

# 2024 Sunfish Gulf Coast Regional Championship

September 21 & 22, 2024 Organizing Authority: Grand Lagoon YC

10653 Gulf Beach Hwy Pensacola, Florida 32507

# **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

# 1.RULES

**1.1** The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing.

# 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located below the GLYC clubhouse.

# 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions may be changed verbally on the water using loud hailer and VHF Channel 72.

# 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the club's flagpole on the South deck of the Clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal AP.
- **5. SCHEDULE** Continental Breakfast (Coffee/Fruit/Donuts) will be included w/Registration Saturday and Sunday mornings at GLYC Clubhouse from 8 Am to 9:30 AM.

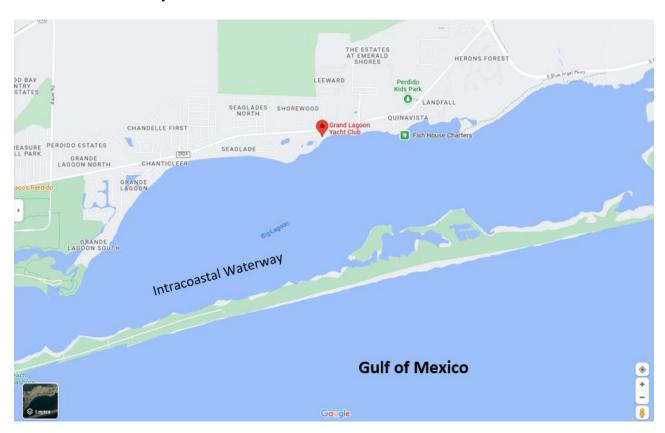
Date	Start
9/21 - Saturday	Competitors Meeting 9:30AM
9/21 - Saturday	First warning 11:00AM
9/22 - Sunday	Competitors Meeting 9:00 AM
9/22 – Sunday	First Warning 10:30 AM



**5.1** When more than one race will be held on the same day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practical.

# 6. CLASS

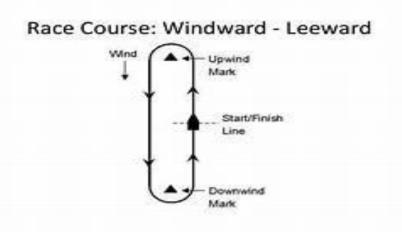
- 6.1 Recognized classes will be Sunfish only.
- **7. RACING AREA** GLYC Racing Area enjoys very flat water and a sea breeze (S-SW) from the Gulf on most days.



# 8. THE COURSES

8.1 Courses will be portable marks, windward-leeward, with or without a leeward gate and/or offset mark. The courses will be clearly displayed on a marker board on the committee boat, and/or by verbally hailing to each competitor. All Race Committee Communication on VHF Channel 72.





8.2 Marker board will show type (WL=windward-leeward), number of legs (1,2 3, etc) and direction of rounding (P=port or S=starboard) plus any exceptional information such as G=leeward gates.

#### 9. MARKS

- 9.1 Portable marks will be drop marks..
- 9.2 The starting and finishing mark will be an orange flag on the committee boat and a green inflatable.

# 10. THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started by using appendix U
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and the starting mark.
- 10.3 A boat starting later than five (5) minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS . This changes RRS A4.1.

### 11. THE FINISH

12.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a committee boat and the finishing mark. The finishing mark may also be the Starting Mark.

# 12. TIME LIMITS

- 13.1Time limits are as follows: Race Time limit (60) minutes; First mark time limit (30) minutes. If no boat has passed the first mark within the first mark time limit the race will be abandoned.
- 13.2 Boats failing to finish within ten minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes RRS 35 and A4.1.

# 14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

**14.1** Protest hearings will be held at GLYC's clubhouse at the convenience of the protest committee and regatta Judges with a one hour time limit after the last boat in the race finishes.



# 15.SCORING

- 15.1 The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply as changed in the NOR.
- 15.2 No race shall be declared official unless three or more entrants come to the starting line.

# 16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

16.1 Competitors are required to wear a suitable personal floatation device (PFD), properly secured at all times while on the water except when temporarily adding or removing clothing.