



2024 EGMONT KEY RACE

November 23, 2024

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including Appendix V2, Penalty Taken After a Race.
- 1.2 To be scored for the Suncoast and DIYC Boat-Of-The-Year series, Spinnaker-A, Spinnaker-B, Multihull, and Racer-Cruiser boats must sail the **Long Course**, and Spinnaker-C and Cruising boats must sail the **Short Course**.
- 1.3 Boats not meeting Category 2 requirements (such as Melges-24s) must sail the **Short Course**.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices will be posted on the official notice board on the lower level on the western wall.
- 2.2 The race committee will use VHF channel 72 to communicate with boats on the water.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 90 minutes before the scheduled warning signal. When flag AP is displayed ashore, changes may be posted before flag AP is removed.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located west of the clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Saturday 1000 Warning signal, **Long Course**
 1200 Warning signal, **Short Course**

6 COURSES AND MARKS

Courses and marks are described in Attachment A.

7 CLASS FLAGS

<u>Course</u>	<u>Divisions</u>	<u>Class Flag</u>	<u>Warning</u>	<u>Start</u>
Long Course	Spin-A, Spin-B, Racer-Cruiser, Multihull	Red flag with white "S"	1000	1005
Short Course	Spin-C, Cruising, Melges-24	Blue flag with white "N"	1200	1205

8 THE START

- 8.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee vessel

and the course side of the starting mark DIYC "C".

- 8.2 Should the wind conditions necessitate a postponement prior to the start, the race committee may move the starting area farther up the course by displaying code flag "L" and motoring towards the next mark. In this case, the starting mark will be either a mark of the course, a nearby government aid, or a drop-mark. Should the race committee pass a mark of the course, that mark is then eliminated from the course.
- 8.3 When an individual recall is signaled, the race committee will attempt to hail the sail numbers of the boats that are OCS. See also SI 15.2.
- 8.4 Boats may not start more than 10 minutes after their starting signal.

10 THE FINISH

- 10.1 The finishing line will be at the entrance to the Seaplane Basin west of the DIYC clubhouse, between the two pilings located on the east and west side of the basin. The areas between the pilings and the shore on both sides are defined as obstructions, and RRS 19 applies.
- 10.2 Should a race be shortened, the finishing line will be between a staff displaying flag-S on a race committee vessel and the course side of the nearby mark. Should a race be shortened at a channel buoy, the finish line will be set up on the side opposite the channel.
- 10.3 Boats are requested to hail the race committee approximately 10 minutes before finishing.
- 10.4 Boats shall be prepared to take their own finishing time (GPS) and report it to the RC.

11 TIME LIMIT

The time limit for all boats is 0700, Sunday, November 24. Boats still racing after the time limit will be scored DNF.

12 SCORING AND PENALTY SYSTEM

The penalties as calculated and rounded in RRS 44.3(c) shall be increased by ½-point. This changes RRS 44.3(c).

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1 Hearing request forms are available from the Fleet Captain's office.
- 13.2 The protest time limit is 0900 on Sunday, November 24.
- 13.3 Protest hearings will be scheduled by the Chief Judge.

14 SAFETY

- 14.1 A boat that retires from the racing area shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. If they cannot be reached on VHF 72, call Stephen Young at 813-493-3363.
- 14.2 The COLREGs always apply between boats racing and vessels not racing. A boat shall not obstruct a commercial vessel.

15 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 15.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall neither make nor receive voice or data transmissions not available to all boats.
- 15.2 Race committee broadcasts concerning its intention, the course to be sailed, starting times, course changes, recalls, etc. are a courtesy only. Failure of the race committee to make a broadcast, the timing of a broadcast, or the failure of a boat to hear a broadcast will not be considered an improper action or omission under RRS 62.1(a).

Attachment A

Long Course / 63.24-nm

Mark	Chart Description	Rounding/Passing	Approx. Location
Start	DIYC "C"	Start	N27° 52.83' / W82° 26.68'
Big Bend Channel, front range	QR 25-ft	Round to starboard	N27° 48.70' / W82° 27.63'
Skyway	Big bridge	Pass through center 3-spans	N27° 37.23' / W82° 39.33'
Egmont Channel, R "20"	Fl R 6s	Round to starboard	N27° 36.18' / W82° 44.33'
Egmont Channel, R "14"	Fl R 2.5s	Round to port	N27° 36.47' / W82° 48.71'
Southwest Channel, G "1"	Fl G 2.5s bell	Round to port	N27° 32.33' / W82° 48.60'
Southwest Channel, "2"	Fl R 2.5s 16-ft	Pass to starboard	N27° 33.44' / W82° 46.09'
Skyway	Big bridge	Pass through center 3-spans	N27° 37.23' / W82° 39.33'
Big Bend Channel, front range	QR 25-ft	Round to port	N27° 48.70' / W82° 27.63'
Finish	DIYC Basin	Finish	N27° 54.50' / W82° 27.18'

Short Course / 35.15-nm

Mark	Chart Description	Rounding/Passing	Approx. Location
Start	DIYC "C"	Start	N27° 52.83' / W82° 26.68'
Big Bend channel, front range	QR 25-ft	Round to starboard	N27° 48.70' / W82° 27.63'
Tall "J" back range	Iso W 6s 50-ft	Round to port	N27° 45.05' / W82° 34.33'
Tall "C" back range	Iso R 6s 56-ft	Round to port	N27° 39.80' / W82° 37.18'
Big Bend Channel, front range	QR 25-ft	Round to port	N27° 48.70' / W82° 27.63'
Finish	DIYC Basin	Finish	N27° 54.50' / W82° 27.18'