

2023-24 NOTICE OF RACE



This document, combined with each respective event's Supplemental Notice of Race, comprises that event's Notice of Race required by RRS 89.2(a).

1 RULES



1.1 The Southern Ocean Racing Conference is the Race Committee for each race, which is organized under the authority of one or more member yacht clubs, including the Coral Reef Yacht Club, the Lauderdale Yacht Club, the Storm Trysail Club, and the Nassau Yacht Club.



1.2 Each race will be governed by the rules defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (Rules, RRS) including the class rules of the respective classes involved.

1.3 Each race and related activities will be run in accordance with health and safety regulations of any governmental authority with jurisdiction.

1.4 From sunset to sunrise, Part 2 of the Rules shall not apply and shall be replaced by Part B, The Steering and Sailing Rules, of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREGS).

CLUBS



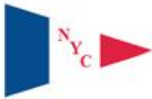
1.5 For each event, the terms "Notice of Race" (NOR) and "Sailing Instructions" (SI) required by RRS 89.2(a) and 90.2(a) respectively include the Master and Supplemental versions of those documents, as well as any amendments thereto.

1.6 In case of conflict between the NOR and the Sailing Instructions (SIs), the SIs shall prevail. (This changes rule 63.7.)



1.7 A boat may carry one more spinnaker than shown on her current rating certificate of area not greater than rated SPA without an increase in rating.

1.8 Ship's AIS Transponder required, consistent with SER 3.9.



1.9 Advertising shall be per ISAF Regulation 20.

1.10 Individual races may require individual transponders for each crew member.



2 ELIGIBILITY

2.1 Each race is open to ocean racing/cruising monohull and multihull boats of the following classes whose owner is a member of his/her national authority and who comply with the requirements of the following classes:

2.1.1 Offshore Racing Congress (ORC), boats with an offshore long distance Time on Time rating factor of 0.880 and higher.

2.1.2 Double-handed boats meeting the listed safety requirements.

2.1.3 Multihull Offshore Cruising and Racing Association (MOCRA) boats of ocean racing/cruising type with enclosed cabins, and permanent accommodations. The Race Committee reserves

PARTNERS



the right to reject any entry that does not comply with its definition of an "ocean racing/cruising type" Multihull boat.

2.2 Prior to the Early Entry Deadline, the race committee may create a new class when five or more boats so request, or reassign registered boats to other classes if at least five boats have not registered.

2.3 Boats must meet at least one of the following to be eligible:

2.3.1 Has a minimum Stability Index of 103.

2.3.2 Is a true sister ship of a boat in the US Sailing IMS Master File with a Stability Factor of at least 103.

2.3.3 Meets the requirements of ISO 12217-2B.

3 CREW LIMITS

3.1 Crew Limits for the following classes are:

3.1.1 ORC: Crew weight limits are shown on rating certificates. To change the weight limit from the default value, contact the national rating authority for a certificate issued with the declared weight limit.

3.1.2 Offshore One Design Classes: class limit plus one.

3.2 Except for Doublehanded classes, all boats shall carry a minimum crew of 4 (four). Each race may allow lower limits in its Supplemental NOR.

4 ENTRY

4.1 Boats may enter a race registering on the race web site www.sorcsailing.org.

4.2 Entry Deadlines are described in each race's Supplemental NOR.

4.3 Each boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$500,000 USD or the equivalent.

4.4 A boat shall submit her final rating certificate no later than the Entry Deadline. Ratings and preliminary class assignments will be posted on each race's web site and Official Notice Board prior to the Skippers Meeting.

5 ENTRY FEES

5.1 Entry Fees will be described in each race's Supplemental NOR.

5.2 Entry Fees are fully refundable until each race's Entry Deadline, which has been extended to the latest date possible for the effective organization of each race.

6 SCHEDULE

St. Pete to Fort Lauderdale Race	November 8, 2023
Nassau Cup Ocean Race	January 11, 2024
Fort Lauderdale to Key West Race	February 22, 2024

Note: SORC serves as the Race Committee for the Wirth Munroe (Palm Beach) Race on December 1, 2023, but this event has a separate OA with separate race documents.

7 COURSES

Courses will be summarized in each race's Supplemental NOR and described in its SIs.

8 SAFETY

- 8.1 Each race's Supplemental NOR contains important safety rules.
- 8.2 Each boat shall have non-electronic charts that are appropriate for the race area.
- 8.3 The Race Committee may inspect any boat for compliance with this section without prior warning before the start or after the finish.

9 AWARDS PARTY

Locations and details for awards parties will be described in each race's Supplemental NOR.

10 SCORING AND TIME ALLOWANCES

- 10.1 The Low Point Scoring System as described in Appendix "A" will be used.
- 10.2 The course distance for rating purposes will be described in each race's Supplemental NOR.
- 10.3 For all other classes, a boat's rating allowance will be applied as a factor of the elapsed time of its race.

11 RACE TRACKING DEVICES

- 11.1 In addition to any other device required in each race's Safety Regulations, each boat shall be equipped with an active SPOT or Garmin/InReach position transponder, be subscribed to the "Track Progress" option offered by SPOT or Garmin/InReach, and to provide the Race Committee with the "shared URL" for the purpose of inclusion in the official race tracking program.
- 11.2 The tracking unit shall be mounted and operated throughout the race in accordance with the instructions provided. Only the race committee may protest a boat for an alleged violation of this section.
- 11.3 SPOT or Garmin/InReach tracking data may not be used as grounds for a protest.

