# St. John Yacht Club Around St John Race Sailing Instructions March 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) will be scored using the Portsmouth handicap system.

Responsibilities: All boats must enter online at Regattanetwork.com

**Entry Fees** 

There shall be an entry fee of \$60.00 payable online only at stjohnyachtclub.org.

## 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.

NOTE: BVI Territorial waters are considered a mark of all courses and should not be entered

## Full Courses Class A and B and multihull:

Black course: a black flag will be displayed on the committee boat

Start off at Two Brothers between committee boat and inflatable mark. Round the inflatable mark 1/4 mile to windward of committee boat to starboard. Leave the red government mark off Moravian point to port. Proceed around St John leaving Leduck island to starboard. Leave BVI Territorial waters to starboard. Leave JR1to port and finish off Gallows Point between committee boat and inflatable mark.

White course: a white flag will be displayed on the committee boat

Start off at Two Brothers between the committee boat and inflatable mark. Leave JR1 to starboard. Proceed around St John leaving BVI territorial waters to port. Leave Leduck island to port. Leave the red government marker off Moravian point to starboard and finish off Gallows Point between committee boat and inflatable mark.

**Shortened Course** All Classes Code Flag "S" will be hoisted from committee boat prior to warning signal. Start off at Two Brothers between committee boat and inflatable mark. Round Henley cay to port. Round Two Brothers rocks to port. Round Rata rocks to port. Round Two Brothers rocks to Port. Round Stevens Cay to port. Finish off Gallows Point between committee boat and inflatable mark. Length of course –8 miles

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

Time Limit: boats not finishing before 1330hrs should take their own time when transiting the finish

**Start Times** 

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

Approximate Start Times are:

Class A (Non-Spinnaker) 09:00AM

Class B (Spinnaker) 09:05AM

Class C Multihull 09:10AM

**Starting Procedures:** 

Class Signal Flag & Sound Minutes before start All Classes Warning Signal Class Flag (A,B,C), 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.

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 of 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).

## **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 infracted and clearly describe the facts surrounding the infraction.he protesting yacht shall always notify the protested boat at the first reasonable opportunity (Rule 61).

# **Radio Contact**

All yachts should monitor VHF channel 06, which will be monitored by the committee boat. After the race, VHF channel 06 and 09 for launch service.

Questions? Call Dane Tarr 954-629-7237 or Scott Barnett at 340-626-0702