

**2023 Bill Best Memorial
Night Race
September 23, 2023**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2. Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on Regatta Network: http://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_notice_board.php?regatta_id=23295

3. Signals Made Ashore

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located at the Corpus Christi Yacht Club. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag AP is lowered.

4. Schedule and Class Flags

A competitors' meeting will be held at the Corpus Christi Yacht Club at 1730 hours in the pool area (change to NOR). The warning signal for the first race will be at 1900 hrs. Competitors shall not start before the start time prescribed at the competitors meeting. This is a pursuit race.

5. Racing Area

The racing area will be Corpus Christi Bay.

6. Courses and Marks

The courses will be given at the Skippers Meetings and written on the board at the start line. There will be 2 courses: one for "150 Class" and one for "All Sails". All marks will be permanent bay marks. The bay map has been uploaded to regatta network for viewing. This map is also available online at <http://ccmorf.org/cc-bay-race-marks/> (click on the link to download the pdf)

7. Starting and Finishing Lines

The start and finish line will be the Wednesday Night Start Line. As this is a pursuit race there will be no sound for each boat's respective start unless over early (RRS 29.1 applies and after the boat's initial start time).

8. Time Limit

The time limit for each race will be 3 and one half hours for the first boat to finish. Any boats not finished within 30 minutes of the first boat in their class will be finished in place.

9. Protests

Protests shall be delivered to the Corpus Christi Yacht Club Front Desk within 45 minutes after the last boat finishes. The protest time limit and a list of protests received will be posted on the notice board. Hearings will be held on Sunday.

10. Scoring

One race is scheduled. One race constitutes a series.

11. Race Results

Race results will be posted on Regatta Network:

12. Safety

1. All boats will check in on starboard tack to the RC located at the Wednesday Night starting Box.
2. All boats SHALL have a VHF radio monitoring 16 and 69 along with a working cell phone with the PRO's phone number on hand. PRO will monitor channel 69.
3. All boats SHALL have proper working navigation lights IAW Coast Guard directives.
4. Although YANKEE is not in effect the wearing of personal floatation devices is highly encouraged. The PRO reserves the right to show the Yankee flag prior to the start if weather dictates or as required.
5. Boats withdrawing must check in with the RC either by radio or cell phone and receive confirmation from RC.

13. Awards

Awards shall be given out for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each class. Points from this regatta will count towards Competition/MORF Cup standings.

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