



## 2021 SOUTH AMERICAN STAR CHAMPIONSHIP 12<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Escola de Vela Lars Graef, City of Ilhabela  
and Yacht Club de Ilhabela

**Ilhabela – SP, Brazil**

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the International Star Class Yacht Racing Association (ISCYRA) in conjunction with the Yacht Club Ilhabela (YCI).

The notation '[NP]' in a rule in the SIs means it shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This change is added to RRS 60.1(a).

#### 1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. RRS Appendix P will apply. RRS P2.2 and P2.3 will not apply. RRS P2.1 is changed so that it will apply to the first and subsequent penalties. See also SI 3.3.
- 1.3. STCR 34.3.1 changes RRS 32 to provide that courses will not be shortened.
- 1.4. Per STCR 34.3.1, RRS 33b will apply; leg length may be changed within the parameters of the Format being sailed.
- 1.5. STCR 34.6.3 changes RRS 35, RRS A5, and RRS A10 to provide that boats not finishing within the stated time in the STCR after the first boat sails the course and finishes within the time limit will be scored "TLE" as defined therein.
- 1.6. STCR 35.5 changes RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.7. [DP][NP] While racing, boats shall display bow numbers. The OA will supply the numbers. Competitors are responsible for maintaining their bow numbers visible on both sides of the bow. See Attachment Beta

#### 2. Changes in the Sailing Instructions

- 2.1. Any change to the SI will be approved by the Principal Race Officer (PRO), and will be posted by 1000 on the day it will take effect, except that any

change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect. Failure to post notices on the regatta website will not be ground for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

2.2. Any change to the SI will be posted on the WhatsApp group created for the event **ONB SouthAm Star** and on the regatta website.

<https://2021sa.starchampionships.org>). -

### 3. Communication with Competitors

3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official WhatsApp group **ONB SouthAm Star**.

3.2. On the water, the Race Committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors and Support Persons via VHF radio on channel 74

3.3. Boats may be hailed by Race Officials by either Bow or Sail number.

3.4. Failure of any information to be given or received shall not be grounds for redress. Information gathered on any other VHF channel or RC communication channel shall not be grounds for redress, except when a request for redress under this instruction is initiated by the RC or the JURY. These changes are added to RRS 62.1.

### 4. Code of Conduct

4.1. [DP] Competitors and Support Persons shall comply with reasonable requests from Race Officials. Note RRS 37.

### 5. Team Weight

5.1. All teams must demonstrate compliance with STCR 31.1.3 prior to the end of measurement, at 1200 on 15<sup>th</sup> of November as *per* SI 7. There will be no further reweighing during the event except as provided in STCR 31.1.3.

### 6. Signals Made Ashore

6.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on WhatsApp group

6.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 60 minutes” in Race Signals AP.

### 7. Schedule

Thursday, November 11 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 – 18:00	Registration, Inspection of boats, Team Weigh-In
Friday, November 12 <sup>th</sup>	09:00 – 12:00	Registration, Inspection of boats, Team Weigh-In
	10:00	Opening Ceremony & Skippers Meeting
	12:00	First Warning Signal
	After Racing	Happy hour with beer
Saturday, November	12:00	First Warning Signal

13th	18:00	Star Class Dinner (dress code: blazer) at Pousada Armação dos Ventos
Sunday, November 14 <sup>th</sup>	12:00	Warning Signal
	After Racing	Happy hour with beer
Monday, November 15 <sup>th</sup>	12:00	First Warning Signal
	15:00	Latest time for last Warning Signal
	After Racing	Awards Ceremony

- 7.1. 8 races, per STCR 27, are scheduled.
- 7.2. The RC may change the schedule. 3 races per day may be sailed, per the Format being sailed per STCR 34.3.7. The Race Committee reserves the right to get one race ahead of schedule should expected sailing conditions warrant.
- 7.3. To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the orange starting line flags will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 7.4. No warning signal will be made after 1500 on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

## 8. Class Flag

The Class Flag will be a white flag with a red star.

## 9. Racing Area

- 9.1. The racing area(s) will be in the Canal de São Sebastião and its proximities - see Attachment ALFA.

## 10. Courses [NP]

- 10.1. Course "0", Course "1", Course "3", or Course "4", STCR 34.3, consistent with the Format being sailed, STCR 34.3.7, will be used.
- 10.2. No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee signal vessel will display the course and the approximate compass bearing and distance of the first leg.

## 11. Marks

- 11.1. Mark 1 (Windward) will be an inflatable yellow mark.
- 11.2. Mark 2 (Gybe, if used) and Mark 3 (Leeward Gate) will be inflatable yellow marks.
- 11.3. For Courses "3", and "4", Mark 2 (offset) will be an inflatable yellow mark.
- 11.4. At the mark beginning a downwind leg for courses "0", and "1", Mark 2 (offset) will be an inflatable yellow mark.
- 11.5. The starting marks will be the RC signal boat at the starboard end, and port pin end mark / boat.
- 11.6. The finishing marks will be a RC service/mark boat at the starboard end, and red buoy.

