

2026 DOG DAYS SINGLE-HAND REGATTA
Privateer Yacht Club
August 15, 2026
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the “Rules” as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 All boats will be sailed single-hand by one participant only.
- 1.3 All boats will be sailed non-spinnaker.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Race Notice Board.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1200 on August 16.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Race Committee Boat at the Dock.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 30 minutes” in race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Racing is scheduled as follows for all classes

Saturday August 15, 2026

- Race # 1 1 pm Warning Signal.
- Race # 2 To follow as soon as possible after Race # 1
- Race # 3 To follow as soon as possible after Race # 2

6 CLASS FLAGS

The Class Flags will be:

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| Keelboat | Red Flag with a White A |
| Dinghy | White Flag with a Blue B |

7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 The racing area will be on Chickamauga Lake in the vicinity of Privateer Yacht Club.
- 7.2 Keelboats and Dinghies will be sailed on the same course.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The course will be a modified triangle. The number of laps will displayed on the side of the race committee boat as “1” or “2”. The diagrams in Attachment A show the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 The starting line will be open.

9 **MARKS**

Turning marks will be inflatable tetrahedrons.

10 **THE START**

10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 of the Racing Rules of Sailing.

10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat and an inflatable mark.

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

10.4 The order of starts will be as follows:

1. Keelboat

2. Dinghy

11 **CHANGE OF THE POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK**

To change the position of the next mark, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the mark may not yet be in the new position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the moved mark may be relocated without further signaling to maintain the course configuration.

12 **THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat and the inflatable starting mark.

13 **TIME LIMIT**

13.1 There will be a 60-minute time limit for the 1st boat in each class for each race. The race committee may, at its discretion, abandon any race in progress or assign a finishing time to any boat still on the course and not finished. Boats not finished within 30 minutes of the 1st boat finishing in her class will be scored the number of finishers plus 1. This changes Rule A5.

13 **PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

13.1 Protest forms are available at the Official Notice Board at The Privateer Yacht Club Clubhouse.

13.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 30 minutes after the Race Committee boat has docked after the last race of the day. [The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2]

13.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the PYC clubhouse as soon as possible after protest time limit

13.4 Notices of protests by the protest committee will be posted to inform boats under Rule 61.1

15 **SCORING**

The *Low Point Scoring System* of Appendix A of the racing rules will apply. Each boat's score will be the total of her scores in all races. Three races are scheduled, of which one (1) shall be completed to constitute a series. This changes Rule A2.

16 **HANDICAPPING**

16.1 Keelboats will be handicapped using existing club PHRF ratings.

16.2 Dinghies will be handicapped using existing club Portsmouth ratings.

16.3 Ratings can be found here: <https://www.privateeryachtclub.org/phrf-&-portsmouth-ratings>

16.4 Request for rating adjustments will not be accepted on the day of the event.

18 **SAFETY REGULATIONS**

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

19 **PRIZES**

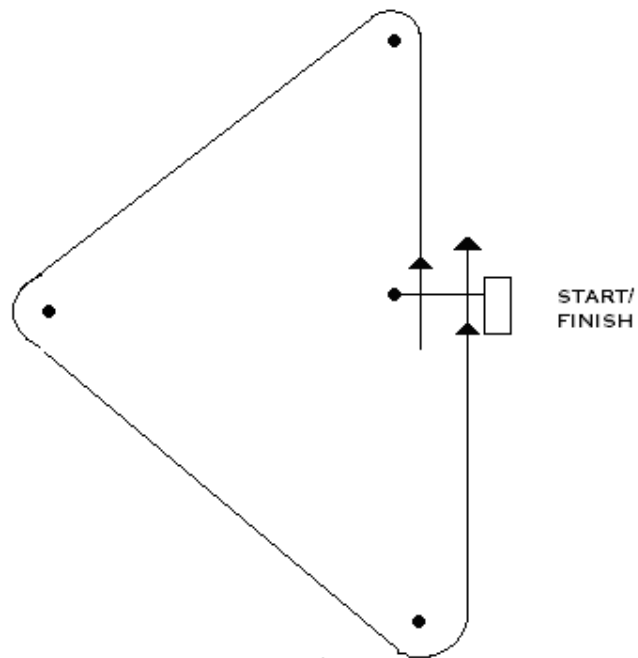
Prizes will be awarded according to the following schedule based on the expected number of entries.

Keelboat –	First Place Second Place Third Place	Dinghies –	First Place Second Place Third Place
Ladies -	Top Female	Junior -	Top Junior

20 **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to race. The organizing authority or member clubs 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.

ATTACHMENT A



COURSE BOARD

MT 1 or **MT 2** shown
Modified Triangle