

Phuket Yacht Club
40th Anniversary Regatta
15th November 2009

Organising Authority - Phuket Yacht Club, Ao Yon
Phuket, Thailand

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will prevail.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at Phuket Yacht Club, Ao Yon.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than one hour before the start on the day.

4. BOATS

- 4.1 Boats that are provided for competitors shall not be modified or cause to be modified in any way except that:
 - a. a compass may be tied or taped to the hull or spars;
 - b. wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat;
 - c. hulls, centreboards and rudders may be cleaned, but only with water;
 - d. adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the water line; and
 - e. all fittings or equipment designed to be adjusted may be adjusted, provided the class rules are complied with.
- 4.2 All equipment provided with the boat for sailing purposes shall be in the boat while afloat.
- 4.3 The penalty for not complying with one of the above instructions will be disqualification from all races sailed in which the instruction was broken.
- 4.4 Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the organizing authority's representative immediately after securing the boat ashore. The penalty for breaking this instruction, unless the protest committee is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, will be disqualification from the race most recently sailed.
- 4.5 Class rules requiring competitors to be members of the class association will not apply.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Flag Pole at Phuket Yacht Club.
- 5.2 When signal AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' in the race signal AP.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 4 races are scheduled to be sailed. Additional races may be sailed, weather and time permitting.

Skippers briefing - 09:00 hrs, Phuket Yacht Club, Ao Yon

- 6.2 The scheduled time of the first warning signal for the first race is 10:00 hrs.
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| Class 3 Dinghy B | Warning Signal 10:00 hrs |
| Class 2 Dinghy A | Warning Signal 10:05 hrs |
| Class 1 Beach Cats | Warning Signal 10:10 hrs |
- 6.3 To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the AP signal will be displayed with two sounds for at least one minute. The AP signal will be removed 1 minute before the first warning signal.

7 CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1 Class flags will be:

Class	Flag
Class 1 Beach Cats	Pennant 1 (white with red spot)
Class 2 Dinghy A	Pennant 2 (blue with white spot)
Class 3 Dinghy B	Pennant 3 (red, white and blue)

8 RACING AREAS

- 8.1 The racing area will be in the waters just outside Ao Yon
- 8.2 Shorten Course – In addition to the requirements of RRS 32 – when flag H, with two sounds is displayed from a committee boat at a mark of the course, - its meaning is, “The course is shortened & this is the last mark of the course – pass between the mark and shortened course committee boat and sail to the finish line finishing in the same direction from the mark”.

9 THE COURSES

- 9.1 The diagrams in the Attachment show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 Marks 1a, 2, 3 will be orange cylindrical inflatable marks.
- 10.2 1b will be a red cylindrical inflatable mark.
- 10.3 The starting and finishing marks will be a race committee signal boat at the starboard end and a red cylindrical inflatable mark at the port end.

11 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 11.1 The following areas are designated as obstructions: The Pearl Farm.

12 THE START

- 12.1 For all classes, the starting line will be between the Committee Boat displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and a red cylindrical buoy at the port-end.

13 FINISH

- 13.1 For all classes, the finishing line will be between the Committee Boat displaying an orange flag and a red cylindrical buoy.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under rule 31.2 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgment form at the race office, Phuket Yacht Club, within the protest time limit.

15 TIME LIMITS

- 15.1 Time limits are as follows: 60 minutes.
15.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and A4.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protest forms are available from the race officer. Protests shall be given to the race officer at the Yacht Club within the protest time limit.
16.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
16.3 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 at the Phuket Yacht Club.
16.4 Notice of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

17 SCORING

- 17.1 The Low Point Scoring System will apply. 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
17.2 When up to 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
17.3 When more than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 All competitors whilst afloat shall wear personal flotation devices which are in good condition.
18.2 Competitors shall sign-on on a competitor list located at the Yacht Club prior to leaving the shore. Upon returning to shore and prior to the end of the protest time limit, competitors shall sign-off on the competitor list.
18.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

19 OFFICIAL BOATS

- 19.1 The race committee boat will be identified by displaying an Orange Flag.

20 SUPPORT BOATS

- 20.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay at least 100 metres outside the racing lay lines from the time of the preparatory signal until the finish of the last boat in the race, except when asked to assist by the Race Committee.

21 PRIZES

- 21.1 Prizes will be awarded for the top 3 overall in each class for each regatta.
Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising committee.

22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 22.1 Competitors participate in these races entirely at their own risk. See rule 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.