



50th ANTIGUA SAILING WEEK
APRIL 30 – May 5, 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

The Antigua Sailing Week Committee invites you to compete in the 50th Antigua Sailing Week. The Organising Authority is the Antigua Sailing Week Committee affiliated with the Antigua and Barbuda Sailing Association. The Regatta Headquarters will be located at Antigua Yacht Club, Falmouth Harbour, Antigua.

Abbreviations: *ASW – Antigua Sailing Week* *CSA – Caribbean Sailing Association*
 RRS – Racing Rules of Sailing *NOR – Notice of Race*

1. RULES

1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020 ('RRS')*.

1.2 The Regatta will also be governed by:

- (a) for boats in CSA classes, the *CSA Rating Rule*;
- (b) for boats in Bareboat classes, the *ASW Requirements for Bareboat Class*;
- (c) for multihulls, the *CSA Multihull Rating Rule*;
- (d) for all boats, *ASW Minimum Safety Rules*.

1.3 The RRS will be changed as follows:

- (a) RRS 52, Manual Power, is deleted;
- (b) RRS 55, Trash Disposal, is changed by adding the following sentence after the first sentence: 'However, discarding biodegradable, environmentally friendly bands when setting a sail is permitted.'
- (c) RRS 77, Identification on Sails, is deleted.

The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other RRS.

1.4 For Multihull classes only, *ASW Minimum Safety Rule #2* with respect to lifelines will not apply.

2. ADVERTISING

2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and provided by the Organising Authority as permitted by World Sailing Regulation 20.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The Regatta will be held for the following classes which may be subdivided:

- (a) CSA Monohull;

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- (b) CSA Bareboat;
- (c) CSA Multihull; and
- (d) ASW Club.

- 3.2 Boats shall enter online at www.sailingweek.com.
- 3.3 Entries will be accepted up to 6 pm on Friday, April 21, 2017. Further entries may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 3.4 The Organising Authority reserves the right to amalgamate, cancel, divide, sub-divide or rearrange classes at its sole discretion.
- 3.5 All boats shall have a minimum of two (2) persons on board at all times while racing.
- 3.6 All entries must declare their sail configuration at Registration but in any event, by no later than 3 pm on Saturday, April 29, 2017.
- 3.7 All participating sailors will be required to complete a waiver provided by the Organising Authority prior to the start of racing.

4. FEES

- 4.1 For all classes except the ASW Club class, the entry fee will be:
 - (a) US \$10 per foot of measured overall length if paid in full prior to March 1, 2017;
 - (b) US \$12 per foot of measured overall length if paid in full between March 1, 2017 and April 21, 2017;
 - (c) US \$14 per foot of measured overall length if paid after April 21, 2017.
- 4.2 For the ASW Club class, the entry fee will be US \$8 per foot of measured overall length.
- 4.3 Entrants are requested to pay entry fees by Visa or MasterCard online at www.sailingweek.com. Alternatively, entry fees can be paid in person by Visa, MasterCard, cash or EC dollar cheque at the Antigua Sailing Week office located at Harbour Walk, English Harbour, open from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday year-round, or at Registration. Cheques or payments not honoured will be subject to a fee of US \$100 plus any levied bank charges.
- 4.4 Paid entries withdrawing on or before April 21, 2017 will receive a refund of the entry fee, less a 20% administration fee. Entries withdrawing after April 21, 2017 will not receive a refund except in exceptional circumstances at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

5. REGISTRATION

- 5.1 Registration is mandatory for all entrants including bareboats and will take place at the Committee Desk at Antigua Yacht Club, Falmouth Harbour, as follows:
 - Friday, April 21, 2017 from 9 am to 5 pm;
 - Saturday, April 22, 2017 from 9 am to 3 pm.

6. IDENTIFICATION

- 6.1 All boats are required to provide their sail numbers to the Race Committee before the close of Registration.

6.2 All boats without sail numbers will be required to carry numbers for the purpose of identification. These will be supplied at Registration and a refundable cash deposit of US \$50 will be charged to all boats requiring identification numbers.

