



2019 LA REGATA QUE NO IMPORTA  
(A SUPER FUN, LAID-BACK EVENT)

**CORPUS CHRISTI YACHT CLUB**

**June 6-9, 2019**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI's)**

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Corpus Christi Yacht Club (CCYC).

**1. RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 US Sailing Prescriptions V1 will apply.
- 1.3 All competing boats shall carry a handheld VHF radio for safety purposes and Race Committee (RC) communication.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between rules or regulations, other than RRS, the PRO will prevail. This alters RRS 63.7 and a few others.

**2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located upstairs on the Lanai.

**3. CHANGES TO SI's**

Any change to the SI's will be communicated at the daily competitor briefing, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

**4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the CCYC flagpole.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in race signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signals. It takes the PRO 60 minutes to get his act together.

**5. REGISTRATION**

- 5.1 Registration formalities as detailed in the Notice of Race required to be completed by 1800 hours on Thursday June 6.
- 5.2 If a boat has a bow numbers please use them. Bow numbers will not be issued. If you do not have a bow number and are determined to have broken a rule you may be called the white bow or your sail number. There may be more than one white bow.

## **6. SCHEDULE OF RACES**

6.1 Racing is scheduled as follows:

Thursday June 6	1400-1800	Registration upstairs on the Lanai at CCYC
	1800	Welcoming comments and cash bar, Lanai
Friday June 7	0900	Competitors briefing, Lanai
	1100	Warning signal for first race of the day
Saturday June 8	0900	Competitors briefing, Lanai
	1100	Warning signal for first race of the day
Sunday June 9	0900	Competitors briefing, Lanai
	1100	Warning signal for first race of the day
	ASAP	Awards and cash bar, Lanai

6.2 Three (3) races each day are scheduled for Friday and Saturday and two (2) races are scheduled for Sunday. There will be a maximum of eight (8) races.

6.3 When more than one (1) race will be held on the same day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boats that another race will begin soon the RC will announce on the VHF channel 69 the time for the next warning.

6.4 On the final day of the regatta, the initial warning signal for the final race will not be made after 1400 hours. The warning signal for a start following one or more General Recalls may be after 1400.

## **7. CLASS FLAG**

The class flag will be the blue Etchells Class insignia on a white background.

## **8. RACING AREA**

All races will be sailed on Corpus Christi Bay.

## **9. THE COURSES**

9.1 The diagrams in Attachment B show the course configuration, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2 The course to be sailed will be designated by displaying the course number on a board from the RC signal boat no later than the warning signal.

9.3 The RC signal boat may display the approximate compass bearing and distance from the Starting Line to Mark 1.

9.4 When there is a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark. If there is only one leeward mark it shall be left to Port.

## **10. MARKS**

10.1 Mark 1 will be an 8' orange tetrahedron. Mark 2 will be a 5' green tetrahedron. Mark 3 S/P will be 5' orange tetrahedron. Change marks will be the original mark color and size

10.2 The starting and finishing marks will be RC vessels displaying orange line flags.

## **11. THE START**

11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.

11.2 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flag on the RC vessels at

each end of the starting line.

11.3 The RC will attempt to notify OCS boats by bow number or sail number via radio on VHF Channel 69. Failure of equipment, failure to hear a hail, delay in hailing or the order in which hails are given will not be grounds for redress.

## **12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the RC will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the mark (or finishing line) may not yet be in the new position.

12.2 Marks may be moved up to 5 degrees and .2NM without signaling a course change. This changes RRS 33.

## **13. THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between staffs displaying an orange flag on the RC vessels at each end of the line.

## **14. PENALTY SYSTEM**

US Sailing Prescription APPENDIX V1 will apply, as stated in full in Attachment A.

## **15. TIME LIMITS**

Yes, there will be one, for the one who guesses it the PRO will buy them a beer on the Lanai when they are serving free beer. You are in CC bay if the wind is not blowing, we will wait onshore until it does.

## **16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

This is a fun event; we do not even have a protest committee. We may just have a discussion while drinking beer led by a National Judge for information purpose only. Also See SI 14.

## **17. SCORING**

17.1 The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.

17.2 Four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

17.3 When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races scores excluding her worst score.

## **18. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible.

## **19. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

Substitution of crew or equipment will be allowed without the approval of anyone.

## **20. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

None scheduled, just make smart choices.

## **21. CREW WEIGHING**

Not happening this week.

## **22. OFFICIAL BOATS**

Surely you will figure out who they are; there may be a test.

## **23. COACH AND SUPPORT BOATS**

23.1 Will help the RC or any boat in distress and respect all boats racing. Coach and support boats will carry on board, and operate while on the water, a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on VHF Channels 16 and 69, and agree to assist the RC if directed to do so. Please and thank you.

23.2 Support boats may pass equipment and sails to boats in between races.

## **24. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

There are none. Haul at will. **This changes NOR 13.**

## **25. PLASTIC POOLS**

Plastic pools or their equivalent shall only be used to hold ice and adult beverages.

## **26. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Talk all you want. But if you are cussing or upset with the RC, please use another channel.

## **27. PRIZES**

Awards shall be provided to the top five (5) boats in the regatta. Additional prizes at the discretion of the OA (Shannon)....so it could be anything.

## **28. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

28.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. It is the competitor's decision to enter the regatta or to start or continue in any race.

Competitors' attention is drawn to RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rules 4 Decision to Race which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue *racing* is hers alone."

28.2 The OA is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a yacht whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment. The OA will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **29. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

## **30. FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, please contact

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## ATTACHMENT A

The following US Sailing Prescriptions shall apply at the 2019 LA REGATA QUE NO IMPORTA.

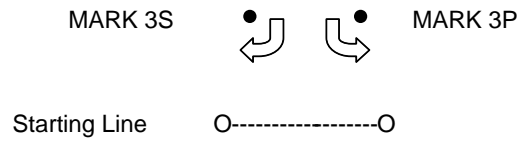
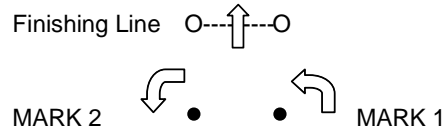
### **Appendix V1 PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT**

The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to read: A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while *racing*. However, when she may have broken one or more rules or Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-turns Penalty.

## ATTACHMENT B

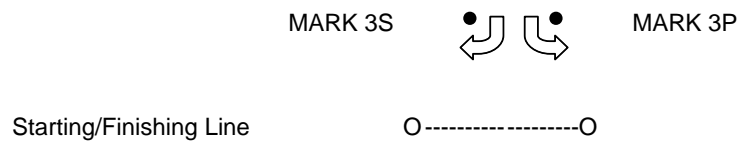
### Course 1

Start – 1 – 2 - 3P/3S – 1 – 2 - 3P/3S – Finish



### Course 2

Start – 1 – 2 – 3P/3S – 1 – 2 – Finish



So, did you read all the SI's of just a few important items?