



Ocean Marina Yacht Club, Pattaya, THAILAND

4th – 8th May 2017

Sailing Instructions
Class 1 to Class 6

1. RULES

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS2017 – 2019 .
- 1.2 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 For Classes 1 – 6, the World Sailing (WS) Special Regulations governing offshore racing Category 5 will apply to all boats. The requirement to be self-righting will not apply to Class 6 Multihull.
- 1.4 Keelboats classes are identified as follows:
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| Class 1 IRC Racing 1 | Keelboats with an IRC 1.200 and above |
| Class 2 IRC Racing 2 | Keelboats with an IRC 1.060 to 1.19 |
| Class 3 IRC Racing 3 | Keelboats with an IRC 0.960 To1.059 |
| Class 4 Cruising | Keelboats cruising in nature racing with PHF handicap. |
| Class 5 Platu | One design Keelboat |
| Class 6 Multihulls | Ocean going catamarans |

For Classes 1 to Class 3 the IRC handicap system will be applied.
For class 4 The committee will apply Performance Handicap Factor (PHF) handicaps.

For Class 5, the International Platu 25 Class rules with Thai amendments will apply. All crew to declare their weights.
For Class 6, OMR will be applied. Yachts shall weigh and declare their crew weight (WCD) upon registration. In case changes to crew which brings the total crew weight below the declared crew weight such deficit must be compensated by water ballast in accordance with OMR Rules.

1.5 Racing Rules will be changed as indicated

SI 5.2	Race Signals
SI 11.4	RRS A4 and 63.1
SI 13.2	RRS 32.2
SI 15.1	RRS 35 and A4
SI 15.2	RRS 35 and A4
SI 15.3	RRS 35
SI 16.5	RRS 60.1 (a)
SI 16.6	RRS 66
SI 19	RRS 62.1 (a)
SI 22.4	RRS 62.1 (a)

- 1.6 RRS 55 is changed by adding the following sentence to the rule: 'However the discarding of cotton, wool or rubber bands when setting a sail is permitted.'
- 1.7 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 2.I IDENTIFICATION
All boats shall carry an identifying number on the mainsail and/or their hull.
3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS
Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located opposite the OMYC Marina Office and ATM's
4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
- 4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000hrs on the day before it will take effect.
- 4.1. On water changes may be made on VHF Ch. 72 prior to the warning signal. Code flag L will be displayed on the committee boat.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on a flag mast carrying the regatta flag. When a visual signal is displayed over a class flag, it applies to that class only.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in race signal AP.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 The first Warning Signal will be at 1055hrs each day and racing will consist of a mixture of buoy and passage races. The race officer shall fix the number of races and the courses for each day according to wind, weather and schedule requirements. The course(s) to be sailed will be displayed on the course board on the start boat.
- 6.2 The maximum number of races for each class for the regatta is as follows.

Classes 1-3;	8 races
Class 4;	5 races
Class 5	10 races
Class 6;	8 races
- 6.3 A warning signal shall not be made after 1500 hrs on the last scheduled day of the regatta.

7. CLASS FLAG

7.1. The class flags will be:

CLASS	FLAG
Class 1 IRC Racing 1	Yellow
Class 2 IRC Racing 2	White
Class 3 IRC Racing 3	Light Blue
Class 4 Cruising	Light Green
Class 5 Platu	Blue P on White
Class 6 Open Multihulls	Flag E

7.2 For Class 1 to Class 4, a small class flag will be provided for each boat. This class flag shall be flown from the backstay while racing.

8. RACING AREAS

The racing area is west of Ocean Marina Yacht Club, as displayed on the Google map at end of this document.

9 COURSES

- 9.1. The course diagrams are shown on the course diagram which will be available at registration. They show the courses, including the approximate distance (long distance only), the order in which marks are to be rounded and the side on which each mark is to be left. The committee may designate additional courses with an appropriate number and communication to the competitors.
- 9.2 The number of the course to be sailed by each class will be displayed on the course board on the Committee Boat.
- 9.3 If Flag "W" is displayed with the course number, the first mark of the course will be a mark to windward of the starting line and shall be rounded to Port, if a red flag is displayed below Flag 'W', and to Starboard if a green flag is displayed. The second mark of the course will be the first mark in the course description. If a "W" flag is not flown, the first mark of the course will be the one listed in the course description in the course diagram. This section does not apply to Windward/Leeward Courses; those courses will be sailed as described in the course diagram.

