

**Big Easy Fleet Race
Sailing Instructions
Tulane University
New Orleans, LA**

1. **Rules:** The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, the ICSA Procedural Rules 2017-2020 and these Sailing Instructions.
2. **Notice to Competitors:** Official Notices will be posted on the Regatta Notice Board in the boat house.
3. **Changes to the Sailing Instructions:** Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Regatta Notice Board, and may be made orally by the race committee.
4. **Schedule of Races:**

Saturday	Report Time 0900
	Competitors Meeting 0915
	First Warning Signal 1000
5. **Boats:** Shall be raced as supplied by Tulane University. The standing rigging shall not be adjusted. The main halyard knot and ball shall not be adjusted or altered.
6. **Rotation:** Schedule for boat rotation will be displayed on TechScore, and shall take place on the downwind side of the Municipal Yacht Harbor Dock west of the Southern Yacht Club, or at the Community Sailing Launching Dock
7. **Racing Area:** The racing area will be Lake Pontchartrain near Breakwater Point.
8. **Courses:** The diagrams will be posted on the Official Notice Board. The courses will be designated by oral instructions from the Race Committee.
9. **Marks:** All Windward rounding marks will be orange balls. The Leeward marks will be Green balls. The starting line and finish lines will be between an orange staff on a committee boat at the starboard end of the line and a yellow ball at the port end of the line.
10. **Starts:** Races will be started in accordance with RRS Appendix S.
11. **Changing the Course:** After the starting signal, the RC may change the position of any mark, provided that no yacht is on the leg of the course that the mark terminates and the configuration of the course is not changed. There will be no signal for such a change. (This changes RRS 33)
12. **Abandonment:** After the starting signal, the RC in consultation with the regatta chairman or jury may abandon the race as appropriate for any reason directly affecting the safety or fairness of the competition. A sound signal and the hail of "race abandoned" may be used in the place of other visual signals. (This changes RRS 32.1)
13. **The Finish:** If a boat is delaying the completion of a race, the RC may terminate the race and score the last boat equal to last place.
14. **Protests:** Shall be filed to the race office no later than 20 minutes after each rotation or after the last boat reaches shore following a postponement or final race of the day. This changes PR 30. Protests will be heard by two representatives from teams not involved in the protest.
15. **Scoring:** Procedural Rules will apply.
16. **Breakdowns:** Procedural Rules will apply.
17. **Safety:** Competitors who require assistance from rescue boats should so signify by waving arms overhead. A competitor who retires from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible.
18. **Capsized:** A capsized boat may be righted and sail on by its crew at any time. If the safety of the crew or boat is in jeopardy, or if the progress of the regatta is affected the RC may require that assistance be accepted and the competitors retire from the race.
19. **Coaching:** Procedural Rules will apply.