



Spanish Virgins 100

June 30–July 1, 2018

Organizing Authority

BORINQUEN ISLANDS SAILING ASSOCIATION, INC (BRISA)

Host

Puerto del Rey Marina

Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

- 1.1 This Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). To the extent permitted by Part 7 of the RRS, specific provisions of the RRS may be modified, altered or made inoperative by the Notice of Race (NOR) or the Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.2 Rules of CSA and PHRF rating will apply, except as modified, altered or made inoperative by the NOR or the SI, to the extent permitted by such class rules.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notice to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board will be online at the event website on www.yachtscoring.com

3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTION

- 3.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0800 hours of the day it will take effect, except that any changes to the schedule will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at la Cueva del Mar at PDR.
- 4.2 If the AP flag is displayed ashore, when it is dropped, no race will begin for at least 30 minutes.

5. SKIPPERS MEETING

5.1 Skippers Meeting and Full Moon Party Happy Hour will be at La Cueva del Mar, Puerto del Rey Marina on Friday, June 29, 2018 from 1900-2100hrs

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Saturday June 30, 2018

6.2 The warning signal for PHRF Cruising will be at 1500hrs Saturday June 30, 2018

6.3 The warning signal for CSA Racing will be at 1700hrs Saturday June 30, 2018.

7. CLASSES

7.1 There will be two classes: CSA Racing and PHRF (South Florida) Cruising.

8. VENUE

8.1 The venue of this event is the Navigational Waters of the Atlantic Ocean and the Caribbean Sea around Puerto Rico, the Rada de Fajardo, the Pasaje the Vieques and adjacent waters. Vessels should not sail beyond the 3 NM demarcation line

9. FLEET TRACKING

9.1 The Person in Charge/Owner is responsible for registering in the **Race Q** web site for this race and shall maintain the system operational during the start Sequence, during the race, and up to the Finish. This system will locate each boat by GPS and will show the whole fleet as it races the course.

10. THE COURSES

10.1 The course description in Appendix A will be sailed at the discretion of the RC.

11. MARKS

11.1 All the marks for the race series are as described :

11.1.1 All marks are navigational buoys, reefs, cays, islands and orange or yellow starting buoy.

12. THE STARTS

12.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starboard end of the starting line and the port end starting mark.

12.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

12.3 **The starting sequence will be THREE (3) MINUTES. This changes Rule 26.**

12.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will start soon, the Race Committee will sound the horn several times before starting a sequence.

12.5 A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

13. THE FINISH

- 13.1 For all courses, the finish line will be the end of dock 14 and the entrance marker to the turning basin at Puerto Del Rey Marina.
 - 13.2 Boats that have already finished shall avoid the finishing area.
 - 13.3 As the boats are approaching the finish at Puerto Del Rey they are advised to call 787-638-4878 (David Kerr) so the RC can be on station to record your finish.
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14. PROTEST AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Protest shall be written on forms available at La Cueva del Mar.
- 14.2 In addition to the requirements of RRS 61, protesting yacht shall inform the RCSV of their intention to file protest, as soon as reasonably possible after finishing the race. This changes rule 61 RRS.
- 14.3 The Protest Time Limit is until 1500hrs Sunday July 1, 2018.
- 14.4 A notice will be posted on the Official Notice Board as soon as possible indicating the time when Protest Time started and the time when it will end for each course and class.
- 14.5 Protest notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board as soon as possible to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. The inclusion of a sail number of a boat on the Official Notice Board shall be considered as notice that a representative should attend a hearing as indicated.
- 14.6 Protest will be heard in approximately the order they were received, beginning as soon as practical.

15. SCORING

- 15.1 A minimum of one (1) race leg will constitute a regatta.
- 15.2 The Low Point System (A4) will apply.

16. NAVIGATION CHARTS AND SAFETY PLANS

- 16.1 15.1 Entering yachts are encouraged to carry on board a current copy of NOAA charts 25663, 25667, MUST BECOME FAMILIAR WITH LOCAL SHOAL, REEF AND CHANNELS.
- 16.2 In accordance with the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (Rule 46), a boat shall have on board a Person in Charge. The safety of a boat and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Person in Charge. Fundamental rule 4 in the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing, states: "DECISION TO RACE: The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

- 16.3 Person in Charge/Boat Owners must ensure compliance with all Federal and local statutory and regulatory Safety Equipment Requirements. All safety equipment must be USCG or UL approved.
- 16.4 The Person in Charge/Owner shall do his best to ensure that the boat is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced and appropriately trained crew who are physically fit to face bad weather. The person in charge shall also assign a person to take over his responsibilities in the event of his incapacitation.
- 16.5 Upon registration through www.yachtschoring.com, Boat Owners/Persons in Charge are responsible to provide their crew lists in this website. All boats shall provide a complete crew who will be aboard the yacht during the race. Any changes to this crew list up to the start of the race must be given to the Race Committee prior to starting the race. Also, yachts are expected to advise the Race Committee via VHF radio the morning of the race should they have any crew changes.
- 16.6 The Person in Charge/Owner is responsible for having a current, valid CSA Rating or handicap and ensuring that the yacht is sailed in the race as specified in the rating certificate. Any change to the rating subsequent to submitting this entry form is to be reported to the Organizing Authority prior to 3 June 2018.
- 16.7 **MEDICAL EMERGENCIES:** Although this is a coastal race the separation between ports in the route requires that each boat prepares a medical evacuation plan depending on the seriousness of the injury or disease potentially suffered. Skippers/Persons in Charge/Owners are responsible to make such plans and coordinate evacuations. Threatening life illnesses or accidents require immediate rescue by the U.S. Coast Guard, for which the boat must be ready to communicate the boat's coordinates for the rescue.
- 16.8 Injuries occurring close to Ports or Marinas must be handled by 9-1-1. In such events determine the optimal rendezvous locations for emergency transfers. Any serious injury requiring evacuation during Start Sequences shall be notified to the RCSV. Head injuries should receive immediate medical attention and the injured should not return to the water until they have been evaluated by a medical professional.