10. MARKS

10.1 Description of Marks Courses 1 – 7

Mark	Description
Start Mark	Yellow triangular buoy
Finish Mark	Red small round buoy
Mark 1	Yellow cube buoy
Mark 1a	Red cube buoy
Gate marks	Yellow cube buoys
Mark 3	Yellow cube buoy
Change of course for Mark 1	Yellow cylindrical buoy
Change of course for Mark 1a	Yellow cylindrical buoy with Red band
Mark W (as per S.I. 9.3)	Black cube buoy

10.2 Description of Marks Courses 8 – 25

Marks of the course will be islands, rocks or navigational aids as described in the course instructions. Laid Marks will be yellow cube buoys.

11. THE START

11.1 The class starting order for the first race in each day shall be:

Class	Warning Signal
Class 6: Ocean Multihulls	10:55
Class 4; Cruising	11:00

Class 1 and 2; IRC racing classes	11:05
Class 3: IRC 3	11:10
Class 5; Platu	11:15

- 11.2 For subsequent starts classes may be started in any order.
- 11.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Signal Boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark. An inner limit buoy may be laid near the committee vessel approximately on the starting line. Boats shall not pass between this buoy and the committee vessel at any time. A breach of this SI is open to protest by the Race Committee only. This alters RRS 60.1 and 60.3.
- 11.4 A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A 4 and 63.1.
- 11.5 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep at least 100m clear of the starting line after the first warning signal is displayed.

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. The change will be signalled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the new mark may not yet be in position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated without further signalling to maintain the course configuration. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

13. THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Finishing Boat at the starboard end and finishing mark.
- 13.2 Due to shallow waters surrounding some of the islands, the finishing line of the shortened courses may locate further off-shore in deeper water. The shorten course finishing line will be between the committee boat displaying Flag 'S' and a yellow cylindrical buoy. This information may be made on VHF Ch. 72.
This changes RRS 32.2

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

For Class 6 Ocean Multihulls and Class 5 Platu, rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

15. TIME LIMITS

- 15.1 The time limit for first boat in each class on Courses 1- 5 will be two hours. Boats still racing when her time limit expires will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus 30% of the number of starters rounded to the nearest whole number, but no more points than the number of starters. Such boats will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE). This changes RRS 35, A4.2 and A5.
- 15.2 The time limit for all boats in each class for all other courses shall be 1730hrs. Boats still racing after this time will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus 30% of the number of starters rounded to the nearest whole number, but no more points than the number of starters. Such boats will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE). This changes RRS 35, A4.2 and A5.
- 15.3 If only 20% or less of a class finishes within the time limit, then the race committee may, for all boats in that class, use positions or times taken at the previous mark. This changes rule 35

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1. Protest forms are available from the Jury office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 16.2. For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Jury office.
- 16.4 Notices of protest by the Race Committee or Jury will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.5 Breaches of sailing instructions 11.5, 19, 21 and 22 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the jury so decides.
- 16.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66.

16.7 On the last day of racing a request for Redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2

16.8 Decisions of the jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5

16.9 In accordance with RRS 64.1 the Jury may award a disqualification or a scoring penalty which may include no penalty. The penalty is called DPI.

17. SCORING

17.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply. One race shall be completed to constitute a series for each class

17.2 For Class 1, 2, 3 and 6, eight races are scheduled. If five or more races are completed, one discard will be allowed. If four races or fewer are completed, all will count.

17.3 For Class 4, five races are scheduled. If five races are completed, one discard will be allowed. If four races or fewer are completed, all will count.

17.4 For Class 5 ten races are scheduled if six or more races completed one discard will be allowed. If six races or fewer are completed all will count.

