



# 2023 Papa's Pilar Rumgatta 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Event



Tampa Sailing Squadron  
October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Apollo Beach, Florida

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS - Fixed Mark Course

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### 1. RULES

All classes, including Mother Lode will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

### 2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0800 on October 14, 2023 on Yacht Scoring and the Notice Board by the flagpole at TSS.

### 3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

The Race Committee will use VHF Channel 68 to communicate with boats on the water.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located at TSS.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced by 'not less than 45 minutes' in the Race Signal AP. This changes Race Signal AP.

### 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

1225 Warning Signal for Racer Cruiser class

1255 Courtesy Warning Signal for Pursuit Classes (Cruiser, Double-Handed, Mother Lode, Bay Sailors Club)

1300 Pursuit Class start

### 6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1 The Racer Cruiser class flag will be the #1 numeral pennant.

6.2 The Pursuit Class will use the #2 numeral pennant for the first scheduled start.

### 7. COURSES and MARKS

7.1 The courses for Racer Cruiser and Pursuit Classes, along with descriptions of the marks will be available on YachtScoring and at the Competitor's meeting.

7.2 Pursuit start times will be available on YachtScoring and at the Competitor's meeting

### 8. THE START

8.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an **ORANGE** flag on the RC vessel and the starting mark.

8.2 The Pursuit Classes will use their assigned start time.

8.3 For the purposes of the definition of 'racing', each boat's Preparatory Signal shall be deemed to have occurred four (4) minutes prior to their scheduled start.

8.4 Boats not yet in their starting sequence shall stay clear of the starting area.

## 9 RECALLS

9.1 The Pursuit Classes (Cruiser, Double-Handed, Mother Lode, Bay Sailors Club) will use the following system:

- If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, she shall be considered **OCS**.
- She shall not attempt to clear herself by restarting, and Flag 'X' will not be used.
- The Race Committee will attempt to broadcast her sail number on VHF channel 68.

9.2 A Pursuit Class boat that is scored **OCS** shall, without a hearing be penalized by having 5 minutes plus the amount of time that she was over early added to her elapsed time. For the purposes of RRS 28, A4 and A5, a boat so penalized shall be considered to have started properly.

## 10. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a **BLUE** flag on a RC vessel and the finishing mark.

## 11. THE PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS Appendix V1 Alternative Penalties will apply.

## 12. TIME LIMITS

12.1 The time limit for all boats to sail the course and finish is 1630.

12.2 Boats still racing after 1630 will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2.

## 13. HEARING REQUESTS

13.1 A boat intending to protest shall notify the Race Committee of her intentions and the boat(s) to be protested promptly after finishing that race or retirement. This does not change RRS 61.

13.2 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the Race Committee finish vessel docks. The docking time and protest time limit will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

13.3 Hearing Request forms are available at the protest desk in the TSS clubhouse and must be returned within the protest time limit to file a protest.

13.4 Notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

13.5 Protests will be heard in the approximate order of receipt at the location posted.

## 14. SCORING

14.1 Racer Cruiser class will use WFPHRF RLC ratings with Time on Distance calculations.

14.2 WFPHRF RLC ratings and TSS assigned Mother Lode ratings will be used to calculate individual Pursuit start times with Time on Distance calculations.

14.3 If the Pursuit Class course is not shortened, and there no **OCS** boats each boat's score will be the order in which she finishes.

14.4 If the pursuit course is shortened, corrected finish times will be calculated using the shorter course length.

## 15. SAFETY REGULATIONS

15.1 Prior to the warning signal each boat shall check in via radio (VHF Channel 68) with sail number and boat name.

15.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

15.3 The **COLREGS** always apply between boats racing and vessels not racing. A boat shall not obstruct a commercial vessel.

## 16. PRIZES

16.1 Final results will be posted after any protest hearing.

16.2 Prizes will be presented after dinner.