17. COMMUNICATIONS

- 17.1 All vessels shall have VHF on Channel 6.

18. PRIZES

- 18.1 Class trophies will be awarded to the first three boats in each division.
- 18.2 The award ceremony will be held on Sunday July 1, 2018 at La Cueva del Mar at 1700hrs.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participating in the regatta are entirely at their own risk. Competitors agree to be bound by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), particularly World Sailing (WS)

Organization's Special Regulations for Offshore Racing, for Category 3, Monohulls, 2018-2019, by Sailing Instruction (SI), the Notice of Race (NOR) and any additional information to the SI or to the NOR. Competitors agree to take any responsibility for nautical qualities of their yacht, the rigging, the crew ability and safety requirements. Competitors also agree to take any and all responsibility for damages caused to third persons (bodily injury included but not limited thereto) or their belongings, to themselves (bodily injury included but not limited thereto) or to their belongings, ashore and at sea as a consequence of their participation in the regatta, relieving of any responsibility BRISA and Puerto Del Rey and all its members, the sponsors and all persons involved in the organization under whatever qualification and to accept full responsibility for their behavior and dress of yacht's crew, representative and guest. Competitors are to be acquainted with RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone". In any case, competitors agree that BRISA and Puerto Del Rey, the sponsors and their agents, have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to members or others or for the loss of, or damage to any vessel or property. As part of the registration process, each individual participating crewmember will be required to sign a declaration accepting this disclaimer of liability.

20. RIGHT TO USE AND LIKENESS

- 20.1 By participating in the Spanish Virgins 100 a competitor automatically grants the Organizing Committee and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the competitor during the period of the Spanish Virgins, without compensation.

Appendix A

Course 1

Leg 1 Start at Bahía Demajagua - R4 to Port

Leg 2 R4 to Port- G3 (Bajo Blake) to Port

Leg 3 G3 (Bajo Blake) to Port – Palomino to Port

Leg 4 Palomino to Port-Farallones to Starboard- Cordillera, Barriles and Botijuela Reefs to Starboard / Culebra, Cayo Norte, Cayo Ballena, Cayo Geniquí and Isla Culebrita to Starboard

Leg 5 Farallones to Starboard, Cordillera, Barriles and Botijuela Reefs to Starboard / Culebra, Cayo Norte, Cayo Ballena, Cayo Geniqui and Isla Culebrita to Starboard-Green N1 to Starboard (East of Sail Rock)

Leg 6 Green N1 to Starboard (east of Sail Rock) - Vieques to Starboard

Leg 7 Vieques to Starboard-Punta Arenas, Escollo de Arenas and R2 to starboard

Leg 8 Punta Arenas, Escollo de Arenas and R2 to Starboard- Cabeza de Perro to port

Leg 9 Cabeza de Perro to Port- G5 to Port

Leg 10 G5 to Port- Cayo Bajo Blake to Port

Leg 11 Cayo Bajo Blake to Port- Palomino to Port

Leg 12 Palomino to Port-Finish (Entrance to Puerto Del Rey)

Course 2

Leg 1 Start at Bahia Demajagua- R4 to Port

Leg 2 R4 to Port-G3 (Bajo Blake) to Port

Leg 3 G3 (Bajo Blake) to Port- Palomino to Port

Leg 4 Palomino to Port- Farallones to Starboard, Cordillera Reefs to Starboard – Culebra to Starboard - Cayo Norte, Cayo Ballena, Cayo Geniquí and Isla Culebrita to Starboard.

Leg 5 Farallones to starboard, Cordillera Reefs to Starboard, Culebra to Starboard, Cayo Norte, Cayo Ballena, Cayo Geniqui and Isla Culebrita to Starboard-R2 (Bajo Grampus) to Starboard

Leg 6 R2 (Bajo Grampus) to Starboard-Vieques to Starboard

Leg 7 Vieques to Starboard-Punta Arenas, Escollo de Arenas and R2 to starboard

Leg 8 Punta Arenas, Escollo de Arenas and R2 to Starboard- Cabeza de Perro to Port

Leg 9 Cabeza de Perro to Port– G5 to Starboard

Leg 10 G5 to Starboard–Finish (Entrance to Puerto Del Rey)

Course 3

Leg 1 Start at Demajagua Bay – North of Vieques to Starboard

Leg 2 North of Vieques to Starboard- Punta Del Este to Starboard

Leg 3 Punta Del Este to Starboard- South of Vieques to Starboard

Leg 4 South of Vieques to Starboard- Punta arenas, Escollo de Arenas and R2 to Starboard

Leg 5 Punta Arenas, Escollo de Arenas and R2 to Starboard- Cabeza de Perro to Port

Leg 6 Cabeza de Perro to Port-G5 to Port

Leg 7 G5 to Port – Finish (Entrance to Puerto del Rey)