Marco Island Yacht Club
(MIYC)
2026 Commodores Cup

December 4-6, 2026
Marco Island, FL USA

Notice of Race (NoR)

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. Rules

1.1 The Regatta is governed by the rules as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the class rules of the West Florida Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (WFPHRF), this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

1.2 The following prescriptions of the US national authority will apply; 65.1, 76.1, 88.2.

2. Sailing Instructions

2.1 Sailing instructions will be available Friday, Dec 4th and be posted on the event page on https://theclubspot.com/regatta/y1iarPyRjd

3. Communications

3.1 The online official notice board is located at https://theclubspot.com/regatta/y1iarPyRjd

3.2 All race day communications will be on VHF #72.

4. Eligibility and Entry:

4.1 The event is open to monohull and multihull sailing yachts measuring a minimum overall length of Nineteen feet (19+).

4.2 The event is open to all boats with valid West Florida PHRF certificates.

4.3 Classes are defined as follows:
Spinnaker
Non-Spinnaker
True Cruising
Multihull
MultiCruiser

4.4 The race committee may combine divisions for starts based on the number of boats in each division.

4.5 The race committee will attempt to run 4 or more races.

4.6 Boats may participate and be scored in the Commodores Cup regatta with an OA assigned rating which is not subject to redress.

5. Registration and Fees

5.1 Regatta entry is available on the event entry page at racing.theclubspot.com/and search "Marco Island" or the direct link: https://theclubspot.com/regatta/y1iarPyRjd

5.2 The cost for regatta entry is $100.00 per boat which includes skippers meeting, one day of racing. Register using this direct link: https://theclubspot.com/regatta/y1iarPyRjd

5.4 There will be a credit card bar, NO CASH ACCEPTED.

6. Management:

6.1 The organizing authority for the race is the Marco Island Yacht Club. MIYC will have the authority to interpret the conditions governing the event, assign yachts to classes and reserve the right to reject the entry of any yacht in compliance with US National Prescription 76.1.

6.2 The PRO for this regatta will be Lance Smotherman

6.3 The Judge for this regatta will be Clay Morris

7. Scoring:

7.1 PHRF handicaps will apply and be scored time-on-distance. Boats without a valid PHRF certificate may be allowed to participate in this event at the sole discretion of the organizing authority.

7.2 A valid PHRF certificate is required to be scored in the SW FL WFPHRF BOTY Series.

7.3 The low point scoring system will be used with no races excluded. This changes RRS Appendix A2.1

8. Venue and Courses:

8.1 The racing area will be the Gulf of America, west of Marco Island in the vicinity of JW Mariott.

8.2 The PRO will determine the course for each class for each race.

8.3 The course descriptions will be found in the Sailing Instructions

8.4 The course assignments for each class will be at the sole discretion of the Principal Race Officer (PRO).

9. Penalty System

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

10. Schedule of Events:

10.1 Friday, December 4th 1700 Skippers Meeting - MIYC

Saturday, December 5th	0955	First Warning – Buoy Races –Near JW Mariott
Saturday, November 5th	1700	Awards Dinner - MIYC

11. Awards

11.1 A perpetual award called the Marco Island Commodores Cup will be awarded to boat/owner who wins the class with the largest number of entries.

12. Safety

12.1 All boats shall carry a working VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on marine channel 72 and weather channels.

12.2 A boat retiring shall notify the signal boat as soon as possible.

13. Disclaimer of Liability

13.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, 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.

14. Insurance

14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of $300,000. per incident or the equivalent.

15. Contact Information

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16. Dockage

16.1 Limited availability so make your reservations now! For overnight dockage, you may contact:
Marco Island Yacht Club (239-378-8835) Marco Island Marine Association (239-404-2033)

The deadline for entry is Tuesday December 1st, 2025.
Link to sign up https://theclubspot.com/register/regatta/y1iarPyRjd/class