



2015 Puerto del Rey Sailing Challenge

 PUERTO
DEL REY

Organizing Authority

BORINQUEN ISLANDS SAILING ASSOCIATION (BRISA)

Ceiba & Fajardo, Puerto Rico

March 20, 21 and 22 2015



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

CSA Racing, Melges 32, IC 24, J24, PHRF Jib & Main, PHRF RAYA, Hunter 21.6, and Chalanas

1. RULES

- 1.1 This Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). To the extent permitted by Part 7 of the RRS, specific provisions of the RRS may be modified, altered or made inoperative by the Notice of Race (NOR) or the Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.2 The regatta will use two handicap systems. The CSA handicap system will be used for the CSA Spinnaker Racing Class and any other class that wish to race under this system. Only boats with an official 2015 CSA Certificate will be allowed to race in CSA Classes. Melges 32 shall observe Amendment 2 of the NOR as part of their class rules. Only boats with official 2014/15 US PHRF of SE Florida will be allowed to race in PHRF classes. Certificates may be obtained at www.phrfsef.com

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 ISAF regulation 20.4 applies. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority (OA) in all or any of the races, if applicable.
- 2.2 All competitors agree to the use by BRISA, Puerto del Rey Marina and our sponsors of images, videos or pictures taken during the event.

3. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to Competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Seashore Restaurant in Marina Puerto del Rey.

4. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on yachtscoring.com and on a bulletin board located at the Seashore Restaurant before 0900 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect which will also be posted in yachtsocring.com.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The Race Committee will strive to make back to back races.
- 5.2 Friday, March 20, 2015 at 1330 hours, First Warning Signal for Practice Races for CSA Racing, Melges 32, IC 24 and J24 Classes only, back to back races to follow. Scoring on these races shall not count for the PDR Sailing Challenge Regatta.

5.3 Friday March 20, 2025- 1800 to 2000 at the Seashore Restaurant Puerto Del Rey (Regatta Headquarters): Late Registration for the following classes **ONLY**: CSA Racing, Melges 32, IC 24, J24, PHRF Jib & Main, PHRF RAYA, Hunter 21.6, and Chalanas 24. Skipper's Meeting at 1900, sign waivers and pick up goody bags. A welcome cocktail will begin at 2000 hours.

5.3.1 Saturday, March 21, 2014- First warning signal is scheduled for 1100 hours

5.3.2 No warning signal will be hoisted after 1600 on Saturday, March 21, 2015

5.3.3 Sunday, March 22, 2014- First warning signal is scheduled for 1100 hours.

5.4 Multiple races are scheduled to be raced on these dates as time and weather permits.

5.5 No warning signal will be hoisted after 1400 hours on Sunday 23 March.

6. IDENTIFICATION OF SAILS AND BOATS

6.1 Each boat should provide a clearly visible, unique, unrepeatable form of identification on its sail or hull. In the case of a duplicate number the last boat to be registered should modify his before the first warning signal in order to participate in the races.

6.2 Each boat shall carry its sail number on their mainsail and on all headsails.

7. CLASS FLAGS

Class	Division	Flag	
A	Spineraker Racing A	Green	
B	Spineraker Racing B	Green	
C	Jib & Main A	Purple	
D	Jib & Main B	Purple	
E	Chalanas	Gray	
F	H216	Gray	
G	J-24	Class Flag	
H	IC-24	Class Flag	
I	KISS (RAYA)	Purple	
J	Melges 32	Class Flag	

7.1 Class Colored Flags will be distributed at the Skippers Meeting for each participating boat.

7.2 The decision as to which class a boat races in rests entirely with the Regatta Race Committee, whose decision will be final.

7.3 Except for IC-24, J-24, M32, Hunter 21.6, Class flags shall be conspicuously displayed, at all times while racing, from the backstay no less than two (2) meters above deck.