7. SCHEDULE

7.1 For all classes a minimum of one (1) race will be scheduled on each of the following days:

- Sunday, April 30, 2017;
- Monday, May 1, 2017;
- Tuesday, May 2, 2017;
- Thursday, May 4, 2017;
- Friday, May 5, 2017.

7.2 For all classes there will be a lay day on Wednesday, May 3, 2017.

7.3 The warning signal for the first class each day will be at 10 am.

7.4 For each class a maximum of eight (8) races are scheduled.

8. MEASUREMENT AND RATINGS

8.1 All entries shall have:

- (a) in the CSA Monohull classes, a valid 2017 digitally-certified CSA rating certificate;
- (b) in the Bareboat classes, a valid 2017 digitally-certified CSA Bareboat rating certificate;
- (c) in the Multihull classes, a valid 2017 digitally-certified CSA Multihull rating certificate;
- (d) in the ASW Club classes, an approved rating assigned by the Organising Authority which may change arbitrarily on each day of racing.

8.2 Boats requiring CSA measurement in Antigua should contact either of the CSA Official Measurers listed below by no later than 12 pm on Wednesday, April 26, 2017.

Measurement of boats in time for Registration cannot be guaranteed after that time.

Tony Maidment Phone: (268) 773-5598 Email: maidment.tony@gmail.com

Sandy Mair Phone: (268) 464-1097 Email: cricketant112@gmail.com

8.3 All multihull entries must contact a CSA measurer via www.caribbean-sailing.com to arrange for measurement and to obtain a rating certificate by no later than 12 pm on Wednesday, April 26, 2017.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

9.1 Sailing Instructions will be available at Registration and online at www.sailingweek.com prior to Registration.

10. COURSES

10.1 All courses will be in the waters surrounding the coast of Antigua and will be around laid marks or will be point-to-point courses.

10.2 There may be variation in courses and distances for different classes and for sub-divided classes.

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11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.
- 11.2 The penalty, if any, for breaches of the RRS other than Parts 1 and 2 will be at the sole discretion of the International Jury. This changes RRS 64.1 and RRS A4.2.
- 11.3 For protests involving a breach of a rule of Part 2 of the RRS, an arbitration hearing may be offered prior to a protest hearing. This changes Part 5, Section B of the RRS. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.

12. SCORING

- 12.1 A boat's series score will be:
 - (a) when fewer than six (6) races have been completed, the total of her race scores;
 - (b) when six (6) or more races have been completed, the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 12.3 For all classes one (1) race must be completed to constitute a series.

13. PRIZES

- 13.1 Winners' burgees will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers in each class daily. Prizes may also be awarded to those finishers.
- 13.2 Trophies will be awarded at the end of the Regatta to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place overall in each class.
- 13.3 The Lord Nelson Trophy will be awarded to the most worthy performance of the Regatta at the absolute discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 13.4 All other prizes to be awarded will be listed on www.sailingweek.com.

14. OUTSIDE COMMUNICATION

- 14.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications not available to all boats.

15. INSURANCE

- 15.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance for the duration of the Regatta.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND RISK STATEMENT

- 16.1 RRS 4 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.' Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in ASW, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) they are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk while taking part in ASW;
- (b) they are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) they accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (d) their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in ASW and they are fit to participate; and
- (e) the provision of a race management team, support boats, judges and other officials and volunteers by the Organising Authority does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 17.1 The governing documents referred to in Section 1, Rules, can be found as follows:
- (a) *Racing Rules of Sailing (2017 - 2020)* - www.sailing.org;
 - (b) *CSA Rating Rule* - www.caribbean-sailing.com;
 - (c) *ASW Requirements for Bareboat Class* - www.sailingweek.com;
 - (d) *CSA Multihull Rating Rule* – www.caribbean-sailing.com;
 - (e) *ASW Minimum Safety Rules* – www.sailingweek.com.
- 17.2 Information about the Caribbean Sailing Association, the CSA Rating Rules and CSA Measurers is available at: www.caribbean-sailing.com.
- 17.3 For further information see: www.sailingweek.com or contact roc@sailingweek.com.
- 17.4 To enter Antigua Sailing Week 2017, go to www.sailingweek.com and click on 'Enter'.