

# ST. JOHN YACHT CLUB

*U.S. Virgin Islands*

## Latapa Plage Sailing Instructions

February 16, 2025

### Rules:

The regatta shall be run under the jurisdiction of the Race Committee of the St. John Yacht Club, and shall be conducted as follows:

The US Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2025 - 2028 shall apply except as modified by these sailing instructions.

- Class A (Non Spinnaker) will be scored using PHRF Handicap Rule using time on time.
- Class B (Spinnaker) will be scored using PHRF Handicap Rule using time on time.
- Class C (Multihull/Foiling)

### Responsibilities (see entry form)

#### Entry Fees

There shall be an entry fee of \$50.00 payable online only

### Classes

Classes will be divided and placed in the following divisions:

- Non Spinnaker Racing
- Spinnaker Racing
- Multihull

Boats in Non-Spinnaker may set more than one sail forward of the mast. Light racing sails and spinnakers are NOT allowed. All sails must be usable when sailing to weather.

Leeward mark will be an orange inflatable mark set 1/4 to 1/2 mile to windward of start. Course to be sailed will be announced on VHF ch 06 before each start and displayed on the committee boat. Committee boat, Safety boat, and launch will all monitor VHF ch 06

**Course 1** Start off Two Brothers between committee boat and inflatable mark. Round JR1 to port. Round leeward mark to port. Round Rata Rocks to port. Finish between committee boat and inflatable mark.

#### Course 2

Start off Two Brothers between committee boat and inflatable mark. Round Henley Cay to port. Round leeward mark to port. Round Rata Rocks to port and finish between committee boat and inflatable mark.

**Course 3** Start off Two Brothers between committee boat and inflatable mark. Round Rata Rocks to port. Round leeward mark to port. Round Rata Rocks to port and finish between committee boat and inflatable mark.

**Course 4** Start off Two Brothers between committee boat and inflatable mark. JR1 to port and finish between committee boat and inflatable mark.

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**Course 5** Start off Two Brothers between committee boat and inflatable mark. JR 1 to Port. Round Rata Rocks to port. Round JR1 to port and finish between committee boat and inflatable mark.

The committee may choose to shorten the course at any mark by displaying code flag "s" at the chosen mark from an official boat. Instructions will be given verbally from the official boat and on VHF channel 06.

## **Start Times**

Starts are governed by the class and signal for each class.

Approximate First Race Start Times are:

Class A (Non-Spinnaker) 10:00AM

Class B (Spinnaker) 10:05AM

Class C Multihull/Foiling 10:10AM

## **Starting Procedures:**

Class Signal Flag & Sound Minutes before start

All Classes Warning Signal Class Flag (A,B,C) and current course flag, 1 sound 5 minutes

Preparatory Signal P Flag, 1 sound 4 minutes

One Minute P Flag removed, 1 sound 1 minute

Starting Class Flag removed, 1 sound 0 minute

The warning signal for each succeeding class shall be made with or after the starting signal of the preceding class. Subsequent races will be announced on VHF ch 06 and posted on the committee boat

If the India Flag is hoisted prior to the Preparatory Flag, Round the End Rule (30.1) is in effect.

## **Recalls:**

Individual Recall will be in accordance with RRS 29.1 (Individual Recall) with one signal and display the Code Flag "X". It shall be the responsibility of each entrant to start correctly.

General Recalls will be in accordance with RRS 29.2 (General Recall) with two signal sounds and display of Code Flag "First Substitute". The warning signal for the recalled class will be made one minute after the First Substitute is removed (one sound) and the starts for any succeeding classes shall follow the new start.

## **Alternative Penalties:**

Prior to the start – one turn penalty shall apply (360 degree).

After the start – Rule 44.1 and 44.2 shall apply (720 degree).

Competitor's attention is directed to Rule 31 (touching the mark).

## **Protests**

Protests shall be in writing in accordance with Rule 60 and 61 and must be handed to the Race Committee no later than 1 hour after the protesting yacht has finished. It is the responsibility of the protesting yacht to cite the specific rule or rules infringed and clearly describe the facts surrounding the infraction. The protesting yacht shall always notify the protested boat at the first reasonable opportunity (Rule 61)