7.4 Jib & Main Class participants shall use only Dacron sails and shall not use more than one headsail at any time. The use of the spinnaker pole is allowed

7.5 Genoas more than 150% will not be allowed in PHRF Jib & Main and RAYA Classes.

8. RACING AREA

8.1 The racing area will be the waters around Bahia Demajagua or the “Rada de Fajardo”.

9. MARKS

9.1 Marks for courses other than windward/leeward races shall be a combination of inflatable marks, government buoys, cays, and/or Islands

9.2 Marks on windward/leeward courses shall be inflatable marks.

10. THE COURSES

10.1 Appendix 1 describes the order in which all marks or locations are to be passed and which side they are to be left on. The written descriptions shall prevail over the diagrams.

10.2 Competitors assume responsibility for identifying and avoiding navigational hazards.

10.3 All marks are to be left to Port except those of the gate or unless specified in written descriptions.

10.4 The course number designation for the course to be sailed by each class will be posted no later than four (4) minutes before each start for that class by the Race Committee Signal Vessel displaying the designated numeral and or pennant.

11. THE START

11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starboard end starting mark and the port end starting mark.

11.2 Orange Flag (1 min.). To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will start soon, the orange flag(s) on the staff(s) designating the starting line will be displayed (with one sound signal) for at least one (1) minute before a warning signal is displayed.

11.3 The orange flag(s) on the staff(s) designating the starting line will be removed (with no sound signal) when the race management team determines that it will not promptly (usually within five (5) minutes of the prior start) make the warning signal for the next race in a sequence of races.

11.4 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

11.5 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11.6 The starting line is an obstruction while racing.

12. THE FINISH

12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starboard end of the finish line and the port end of the finish mark.

12.2 The finishing line is an obstruction, while racing.

12.3 Boats that have finished shall avoid the finishing area.

13. PENALTIES

- 13.1 For All Classes, RRS 44.1 and RRS 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.
- 13.2 Any boat retiring shall advise the Race Committee at the earliest opportunity. Failure to do so may, following a hearing, result in disqualification from the regatta or such other penalty as the Jury deems equitable.
- 13.3 Except for breaches of Parts 1 and 2 of the RRS, the Jury may apply any penalty that they deem equitable. This changes RRS 64.1.
- 13.4 A boat that does not take a penalty in accordance with RRS 44 may accept a 30% penalty before the protest hearing provided there was no damage and the boat did not gain a significant advantage.

14. TIME LIMIT

- 14.1 For all Windward/Leeward courses the time limit will be (1.5 hours) one hour and thirty minutes.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protest forms will be available from an RC Representative at the Seashore Restaurant at Puerto del Rey.
- 15.2 In addition to the requirements of RRS 61, protesting yachts shall inform the Race Committee Signals Vessel of their intention to file a protest, as soon as it finishes. This changes Rule 60.1.
- 15.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the Race Committee Signal vessel has docked.
- 15.4 Protests will be heard in the order posted, beginning as soon as practical.
- 15.5 On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered in writing:
 - 15.5.1 Within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day.
 - 15.5.2 No later than (30) minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.
- 15.6 On the last day of the regatta all Protest Committee decisions shall be final
- 15.7 No measurement or rating protest may be lodged after the commencement of racing. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

16. SCORING

- 16.1 One race is required to constitute a series.
 - 16.1.1 In the event that between 5 and 10 races inclusive are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her (1) worst score.
 - 16.1.2 In the event that more than 10 races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two (2) worst scores.

17. RADIO COMMUNICATION

17.1 All competing boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of receiving communications from and transmitting communication on VHF Channel 69.

18. SAFETY

18.1 Each boat shall check in with their Race Committee Signal Boat before the first warning signal of each day by sailing on a starboard tack past the stern of the Signal Boat and being acknowledged by a member of the Race Committee.

Failure to properly check in with the Race Committee is subject to protest only by the Race Committee. This changes RRS 60.1 and 60.3

18.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

18.3 While racing and between races, except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make transmissions nor receive communications not available to all boats. This restriction applies, but is not limited to radios and mobile telephones.

