6 th BRISA/MARINA PESCADERIA SAILING RALLY February 24, 25, 26, 2017

Organizing Authority **BRISA Oeste**Puerto Real

Cabo Rojo, PR

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regattas will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017 2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (except as altered by the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and/or any Supplemental Sailing Instructions)
- 1.2 Boats in the PHRF class may sail with two headsails and the use of a spinnaker pole is permitted. Boats in One Design classes can use only one headsail, and the use of a spinnaker pole is not allowed.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the English language and text will take precedence.

2. IDENTIFICATION OF SAILS

2.1 Each boat shall carry a different, clearly visible sail number.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

3.1 The official notice board would be located at the Marina Office entrance.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board before 08:00 of the day it will take effect.
- 4.2 The skippers meeting will be held at 0830 on Saturday.
- 4.3 The warning signal for the first race everyday is scheduled for 1030 hours.
- 4.4 No warning signal will be hoisted after 1600 hours on Saturday, and no warning signal will be hoisted after 1500 hours on Sunday.
- 4.5 Multiple races will be held, as many as possible depending on weather conditions
- 4.6 Multiple classes may be started at the same time.

5. CLASS FLAGS

- 5.1 Class flags will be designated and distributed at the skippers meeting
- 5.2 The decision as to which class a boat races in rests entirely on the Regatta Race Committee, whose decision will be final

- 5.3 In order to constitute a class, a minimum of three boats will be required
- 5.4 Each boat shall display its class flag on the backstay or at the stern rail.

6. RACING AREA

6.1 The racing area will be located southwest of Puerto Real Bay as depicted in attachment 1.

7. THE COURSES

- 7.1 The diagram in Attachment 2 shows the course and the location of the buoys.
- 7.2 Although the RC will attempt to set courses that comply with this illustration, failure to duplicate them precisely shall not be grounds for protests or redress.
- 7.3 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 number on a yellow digital board at the stern of the vessel. This changes RRS 27.1
- 7.4 All marks will be temporary and government buoys.
- 7.5 All buoys will be rounded to port

8. THE START

- 8.1 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least one (1) minute before a warning signal is made.
- 8.2 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made five (5) minutes before the starting signal.
- 8.3 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 5 minutes of the prior start) make the warning signal for the next race in a sequence of races.
- 8.4 The starting line will be between the race committee boat displaying an orange triangle or flag and the course side of a nearby mark.
- 8.5 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 8.6 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS.

9. FINISH

- 9.1 The finish line will be between staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee boat and the course side of a nearby mark.
- 9.2 Finished boats shall remain well clear and shall not interfere of all boats that are still racing.

10. TIME LIMIT

10.1 If no boat has passed his windward mark (M1 or M2 depending on the class) within the windward mark time limit of 30 minutes, the race could be

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- abandoned by the Race Committee. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress.
- 10.2 Boats failing to finish 30 minutes after the first boat in their fleet will be scored DNF (Did Not Finish) without a hearing. This changes RRS35, A4, and A5.

11. PROTEST

- 11.1 Protest shall be written on forms available at the Marina office
- 11.2 Protesting boat shall inform the Race Committee their intention to file a protest as soon as possible after finishing the race. This changes rule 61 RRS.
- 11.3 The protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the RCSV has docked.
- 11.4 Protest notices will be posted on the official notice board as soon as possible to inform competitors involved. The inclusion of a sail number on the notice board shall be considered as notice that a representative should attend a hearing as indicated.

12. SAFETY

- 12.1 Prior to the 1st start of the day each yacht shall sail close to the stern of the Race Committee Signal Vessel, and shall hail her/his name and sail number.
- 12.2 When a competitor leaves the racing area before the end of each racing day, he/she shall notify the race committee or an official boat before retiring.
- 12.3 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability.

13. SCORING

- 13.1 A minimum of one race will constitute a regatta
- 13.2 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race score.
- 13.3 When from 5 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race score excluding her worst (1) score.
- 13.4 When from 10 to 14 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race score excluding her worst two (2) score.
- 13.5 The scoring for this event would be based on a low score system. The PHRF Time on Time system will be used.

14. PRIZES

14.1 Class trophies will be awarded to the first three boats in each class.

15. COMMUNICATION

15.1 The official channel for communications will be VHF 06.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

16.1 Competitors agree to be bound by the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020, by the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race. Competitors agree to take any and all responsibility for the nautical qualities of

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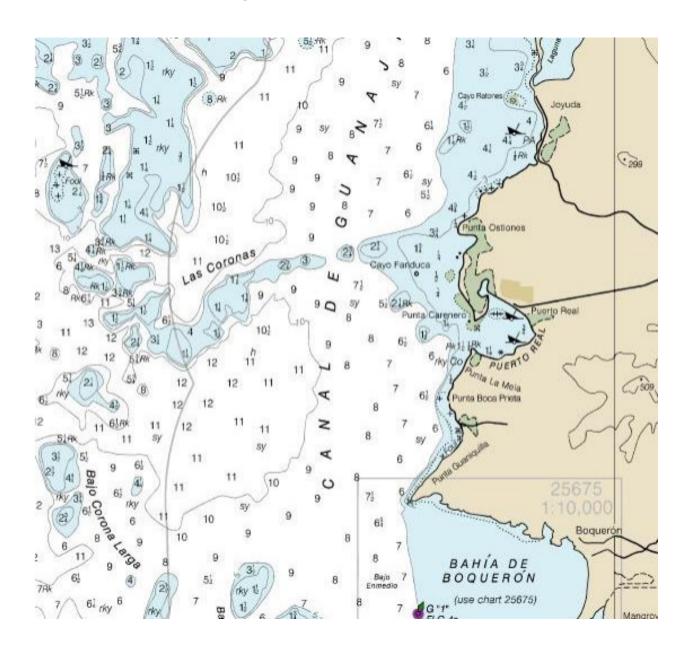
their vessels, the rigging, the crew's ability and the safety equipment. Competitors also agree to take any and all responsibility for damages caused to third persons (bodily injury included but not limited thereto) or their belongings, to themselves (bodily injury included but not limited thereto) or to their belongings, ashore and at sea as a consequence of their participation in the regatta, relieving of any responsibility BRISA Oeste, Marina Pescaderia and all persons involved in the organization under whatever qualification. Competitors are to be acquainted with WS 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 Oeste, Marina Pescaderia, their sponsors and their 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 skipper will be required to sign a declaration accepting this disclaimer of liability.

16.2 All skippers must sign a waiver at the time of registration.

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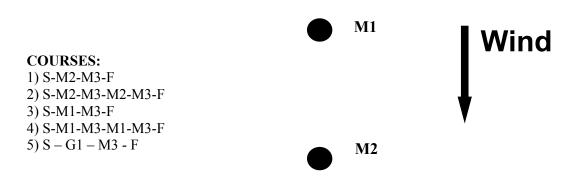
Location of Sailing Area

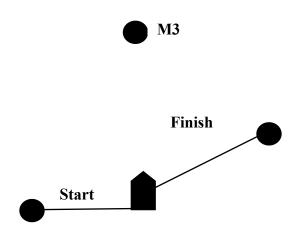
Attachment 1: Sailing Area



Attachment 2: Courses

Course Diagram and Courses





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