12 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 12.1 Sailing Instructions for each race shall be posted no later than one week prior to the start of the race.
- 12.2 Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be accompanied by Code Flag "L" at the Skipper Meeting venue and posted to the Official Notice Board.

13 SKIPPERS MEETING

- 13.1 A representative of each boat shall attend the Skippers Meeting for each race.
- 13.2 Each boat shall be required to complete and submit to the Race Committee at the Skippers Meeting an accurate crew list, required waiver(s) and equipment declaration form in exchange for their race packet.

2024 NASSAU CUP NOTICE OF RACE (SUPPLEMENTAL)

This document, combined with the SORC Master Notice of Race, comprises the Notice of Race for the Nassau Cup Ocean Race. Numbered sections in this document are supplements to, not replacements for, equivalently numbered sections in the Master NOR.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Nassau Yacht Club, under the jurisdiction of the Bahamas Sailing Association (BSA), is the Organizing Authority for the Nassau Cup Ocean Race. The race is managed by the Southern Ocean Racing Conference (SORC).
- 1.2 Only U.S. Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 61.4, 67, 70.5(a), and 76.1 apply.
- 1.10 Personal AIS transponders are required for each crewmember.

2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.3 Boats must have a minimum LOA of 27 feet.

4 ENTRY

- 4.2 The Entry Deadline is 1800 hours Friday, January 5, 2024 . The Early Entry Deadline is 1800 hours December 31, 2023.
- 4.6 Entries may be completed online by going to www.sorcsailing.org, or the official entry form can be downloaded, completed and mailed with a check made out to SORC Inc. to: Nassau Cup Race c/o Coral Reef Yacht Club, 2484 S. Bayshore Drive Coconut Grove, FL, 33133.

5 ENTRY FEES

- 5.1 The Entry Fee is \$575. Boats entering by the Early Entry Deadline may pay a discounted entry fee of \$475.

6 SCHEDULE

Early Entry Deadline	December 31, 2023	1800 hrs
Entry Deadline	January 5, 2024	1800 hrs
Preliminary Class Assignments posted	January 1, 2024	1200 hrs
Class Assignments final	January 5, 2024	1700 hrs
Skippers Meeting	TBA	1800 hrs
First Warning Signal	January 11, 2024	1100 hrs

7 COURSE

- 7.1 The course shall be from the Start Line northeast of the Miami Harbor entrance (Government Cut), to the Finish Line at the northwest entrance of Nassau Harbour, leaving Great Isaac (including Northeast Rock and East Brother), and Great Stirrup to Starboard.

8 SAFETY

- 8.1 All boats must conform to the current US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SER) for Ocean Racing with the following changes or additions:
- 8.1.1 Engine and Fuel (SER 2.7.1): SER 2.7.1 is amended as follows:
 - 8.1.2 A boat shall have a mechanical propulsion system that is quickly available and capable of driving the boat at a minimum speed in knots equivalent to the square root of LWL in feet (1.81 times the square root of the waterline in meters) with sufficient fuel to provide range under power for 75 miles.
 - 8.1.3 Operative VHF/FM transceiver with Channels 9, 16, 68, 71 and 72. (DSC and GMDSS equipped and MMSI registered VHF radios are required per SER 3.8.1 and 3.8.2.)
 - 8.1.4 Ship's AIS Transponder required, consistent with SER 3.9.
 - 8.1.5 Life raft need not have a canopy or insulated floor

9 AWARDS PARTY

- 9.1 The Awards Party is scheduled for 1800 hrs, Saturday, January 13, 2024, at the Nassau Yacht Club.

12 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 12.1 Changes or addenda to this Notice of Race or to the Sailing Instructions shall be posted on the official Yachtscoring.com page for the race.
- 12.2 Any amendment to the Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions will be posted no later than 2000 hours on the day prior to the race.

13 SKIPPERS MEETING

- 13.1 The Skippers Meeting is to be announced.

14 PRIZES

14.2 Perpetual Trophies will be awarded as follows:

The Coral Harbour Yacht Club Trophy for the first monohull boat to finish.

The Nassau Cup will be awarded to first place corrected time in the largest division.

The Arthur Bosworth Trophy will be awarded to first place corrected time in the ORC division.

The 'Half Hull' Perpetual will be awarded to the best performance by a Bahamian boat.

For More Information:

www.sorcsailing.org

<https://www.facebook.com/sorcsailing>

Carol Ewing, Race Chairman

chair@nassaucuprace.org

305-785-4777

14 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows: 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place finishers in each division/class, provided at least five entries per division/class. Additional prizes may be awarded.

15 OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE

While racing, boats may not receive weather, current, or navigational information except from published sources available to all competitors. Subscription, password protected or restricted access web pages, as well as phone conversations and text messages that contain any of the above information, are not allowed. Accessing other information during the race will be considered a violation of RRS 41.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event, including skippers and crew, are participating entirely at their own risk. (See Rule 3, Decision to Race). The Organizing Authority and Race Committee, sponsors, or any other organization or official will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the race.

--