18. SAFETY REGULATION.

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

19. MARK BOATS & COMMITTEE BOATS

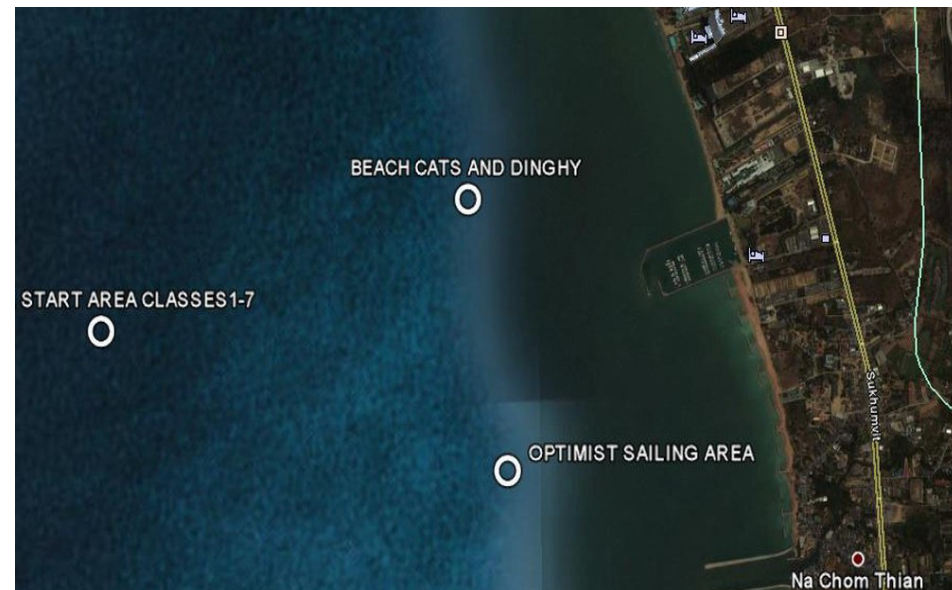
The regatta flag is a white flag with the regatta logo. This flag will be flown from all committee boats. Failure to display this flag will not be grounds for Redress. This changes RRS 62.1 (a).

20. REPLACEMENT OF CREW

20.1 The number of crew for Class 1-3 yachts shall be no more than 120% of the crew number printed on her IRC certificate (rounded up). For Class 4 there shall be a minimum number of three crew to sail the boat safely given the conditions during the regatta. Classes 5 and 6 shall sail in accordance with the yachts certificate or class rules.

20.2 Substitution of skipper will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

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ADVERTISING

Boats shall display advertising supplied by the organizing authority.

22. RADIO COMMUNICATION

22.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions whilst racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats except as described in SI 22.2 and 22.3. This also applies to mobile phones.

22.2 No boat shall instigate radio communication from 10 minutes before the first warning signal until 20 minutes after the last start.

22.3 A boat retiring from a race can notify the Race Committee by VHF on Channel 72 or cell phone on the designated numbers.

22.4 Any radio communications by the Race Committee, any naming or misnaming of boats and/or their numbers, colors, designs, logos, or shapes cannot be used as evidence in any redress hearing. This changes RRS 62.1 (a).

23. PRIZES

23.1. The following TOGR principal prizes will be awarded in each of the classes
1st Place
2nd Place
3rd Place

23.2. Prizes may be awarded by Sponsors for their individual races.

23.3 Other prizes may be awarded for class and division results.

24. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta 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.

Courses 1 -7

Around the Buoys Courses: (all marks to port)

- 1 The diagram below shows the course to sail. The Course Number to be sailed will be indicated by the display of a numeral board on the signal vessel.
2. All marks to be rounded to Port except the Gate; boats shall sail between the Gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either Gate mark.

COURSE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
1	Start – 1 – Finish
2	Start – 1a - Finish
3	Start - 1 – Gate – 1 – Finish
4	Start - 1a – Gate – 1a – Finish
5	Start – 1 – Gate – 1 – Gate – 1 - Finish
6	Start – 1a – Gate – 1a – Gate – 1a - Finish
7	Start – 1a – 3 – 2a – 1a – Finish