

TAMPA BAY TO FT. MYERS RACE

Notice of Race-**Revised 4/18/17**

May 25th – 27th, 2017

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Organizing Authority will be the Davis Island Yacht Club.
- 1.2 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.3 WFPHRF Class Rules may be found at www.westfloridaphrf.org

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 Open to any single hulled, self-righting, enclosed cabin sailing boat that holds a current, valid WFPHRF rating and to all offshore multihull yachts that have a current, valid WFPHRF rating.
- 2.2 Boats shall have a maximum WFPHRF OWC rating of 261 secs/mile.
- 2.3 Owner and/or skipper shall be a member of a yacht club, sailing club, or sailing association affiliated with the US Sailing Association. The term “skipper” means the person, whether or not the owner of the boat, who is designated on the entry form as “skipper”, who is in charge of the boat and will be responsible for its handling and safety, the conduct of its crew while ashore as a guest of any host yacht club, sailing association, sailing club or any participating commercial facilities, and shall be responsible for compliance with the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.
- 2.4 All boats shall carry a workable VHF radio capable of receiving and transmitting on channels 16 and 72, and receiving weather broadcasts. A mobile phone is also recommended on each boat.
- 2.5 The minimum crew, including the skipper, shall be two (2) persons.
- 2.6 True Cruiser entrants intending to use a spinnaker or a “cruising spinnaker” under the provisions of the WFPHRF Class Rules shall notify the race committee in writing of their intention before the applicable Skippers Meeting. If notice is not given, the default for Cruising class will be non-spinnaker. Cruising boats electing to use a spinnaker will have their OWC rating adjusted by the non-spinnaker offset.

3. ENTRIES AND FEES

- 3.1 Entries shall be made by completing the Official Entry Form, accompanied by an exact copy of the boat’s valid WFPHRF Rating Certificate along with the entry fee.
- 3.2 The entry fee is sixty five dollars (\$65.00) Entry fees are non-refundable.
- 3.3 For rating information, contact West Florida PHRF, Phone (727) 462-0450 or administrator@westfloridaphrf.org

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 The applicable Sailing Instructions will be transmitted to all accepted entries by email or will be available at the Competitors’ Meeting. They will also be available on www.diy.org.

5. REGISTRATION, CREW LIST AND SKIPPERS MEETING

- 5.1 Participants may register online at diy.org, by mailing the entry fee along with an entry form to c/o Fleet Captain at 1315 Severn Ave., Tampa, FL. 33606, or prior to the Skipper’s Meeting on May 25, 2017.
- 5.2 The Competitors’ Meeting will be at Davis Island Yacht Club on May 25, 2017 at 1900.

6. CLASSES AND DIVISIONS

- 6.1 Minimum of two (2) boats make a class.
- 6.2 Classes are: WFPHRF Spinnaker, WFPHRF Non-Spinnaker, WFPHRF Cruising, WFPHRF Racer/Cruiser, and WFPHRF Multi-hull as defined in the WFPHRF Class Rules. Further division of classes may be dictated by the number of entries received.

- 6.3 Divisions will be assigned based on a combination of rating, displacement, and sailing characteristics of each boat. An attempt will be made to follow boat of the year divisions.

7. START

- 7.1 The first Warning Signal for the Tampa Bay to Ft Myers WFPHRF Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker, Cruising, Racer/Cruiser and Multihull divisions will be 0955 on Friday, May 26, 2017.
- 7.2 The first Warning Signal for the Sarasota Multihull and Monohull start will be 1200 on Friday May 26, 2017.

8. COURSES

- 8.1 The Tampa Bay to Ft Myers race shall begin adjacent to "Big J" ISO 6s 50ft, Fl 4s - in the vicinity of St. Petersburg Pier and the finish will be at San Carlos Bay – Mo (A) 16ft. 7M "SC".
- 8.2 The Sarasota to Ft Myers start will be in the vicinity of New Pass and finish at San Carlos Bay – Mo (A) 16ft. 7M "SC". Multihulls starting from Sarasota will sail an alternative course the same approximate distance as the Tampa Bay start. Monohulls starting from Sarasota will sail a shorter course.

9. SCORING

- 9.1 Corrected times will be calculated using time on distance on the boats WFPHRF "OWC" rating.

10. TIME LIMITS

- 10.1 Boats still racing after 2400 on Saturday, May 27, 2017 shall be scored DID NOT FINISH.

11. AWARDS and PRESENTATION

- 11.1 Trophies will be awarded based on the number of entries in each division as follows: The number of trophies for each class will be based on the number of boats participating in that class up to a maximum of three trophies per class.

Number of Boats	Number of Trophies
1-3	1
4-5	2
>5	3

- 11.2 OH Rodgers has donated a perpetual Navigator Trophy to be awarded to the first boat to finish, elapsed time. Only multihulls and monohulls racing the Tampa Bay to Ft Myers Beach start are eligible to compete for this award.
- 11.3 The awards party will be held at Bonita Bill's Café 702 Fisherman's Wharf Ft Myers Beach Saturday May 27, 2017 at 1500.

12. DOCKAGE

- 12.1 Prior to the race, vessels may contact Davis Island Yacht Club for dockage up to one week prior to the race. Fees may apply beyond reciprocal privileges.
- 12.2 Vessels are required to make their own accommodations prior to the start of the Race. Commercial dockage in Ft. Myers, includes: Moss Marine, 450 Harbor Court, Ft. Myers Beach, Florida, 239-463-6137; Salty Sam's Marina, 2500 Main Street, Ft. Myers Beach, Florida, 239-463-7333; Ft. Myers Beach Marina, 703 Fisherman's Wharf, Ft. Myers Beach, Florida, 239-463-9552.

13. OTHER INFORMATION

- 13.1 Competitors compete in the regatta at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, host clubs, sponsors, their associates and appointees will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

13.2 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM: Brent Bacon brent@nocabz.com
813-363-6935 or Kelly Ferro kellyferro@gmail.com 727-242-4245