

THE MOUNT GAY RUM / BOATYARD BARBADOS REGATTA

Thursday May 20 - Sunday May 23, 2010

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) RRS 2009-2012, the 2009 CSA Rules, the Notice of Race (except where any of these are changed by the Sailing Instructions) and by these Sailing Instructions.

Any changes and/or additions to the Notice of Regatta or Sailing Instructions shall be approved by the Jury Chairman and posted on the official notice board located at the Barbados Yacht Club Boatshed by 0830 hours on the day they take effect.

2. Advertising

The right to display Advertising on a boat or by its crew while racing is permitted, in accordance with Regulation 20.

3. Safety Regulations

Yachts entering this Regatta are required to comply with the current CSA Minimum Safety Requirements.

Anchors shall not be carried over bow or stern while racing.

4. Responsibilities & Misconduct

As a condition of entry into this Regatta, the entrant accepts that he has sole and inescapable responsibility for the management and safety of his yacht, and that neither the organizing authorities, Race committee, Jury, sponsors or any of their members, employees or representatives bear any responsibility for any loss, damage, loss of life or injury to persons or yachts which may occur, however caused, before, during or after this Regatta.

5. Handicapping

The CSA Rule, using 2010 Racing Certificates, will apply for the Racing A & B Classes and Cruising Class A. Local handicapping will apply for Cruising Class B. The Melges 24 Class and J24 Class will be one- design. The handicaps will be posted on the Official Notice Board. Corrected times will be calculated to the nearest second.

6. Classes

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| Racing Class A | (CSA Racing Rating) |
| Racing Class B | (CSA Racing Rating) |
| Cruising Class A | (CSA Rating) |
| Cruising Class B | (Local Rating - no spinnaker) |
| Melges 24 Class | (One-Design) |
| J24 Class | (One-Design) |

The decision as to the class in which a yacht will race, rests entirely with the Race Committee, whose decision shall be final.

Spinnakers may be used in Racing A and B, Cruising Class A, Melges 24 Class and J24 Class.

A class shall not be valid unless a minimum of three yachts are at the first start.

7. Entries

Completed Entry Forms together with a copy of a valid 2010 CSA Rating Certificate, where applicable, should be submitted by 1600 hours Thursday May 20, 2010.

Entry Fee - U.S. \$150.00

8. Class Flag

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| Racing A | White |
| Racing B | Green |
| Cruising A | Yellow |
| Cruising B | Pink |
| Melges 24 | Purple |
| J24 | Blue |

9. Courses

The courses will be as shown on the course diagrams.

Description of Marks: All marks will be orange coloured inflatable tetrahedrons.

In the event that any mark of the course is missing or out of position a boat displaying a Mount Gay Flag, and an International Code Flag "M" will become the mark it replaces.

Alternate Course: On any day for any race, the Race Committee may use an alternate course and will identify such with Code Flag "F" flown on the flagstaff of the Committee Boat.

10. Identification

A yacht intending to compete in a race is requested to report to the committee Boat before the start of that race.

11. Communications

Channel 10 (ten) will be used for the starting procedures and communications during the races.

The Race Committee may broadcast a time check at 0930 hours followed by brief announcements of any amendments that may have been posted on the Official Notice Board.

12. Starting Times

The Race Committee plans to run 2 races a day with a total of 5 races except the J24 and Melges 24 classes will race 6 races. The first signal will be at 0955 hours.

For races 1-3-5 the order of start will be:

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| Racing Class B | 1000 hours | Green start |
| Cruising Class B | | Pink start |
| Cruising Class A | | Yellow start |
| Melges 24 Class | | Purple start |
| J24 Class | | Blue start |
| Racing Class A | | White start |

The order of starts for races 2-4 may be different from the first race of the day. Races 2 and 4 will start as soon as possible after the completion of the first race of the day.

RACE 5A (Melges 24 and J24 classes only) will start as soon as possible after the completion of Race 5 for those classes.

13. Starting System

The signals for starting a race shall be in accordance with RRS 26 with the Warning signal 5 minutes before the start.

14. Starting Line

The starting line shall be between the Flagstaff bearing a Mount Gay flag on the Committee Boat and the start mark as shown on the Course Diagram. The Committee Boat will trail a distance marker approximately 20 feet behind it. This mark is considered a part of the Committee Boat and boats shall not touch it or pass between the mark and the Committee Boat.

Boats for which a warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.

15. Finish Line

The finish line shall be between the Flagstaff bearing a Mount Gay flag on the Committee Boat and an Orange Buoy.

16. Penalty Systems

A boat may take any penalty for a breach of part 2 under either RRS44.1 (two turns penalty) or RRS44.3 (scoring penalty).

17. Individual Recalls

Shall be in accordance with RRS 29.1

The Committee may attempt to notify yachts that have started prematurely by broadcasting over VHF Channel 10.

Failure of the Committee to make notification shall not be grounds for redress.

18. General Recalls

Shall be in accordance with RRS 29.2.

19. Time Limit

The first boat in each class must complete the course within five (5) hours of the start of the Race or no later than 1700 hours, on Days 1& 2, and 1500 hours on Day 3. Boats not finishing within the time limit shall be scored "TLE" without a hearing. A "TLE" score shall be one more point than the number of boats that finished and received a finish position in their class. This changes RRS 35, A 4.1, A 4.2, A5 and A11.

20. Retirements

Any competitor retiring shall report to the Race Committee at the earliest opportunity. Please advise Committee Boat on VHF Channel 10 if possible.

21. Protests

Protests must be made in writing to the Race Committee within one (1) hour of the protestor's finishing time on the last race of the day or the time racing was abandoned.

The time limit for filing measurement protest is by the expiry of protest time limit on the first day of racing.

Measurement protests are to be accompanied by a fee of U.S. \$50.00 which will be refunded if the protest is upheld.

22. Scoring

The low point scoring system of Appendix A of the RRS will apply. Five races are scheduled for all classes and six for Melges 24 and J 24, of which one must be completed to constitute a series. No scores will be excluded. This changes Appendix A2.

23. Results

Provisional results of each race will be placed on the Official Notice Board as soon as possible after the yachts finish.

24. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded to first, second and third placed yachts in each class.