



Sailing Instructions

2022 GOVERNOR'S CUP REGATTA

1. Rules

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS").

2. Notices to Competitors

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the northeast-facing wall of the AYC clubhouse, lower level.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

3.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not later than 15 minutes after the conclusion of the Competitors' Briefing or 30 minutes before the first warning signal for the race on Sunday, October 23.

4. Signals Made Ashore

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the AYC flagpole.

4.2 When a signal is displayed over a class flag, it applies to that class only.

4.3 When Code Flag "AP" is displayed ashore, the time of the first warning signal will in no case occur less than 30 minutes after lowering of Code Flag "AP".

4.4 Races for any Class may be canceled on shore by hoisting Code Flags N over A and the Class Flag of the Class whose races are canceled. Hoisting of this Signal will be accompanied with This modifies the RRS Race Signals.

5. Schedule of Races

5.1. The number of races scheduled each day will be solely at the discretion of the race committee. Two races are planned for Saturday. One race is planned for Sunday.

5.2. The Competitor's Briefing will be held on Saturday, October 22 at 1000. Scheduled time for the warning signal for the first race on Saturday is 1100. Subsequent races will be scheduled at the discretion of the Race Committee. No warning signal will be made that day after 1500.

5.3. On Sunday, October 23, the scheduled time for the warning signal for the first race is 1000. Subsequent races will be scheduled at the discretion of the Race Committee. No warning signal will be made that day after 1330.

6. Class Flags, Order of Starts and Splits

6.1. Class flags will be numerical pennants.

6.2. Fleet splits, order of starts, and assigned numerical pennants will be announced at the Competitors' Briefing and posted on the Official Notice Board at AYC.

7. The Courses

7.1. PHRF Keel and Multi-Hull Classes:

7.1.1 On Saturday, the PHRF Keel Classes and the Multi-Hull Classes will sail two races, with the first race starting in the vicinity of the AYC, and shall sail a course using AYC permanent marks or permanent LCRA channel marks up to the vicinity of Lakeway. The order of the marks to be rounded shall be posted for each Class on the RC boat. Marks shall be rounded to port unless underlined. If underlined, they shall be rounded to starboard. . The second race will start in the vicinity of the first race finish and shall sail the reverse course back to the vicinity of the AYC.

7.1.2 On Sunday, the PHRF Keel Classes and the Multi-Hull Classes shall sail courses listed on the current AYC Long Distance Course Card, Effective March 1, 2021. The course for each Class shall be posted on the RC boat.

7.1.3 On Saturday the starting times for each Class for the first race shall be staggered to provide approximately even sailing times and finish times at the Lakeway vicinity. Starting times for the second race on Saturday will be rolling 10-minute intervals with slow boats starting first and faster boats starting last.

8. Marks and Obstructions

8.1. Marks will be a combination of AYC Permanent Marks, Permanent Channel Marks as shown on the AYC Lake Travis Map, temporary Windward and Leeward buoys, and Starting/Finishing Marks.

8.2 For all Classes, the areas between Low Water Hazard buoys in the vicinity of Travis Landing, Arkansas Bend, and Anderson Bend and the corresponding nearby shoreline shall be considered Obstructions. Boats sailing in these areas will be scored DNF.

8.3. The location of the Marks described in Section 7 and 8 are approximate and should not be used for Navigation.

9. The Start

9.1. For all races the starting line will be between a flagstaff flying an orange line flag on the Race Committee boat and a white ball or a mark set bot on its port side in the vicinity of AYC.

9.2. The starting area is the area within 100 yards of the starting line; within this area, boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the line and clear of all boats whose warning signal has been made.

10. Shorten Course

10.1. The Race Committee may shorten a course at any mark of the course in accordance with RRS. If the code flag "S" is displayed at a mark over the Class designation (flag or whiteboard) it applies only to those Classes.

11. The Finish

11.1. The finish line will be between a flagstaff flying a blue flag on an RC boat and the finish mark. The finish mark shall be a white ball buoy. The finish line will be in the vicinity of the temporary Windward mark.

11.2. The time limit for the first finisher in each PHRF Keelboat and Multi-Hull Class shall be four (4) hours. The time limit for the first finisher in each One-Design Class for each race shall be one and a half (1.5) hours. If no boats in the class have completed the course prior to expiration of the respective time limit, the race for that class shall be abandoned.

11.3. Each boat finishing more than one (1) hour in the PHRF Keel and Multi-Hull Classes, and thirty (30) minutes in the One-Design Classes, after the first finishing boat in her respective Class, shall be scored "Did Not Finish". This changes RRS 35 and A4.1. One-Design trailing boats that are delaying the start of the next race may be finished in place provided that the Race Committee can determine that their finishing position would not change. They will be directed by an AYC chase boat to sail directly back to the starting area. This changes RRS 35.

12. Protests

12.1. A boat intending to protest an incident occurring in the racing area shall notify the Race Committee finish boat of her intention to protest, indicating the sail number of the boat(s) being protested and receive oral acknowledgment from the Race Committee. This instruction modifies RRS 61.1(a).

12.2. Written protests shall be filed with a Race Committee representative in the AYC office. Protests shall be filed within 30 minutes of the Race Committee boat's docking signal. Protests will be heard in the approximate order of receipt as soon as reasonably possible.

13. Arbitration

13.1. Appendix T, Arbitration, shall apply.

14. Scoring

14.1. One (1) race shall constitute a regatta.

14.2. Scoring for all Classes shall be as described in the NOR.

14.3. Trophies will be awarded accordingly:

- ★ ≥ 5 participants: 1 trophy
- ★ ≥ 8 participants: 2 trophies
- ★ ≥ 11 participants: 3 trophies

15. Safety

15.1. The level of Lake Travis is still below normal levels. Competitors should exercise caution to avoid shallow water.

15.2. A boat retiring from a race shall notify the RC, in person or on VHF channel 78, before leaving the racing area or as soon as possible. Chase boats monitor VHF 78 for race control and general assistance.

15.3. The sheriff department may monitor VHF channel 16 and can be reached by telephone at 911 for emergencies.

16. Radio Communications

16.1. A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats.

17. Disclaimer of Liability

17.1. Competitors participate in the races entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. This includes, among other risks, those associated with COVID-19, such as the risk of being exposed to or infected by COVID-19, and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. The organizing authority will not accept liability for material damage or personal injury, illness or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the races. To the fullest extent permitted under Texas law, each boat owner, skipper and crew unconditionally and irrevocably releases and discharges the Austin Yacht Club, its Officers, Board of Directors, agents, and all other persons who assist in maintaining equipment or in organizing and/or conducting races, from all claims and legal liability for personal injury, illness, death or property damage incurred in connection with the event.