

2026 PCYC Shorthanded Challenge

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The organizing authority is the Pass Christian Yacht Club.

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028. The US Sailing prescriptions will apply. The ORA EZ Class rules will apply.

2. CHANGES TO RACING RULES

1. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not use or receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This changes RRS 41.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the PCYC Bar.
2. The Race Committee will broadcast on VHF 68.

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 9:00am on the day it will take effect.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the PCYC Flagpole.
2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

SATURDAY, September 12th

10:30am	Competitors Meeting in the bar.
12:55pm	Warning Signal (back-to-back races to follow)

7. CLASS FLAGS

Class flag will be the PCYC burgee

8. RACING AREA

The racing area will be South of PCYC in the Mississippi Sound.

9. COURSES

The course will be posted online and on the official Notice Board by 10:30am on Saturday.

10. MARKS

Marks will be fixed government marks.

11. THE START

1. Races will be started using RRS 26.

2. The starting line will be between the orange flag on the PCYC Signal Boat and the nearby orange mark, or between the orange flag on the PCYC Pier and the day marker off the southwest corner of the pier.

12. RECALL

Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1. General recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.2.

13. THE FINISH

The finish line will be between the orange flag on the PCYC Pier and the day marker off the southwest corner of the pier.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

15. TIME LIMITS

Boats failing to finish within 60 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, and A5.2.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

Protest forms are available at the race office located at the PCYC Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the race office within 60 minutes of the last boat finishing the race or the race committee signals a postponement, abandonment or cancellation. Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

17. SCORING

The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat retiring from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

19. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to 1st Overall.

20. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact: Samson Vasquez at 228-596-7686 samsonvasquez@gmail.com

21. DISCLAIMER

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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.