

XIX REGATA INTERNACIONAL

BANDERAS BAY REGATTA

VALLARTA, MEXICO 8-12 MARCH, 2011

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012. The complete rules may be downloaded from the ISAF web site in a PDF file at: <http://www.ussailing.org/rules/>.
- 1.2 All information addressed in this document is subject to change both in amendment and version and will be posted in reference on the website and club bulletin board. Version posted to the official VYC bulletin board take president.

2 ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

This Regatta is open to all monohull and multihull sailboats suitable for and equipped for Bay sailing. They shall have sufficient crew to safely maneuver a vessel in a competitive environment. The Race Committee reserves the right to limit the total number of entries or the number of entries by class. Each entry shall provide the information listed on the application form. Entries may be made by using the website: <http://www.banderasbayregatta.com>.

3 CLASSES

- 3.1 Entering boats will be divided into 5-7 classes depending on size, characteristics and rating as determined by the Race Committee.
- 3.2 The small boat racing class will sail only short courses.
- 3.3 A classic boat class will be added if there is sufficient interest. This class could include wood boats and other boats designed before 1970.
- 3.4 A short-handed Jack and Jill class will be considered if there is sufficient interest.

4 FEES

There are no entry fees for participation in the Regatta. All participating boats are required to purchase at least two (2) tickets to the Awards Celebration. Ticket sales start Tuesday, March 1, 2011.

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration: from July 1, 2010 to March 8, 2011 at 0900.
- 5.2 Handicaps will be posted on the VYC Bulletin Board Tuesday March 8, 2011 at 1100. Report any handicap errors to the BBR Race Committee by email prior to 1400 Wednesday March 9 2011 at: committee@banderasbayregatta.com
- 5.3 Skippers sign-in and receive Sailing Instructions Wednesday March 9, 2011 at 0930 Jalisco Time at Vallarta Yacht Club (VYC).
Skippers are required to sign the VYC Liability Release and show 2 tickets purchased for the Awards Celebration to receive Sailing Instructions. Tickets will be available for advance purchase starting early March, and at this time at the VYC register. Without a ticket purchase, race results will be disqualified.
- 5.4 Mandatory Skippers Meeting and Race Safety Seminar - Wednesday, 9 March, 2011 at 1000 at VYC.
Questions on the Sailing instructions will be received during the skippers meeting. Skippers should check Entry List for class assignments and boat numbers. There will be a review of the conditions expected on the course and a safety advisory on local conditions will be provided. Each boat needs to complete a boat profile with description, history and crew list for the Boat Parade announcements. Profiles will be collected at this meeting.
- 5.5 Handicap change requests close – Wednesday March 9 at 1400.
- 5.6 Start Your Heart Out Practice Race – Wednesday March 9, 2011 beginning at 1500.
The Race Committee will provide a series of Practice Starts. This will give each boat an opportunity to fine-tune those all-important racing starts when fewer boats are participating.
- 5.7 Handicap final posting - Thursday, March 10, 2011 at 0900.
- 5.8 Boat Parade - Thursday March 10, 2011 - 1130 to 1300.
Marina and hotel guests will gather along the entrance channel to watch the parade of boats as they leave for the race start. Regatta MC will announce boat captain, crew, and boat history. This is a free event to view the fleet. A parade manager will be in a small boat to guide the boats in the parade. Please follow his recommendations.
Dates of Regatta Racing - March 10, 11, and 12, 2011. One race per day
- 5.9 Scheduled time for the first race start is 1330 on March 10. It is 1300 on March 11 and 12.

6 HANDICAP

- 6.1 The ratings will be based on reference to US Sailing Hi / Low PHRF list and Southern California PHRF MFG. list for those yachts not holding a certificate for review. All ratings are calculated based on listings applied as Random Leg Course (RLC)
- 6.2 Multihull ratings will be determined by the VYC Handicap Committee based on the multihull scale developed on Banderas Bay.
- 6.3 US Sailing rating authority will be referenced as an additional resource regarding rating both Monohull and Multihull classes.
- 6.4 The Sol Cal PHRF Rules Appendix C has been used as the basic format regarding the development of cruising offsets as modified below.
- 6.5 Cruising Class rating adjustments will be made for those boats that provide the appropriate data and measurements.
- 6.6 Cruising Class rating adjustments for Monohulls:

Adjustment Item	Seconds/Mile
Dacron Jib	3 ¹
Racing or Cruising Laminate Jib	No credit
Laminated sails over 5 years old	3 ¹
Dacron mainsail	3
Above deck mounted roller-furling headsail	3 ²
Headsail on hanks	6
Dual headstay or headfoil	No credit ³
Non -standard headsail which has an LP dimension <u>less than</u> a 125% of J	6
LP dimension <u>less than</u> a 135% of J	3
Non-standard Spinnaker with a spinnaker area <u>less than</u> a 160% J	3
Fixed 2 blade prop exposed to water flow not in aperture	6
Fixed 3 blade prop exposed to water flow	9

¹ One Jib or racing headsail offset may be taken

² Where the Sol Cal boat mfg. rating is based on a furling sail then no credit will be given

³ Roller furling must be used, Sail must be variable reefed, not changed unless damaged

- 6.7 Monohulls and multihulls boats that qualify as a cruising boat weight adjustment as defined below will be rated +6 sec/mile slower than those that do not.
- 6.8 A normal cruising boat is assumed to be carrying excess weight of at least 6% of its displacement in permanent addition items beyond the vessels designed configuration. If a list of excess items and their measured weight is provided showing more than 6% excess weight. Then a further adjustment may be provided. *Must be requested and information regarding excess listed.*
- 6.9 If no rating certificate is available the Race Committee will assign a handicap based on similar yacht ratings and other information available.
- 6.10 It will be the responsibility of the skipper to check his/her own class and rating information and to report any errors to the Race Committee, in writing, prior to 1400 on 9, March, 2011 (the day of the Skippers Meeting).
- 6.11 The Race Committee will be the final authority on ratings and reserves the right to inspect and re-rate any vessel at any time based on findings and observations.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be provided at 0930 prior to the skippers meeting, after receipt of liability release by entrant and proof of purchase of 2 tickets for the Awards Celebration.

- 7.1 At time of issue, sailing instructions will take president over any written conflict with Notice of race document.
- 7.2 Any amendments to the Sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board as outlined in the sailing instructions.

8 VENUE

The Regatta headquarters for the regatta will be the Vallarta Yacht Club, where all notices will be posted by the Regatta and Race Committee. The races will be conducted at a location on Banderas Bay north of the Paradise Village harbor breakwater as noted in the Sailing Instructions.

9 THE COURSES

The Courses for two days will consist of a triangular course with an additional windward leeward leg for most classes being approximately 6 to 12 miles long. An estimated 4-hour time limit will be in effect . A mid-distance race is planned for one day with an estimated 5-hour time limit. Course to be outlined in the sailing instructions.

10 PRIZES

Prizes will be given for the first, second, and third place in each class of 5 or more boats. The Awards Celebration will be at the Paradise Village Resort beach following the last race.

11 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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.

12 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party insurance with a minimum coverage of US \$25,000.00 per event or the equivalent proof as required.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please visit the Banderas Bay Regatta website at <http://www.banderasbayregatta.com/>. Contact names for all regatta organizers and email queries are available under the “Contacts” tab.

Revisions and Amendments

No.	Date	Description
0	7/28/2010	First Release
1	07/31/10	Revised wording of 6.1