



# 2026 “Taco Tuesday Series”

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

May 12-August 18

**Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club (BCYC) is the Organizing Authority**

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the rules of the Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (PHRF) or the Harbor 20 Fleet 1 shall apply.
- 1.2 Spinnakers/gennakers are NOT allowed.
- 1.3 PHRF boats SHALL NOT enter the mooring areas or the anchorage areas. Mooring areas and anchorage areas are defined as obstructions for PHRF boats.
- 1.4 PHRF boats rated with an engine shall carry the engine while racing (per PHRF Class Rules).

### 2. CHECK-IN

- 2.1 All boats shall pass by the Race Committee boat and check in before starting.
- 2.2 Race Committee may issue verbal changes to the Sailing Instructions when the “L” flag (Come Within Hail) is displayed.

### 3. CLASSES

- 3.1 Class Breaks will be posted no later than 1200 hours on the day of the first race on the BCYC website.
- 3.2 Race Committee may assign a boat to a class that is deemed appropriate by Race Committee.

### 4. COURSE AND RACES

- 4.1 The course for each race will be displayed on the Race Committee Boat.
- 4.2 All marks shall be rounded to port unless otherwise signaled by Race Committee.
- 4.3 PHRF
  - 4.3.1 The Inside Mark Chart is included as Attachment A.
  - 4.3.2 PHRF will sail one random leg race per evening.
  - 4.3.3 Race Committee may display a solid black triangle as a mark of the course. The solid triangle represents a yellow tetrahedron in the vicinity of the start/finish line. It may be set in position after the start.
  - 4.3.4 Different classes may sail different courses.

#### 4.4 HARBOR 20

4.4.1 Harbor 20's may sail more than one windward/leeward race per evening.

4.4.2 Different classes may sail different courses.

4.4.3 If a leeward gate is set in place of the leeward mark, boats must pass through the gate but may then round either of the gate marks.

4.4.4 The possible courses to be sailed by Harbor 20's are shown on the following table:

COURSE #	MARKS		COURSE #	MARKS
1	1-L-Finish		4	2-L-Finish
2	1-L-1-Finish		5	2-L-2-Finish
3	1-L-1-L-Finish		6	2-L-2-L-Finish

MARK	LOCATION
1	An orange inflatable to windward of the start/finish line
2	A yellow inflatable to windward of the start/finish line
L	One red buoy to leeward of the start line (or a gate with 2 red buoys)

#### 5. SCHEDULE

5.1 The first warning signal is scheduled for 1800 hours.

5.2 Approximately one minute before the warning signal, Race Committee will sound multiple horns as an "Attention" signal.

#### 6. START

6.1 The Start/Finish Lines will be in the area commonly known as the "Five Points" (see Attachment A).

6.2 There will be two (2) separate start/finish lines, one for PHRF and another for Harbor 20's.




6.3 The Start Lines will be between an Orange Flag on a staff and an Orange Flag on the Race Committee Boat.

6.4 PHRF starts will be signaled according to *RRS 26*...with the start signal for the class being the warning signal for the next starting class (also known as a "rolling start").

6.5 Harbor 20 starts will be signaled according to a modified *RRS 26* as shown below. There will be a brief delay between starts.

SIGNAL	SOUND	FLAG	MEANING
Warning	1 horn	Class Flag Up	3 minutes until start
Preparatory	1 horn	"P" Flag Up	2 minutes until start
	1 long horn	"P" Flag Down	1 minute until start
Start	1 horn	Class Flag Down	START

6.6 The following Starting Assignments and Class Flags are scheduled:

START #	CLASS / DIVISION	SIGNAL FLAG
1	PHRF-A / Harbor 20 A	
2	PHRF-B / Harbor 20 B	
3	PHRF-C / Harbor 20 C	

## 7. FINISH

The Finish Lines will be between an Orange Flag on a staff and an Orange Flag on the Race Committee Boat. This modifies the *RRS Race Signal* for the Finish Line.

## 8. SCORING

- 8.1 Each race day, a boat's Daily Score will be her finishing position after scoring all of its races that day.
- 8.2 A boat's Series Score will be the sum of her Daily Scores less the discarded scores as follows. This changes *RRS A2.1*
  - 8.2.1 The worst Daily Score from race days **1-7** will be discarded.
  - 8.2.2 The worst Daily Score from race days **8-13** will be discarded.
  - 8.2.3 Race day **14** scores will not be discarded.
- 8.3 A boat that did not start/compete, did not finish, is disqualified, or retires, shall be scored points for the finishing place **one more** than the number of **starters** in the race. This modifies *RRS A5.2*
- 8.4 If a Harbor 20 races in a class other than the class listed on the Entry Form:
  - 8.4.1 It will be scored DNS in the class listed on the Entry Form and will not be scored in the class in which it races, unless Race Committee is notified **via email prior to noon on race day** of the intent to race in a different class.
  - 8.4.2 If prior notification is made, the boat will be scored based on its finish position in the class it raced and will be scored DNS in the class listed on the Entry Form.

8.5 PHRF boats will be scored using the Area D RLC Rating PLUS the boat's non-spinnaker offset.

## **9. PROTESTS**

9.1 A boat intending to protest shall comply with *RRS* 60.1 & 61.1 and shall also notify the Race Committee at the finish line of her intention to protest and identify the other boats involved. This modifies *RRS* 61.1.

9.2 Protests and Requests For Redress shall be on written forms, which are available at the Bulletin Board by the BCYC Front Office or from the Principal Race Officer... and shall be delivered to the Principal Race Officer within the Protest Time Limit. This changes *RRS* 62.2.

9.3 The Protest Time Limit is 30 minutes after the Race Committee boat for the protesting boat's fleet has docked. The time the Race Committee boat has docked will be posted on the bulletin board adjacent to the BCYC front office.

9.4 The parties will be advised under *RRS* 63.2 of when and where the protest will be heard, which may be on a date and time other than immediately following the close of the Protest Time Limit.

## **10. PENALTY**

A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when it may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while *racing*. This changes *RRS* 44.1

## **11. PRIZES**

11.1 Take-home prizes will be handed out at Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club after each evening's racing.

11.2 Class/Division trophies will be awarded after the last race of the Series.

11.3 Prizes and trophies in dispute due to a Protest will be awarded after the Hearing noted in SI 9.4

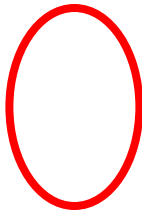
## **12. TIME LIMIT**

Any boat that finishes later than thirty (30) minutes after the first boat in its class finishes shall be scored Did Not Finish. This changes *RRS* 35.

# Attachment A



**MARKS  
FOR PHRF**



= Starting Areas



= Yellow tetrahedron in the vicinity of the start/finish line. Applies to PHRF only.