18.4 Safety requirements shall be observed in compliance with USCG regulations.

19. CREW SUBSTITUTION

19.1 Crew substitution shall be submitted in writing, with updated Disclaimer and Media Release form to the R.C. prior to racing.

20. PRIZES

20.1 Cash Prizes will be awarded according to the following:

20.1.1 Cash Prizes in CSA Spinnaker Racing will be awarded to the overall winners

20.1.2 Prize Money Distribution:

Class	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
IC-24	\$1,200	\$600	\$300
CSA Spinnaker Overall	\$1,000	\$500	\$250
Melges 32	\$1,000	\$500	\$250
PHRF Jib & Main	\$500	\$200	\$100
PHRF Raya	\$300	\$100	\$50
J-24	\$300	\$100	\$50
Hunter 216	\$300	\$100	\$50
Chalanas 24	\$300	\$100	\$50
Nativos 17	\$300	\$100	\$50
O'day 19	\$300	\$100	\$50
HC 16	\$300	\$100	\$50
Playeros	\$300	\$100	\$50

20.1.3 J24s are excluded from receiving unassigned prize money

20.1.4 Procedures to redistribute any remaining prize money:

- i. 60% Split evenly among the first places in the following classes:
 1. Melges 32
 2. IC24
 3. CSA Racing Overall

- ii. 25% Split evenly among the second places of the following classes:
 1. Melges 32
 2. IC24
 3. CSA Racing Overall

- iii. 15% Split evenly among the third places of the following classes:
 1. Melges 32
 2. IC24
 3. CSA Racing Overall

21. LAUNCHING AND DOCKING

COMPETITORS MUST COORDINATE WITH THE MARINA UPON ARRIVAL. MARINA PUERTO DEL REY WILL ASSIGN A DOCK TO EACH BOAT IN DOCK #51. MOTHERSHIPS WILL ALSO BE ASSIGNED DOCKING. LAUNCHING WILL BE AT THE PUERTO DEL REY LAUNCHING FACILITY.

22. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors agree to be bound by the International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-2016, by the Sailing Instructions, the COLREGS and the Notice of Race. Competitors agree to take any and all responsibility for the nautical qualities of their vessels, the rigging, the crew's ability and the safety equipment. Competitors also agree to take any and all responsibility for damages caused to third persons (bodily injury included but not limited thereto) or their belongings, to themselves (bodily injury included but not limited thereto) or to their belongings, ashore and at sea as a consequence of their participation in the regatta, relieving of any responsibility the Borinquen Islands Sailing Association (BRISA), Marina Puerto del Rey, the Federación de Vela de Puerto Rico (FVPR), and all persons involved in the organization under whatever qualification. Competitors are to be acquainted with ISAF RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone". In any case, competitors agree that BRISA, FVPR, Marina Puerto del Rey, Putnam Bridge Funding, its sponsors and agents, have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to members or others or for the loss of, or damage to any vessel or property. As part of the registration process, each individual participating crewmember will be required to sign a declaration accepting this disclaimer of liability.

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Appendix 1

COURSES

CSA RACING/M32

1. S-M1-F
2. S-M1-M4 (GATE)-M1-F

IC24/J24

1. S-M3-F
2. S-M3-M4 (GATE)-M3-F

HUNTER 21.6/J&M/RAYA/CHALANAS 24/ Nativos 21

1. S-M2-F
2. S-M2-M4 (GATE)-M2-F
3. S-G"1A"-C1-G"3"(STBD)-F
4. S-G"3"-C1-G"3"(STBD)-F
5. S-G"3"-G"1A"-F
6. S-RN4-G3-G"1A" -G3(STBD)-F
7. S-GC"3" (BAJO BLAKE)-F

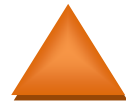
MARKS LEGEND:

-M1 and M2- 5' orange tetrahedral

-M3 5' - Yellow Teardrop

-M4 S/P 4' - Yellow Teardrop

-Start / Finish Pins - 4' Orange Teardrop



M1



M2



M3

M4P



M4s



START



FINISH

