COMMODORE MIKE RAFFERTY
2026-2027 Race Series

Pass Christian Yacht Club
120 South Market St
Pass Christian, MS

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing.*

1.2. If there is a conflict between the notice of race and the sailing instructions, the sailing instructions shall take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS – Notices to competitors will be posted on the online notice board.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect.

3.2. Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by the end of the protest time limit on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole on the South side of PCYC.

4.2. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after Flag AP is lowered. This changes Race Signals "AP."

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Race Days

1000 Competitor briefing
1130 PHRF Class warning signal

6. CLASS FLAG

6.1. The PHRF Class flag shall be the PCYC Burgee.

7. RACING AREA – The racing area will be on Mississippi Sound, South of Pass Christian harbor.

8. COURSES

8.1. For PHRF Class: the course and marks will be provided not later than the Competitor briefing on Saturday.

9. MARKS

9.1. For PHRF class, the marks will be clearly described and GPS positions provided if possible.

10. THE START

10.1. The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the PCYC Pier and the Channel Marker of the South-West corner of the pier.

10.2. The race committee, after the starting signal, may attempt to hail the sail numbers of boats that have

not complied with RRS 29.1 or 30.1 on VHF channel 68. The delay of such a hail, or failure of a competitor to hear such a hail, shall not be grounds for granting redress; this changes RRS 62.1(a).

11. THE FINISH

11.1. The finishing line will be between the PCYC channel mark 50 yards SW of the end of the PCYC pier, and the finishing committee established on the PCYC balcony. Competitors shall record their own "finish time" and send it to the Race Committee within one hour of finishing.

12. PENALTIES AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT – The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'

13. PROTESTS

13.1. A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the race committee finish boat of her intention, including the sail number of the boat being protested. This changes RRS 61.

13.2. Protest forms are available in the PCYC Admin Office.

13.3. The protest time limit will expire one hour after the last boat docks. The protest time limit will be posted on the notice board without signal flag "L."

13.4. Protests shall be delivered to a race committee representative within one hour of the posted docking time of the race committee finish boat.

13.5. The protest notices required by RRS 63.2, and the notification of protests by the race committee or the protest committee required by RRS 61.1(b), will be posted on the official notice board as soon as possible after a protest has been delivered, but not later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit without signal flag "L.".

14. SAFETY REGULATIONS

14.1. When the anchored race committee signal boat displays flag L, competitors shall come within hail and check in by hailing their sail numbers until acknowledged by the race committee.

14.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee prior to leaving the racing area. If this is not possible, she shall notify the PCYC Admin Office upon arriving ashore.

15. EMERGENCY RADIO COMMUNICATION – The race committee will monitor VHF channel 68 and channel 16 for competitor emergencies.

16. PRIZES

16.1. Prizes will be awarded to classes based upon the size of the class.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY – 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.