

**THE MOONLIGHT REGATTA**  
**July 8, 2006**  
**The Rudder Club of Jacksonville**  
**NOTICE OF RACE**

**1. RULES** The regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the prescriptions of the US SAILING, the rules of participating classes, the rules of PHRF, (except as any of the foregoing are altered by these Sailing Instructions); and by these Sailing Instructions. The Regatta is designated Category A.

**2. ENTRIES** Eligible yachts are those who have officially entered by completing a registration form with the Rudder Club in advance or during the registration period as set forth in the Notice of Race. Appendix P (Definitions for Competitor Eligibility) of the RRS will be in effect for this regatta. Group US1 and Group US2 competitors are eligible to compete. Display of sail numbers shall be in accordance with class rules.

**3. SAFETY**

3.1 All competitors are required to conform to the U.S. Coast Guard regulations and the RRS concerning personal floatation devices and other required equipment. All yachts are reminded that under fundamental rule 4 "A boat is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing."

3.2 Yachts shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or commercial fishing vessels while fishing or vessels with restricted ability to maneuver. Racing yachts interfering with other vessels may be subject to protest by the Race Committee or contestants and possible disqualification.

**4. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the north wall of the Rudder Club.

**5. CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change in the Sailing Instructions will be posted before July 8th.

**6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag pole located on the north side of the Rudder Club.

6.2 Code Flag "AP", Answering Pennant, displayed ashore with two sound signals (one when lowered) means "The race is postponed: do not leave the dock." The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered.

**7. SCHEDULE OF RACES**

7.1 July 8th one distance race for PHRF & one design classes.

7.2 Class divisions and their Class flags shall be announced at the competitors meeting and posted.

7.3 Schedule of Events  
Saturday, July 8, 2006  
Registration: 6:30pm– 7:30pm  
Sailors meeting: 7:30 pm  
Warning signal for first class: 8:00pm

**8. Fees**

8.1 \$25.00 Entrance fee. Rudder Club member's fees are paid in advance. \$5 discount for those with current US Sailing membership.

**9. RACING AREA**

9.1 The racing area will be in the St. Johns River

between the Buckman Bridge to the south and the Fuller Warren Bridge to the north as depicted on NOAA Chart 11492.

**10. THE COURSE**

10.1 Race courses will be announced at the sailor's meeting.

**11. MARKS**

11.1 Marks may be either government navigation marks as depicted on NOAA Chart 11492 (as corrected by Notices to Mariners), SJRSA Race Marks or orange/yellow tetrahedrons. Government marks will be designated by their number as appearing on the chart. SJRSA marks will be designated by their Alphabetic designator.

11.2 The Start line will be a line between an orange flag flown on the Race Committee Boat and a mark set toward the left side of the course from the RC boat.

11.3 The Finish Line will be a line between an orange flag flown on the Club Dock and a mark set to the east side of the dock.

**12. START**

12.1 A five minute sequence: Class flag (CF) up at 5 minutes; preparatory flag (PF) up at 4 minutes; PF down at one minute; CF down at start.

12.2 Yachts whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.

**13. CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START**

13.1 A change of course will be signaled near the mark beginning the leg being changed by a race committee boat that will display code flag "CHARLIE" and sound a horn periodically per rule 33.

**14. TIME LIMIT**

14.1 The time limit shall be 3 hours for each class. Yachts failing to finish within 45 minutes corrected time after the first yacht of their class finishes will be scored "Did not Finish".

**15. PROTESTS**

15.1 Protests shall be written on forms available at the Rudder Club. They shall be filed with the Regatta Chairman. Protest time will end one hour after the Race Committee boat docks. Protests will be heard in the approximate order received.

15.2 Protest notices will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board within 10 minutes following the protest time limit.

**16. SCORING**

16.1 The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.

**17. PRIZES** Results will be announced at the Rudder Club following the race. First, second, and third place prizes will be awarded.