11.7. Change marks are inflatable orange.

## **12. The Start**

- 12.1. [NP] [DP] Prior to the first warning signal of the first race of the day, boats shall sail on Starboard Tack by the stern of the RC starboard-end boat, displaying flag L, to be recorded.
- 12.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starboard end RC vessel and the Course side of a Starting Mark buoy.
- 12.3. In the event of an individual recall, the bow or sail numbers or other identification of any boat or boats that are identified as OCS may be announced on VHF Channel 74. Failure of a boat to see or hear her recall notification, and the timing and order of such hails, or the length of time it takes to make a notification on the VHF will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 29.1 and 60.1(b) and NoR 3.2.
- 12.4. A boat not starting within ten (10) minutes after the starting signal will be scored "Did Not Start" (DNS), without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1: A5 and STCR 34.7.

## **13. Changing the Next Leg of the Course**

- 13.1. To change the next leg of the course, the RC will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 13.2. [NP] In addition to signaling the change from a RC service/mark boat, the RC will attempt to announce the change on VHF Channel 74 as boats approach the RC service/mark boat signaling the change.

## **14. The Finish**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the starboard end and the course side of a nearby finishing Mark on the port end.

## **15. Penalty System**

- 15.1. Appendix T1, Post-race penalties, will apply.
- 15.2. Penalties for RRS 50 (Competitor Clothing and Equipment) and Class Rules where the penalty for a breach is not defined will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be less than disqualification.

## **16. Time Limits**

- 16.1. The time limits will be as specified in STCR 34.3.7 and 34.6.3 (see SI 1.6), for the Format being sailed in the Regatta.

## **17. Hearing Requests**

- 17.1. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered Online WhatsApp Group. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- 17.2. The protest time limit shall be one (1) hour after the docking time of the RC finish vessel. The protest time limit will be posted in the WhatsApp group - **ONB SouthAm Star**.
- 17.3. Notices will be posted on the WhatsApp Group no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties. Hearings will be held at the Race Office in the new Lounge at YCI and parties and their witnesses should report there at the scheduled time.
- 17.4. Within the protest time limit, the RC shall post the bow numbers or sail numbers of all of the boats that are disqualified or penalized under RRS A5.1.

### **18. Scoring:**

- 18.1. The scoring system is the Low Point System in RRS Appendix A.
- 18.2. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with her worst score discarded when more than four (4) races are completed.
- 18.3. There will be a Master's division, a Grand Master's division, and an Exalted Grand Master's division. Entrants in these divisions also will be competing for the overall Championship. (see also SI 26.)
- 18.4. To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring inquiry form available or at the Jury desk.

### **19. Liability and Safety [NP][DP]**

- 19.1. The safety of a boat and her entire management, including insurance, shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner and/or entrant.
- 19.2. Competitors leaving the race course before the end of a race shall inform the RC or the JURY as soon as possible.
- 19.3. Competitors not leaving the dock on a race day shall inform the race office.

### **20. Replacement of Crew or Equipment**

- 20.1. Any request for a change of crew shall be submitted to the RC in writing prior to 0930 on the day of the race for which the change is to be made. If the RC grants permission, it will do so in writing and post such notice on the official notice board.
- 20.2. A change of helmsman will not be permitted.
- 20.3. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Technical Committee.

20.4. Requests for substitution shall be made to the TC at the first reasonable opportunity.

### **21. Event Advertising [NP] [DP]**

Boats shall display event advertising supplied by the OA. World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.

### **22. Official Boats**

22.1 Official boats will be marked as follows:

22.1.1. Race Committee Signal Boat: "RC flag"

22.1.2. Jury boats: White flag with black "J"

22.1.3. Press boats: Green flag with "MEDIA"

22.2. [NP] Service/Mark boats may be stationed beyond each mark. At the finish, the mark boat may be stationed at the finishing line. When on station only, each mark boats will display 'a large visible flag or shape'. Failure of a mark boats to be on station or to display her signal will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

### **23. Support Boats**

23.1. Coach boats, support boats and private spectator boats are expected to monitor VHF channel 74 and to render assistance to a boat in danger when requested by the boat, or at the request of the RC or Jury. See RRS 37.

23.2. [NP] Coach boats, support boats and private spectator boats shall stay 100 meters outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the warning signal until all boats have finished racing, except as provided in SI 24.1.

23.3. [NP] A boat shall receive no outside assistance from coach boats, support boats or private spectator boats once she has left the dock for the day until the finish of the last race of the day, except in the case of emergency and/or towing supplied by the OA and available to all participants.

23.4. [NP] Coach and support boats associated with a competitor shall register in the RO. All such boats should monitor VHF channel 74.

### **24. Haul out Restrictions [NP] [DP]**

24.1. All boats shall be kept at their assigned locations at Yacht Club Ilhabela from 10<sup>th</sup> November until the end of the Championship and can only be taken out of the water with prior authorization from the Race Committee or Jury.

## **25. Diving Equipment and Plastic Pools [NP] [DP]**

- 25.1. Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the Championship.

## **26. Prizes**

- 26.1. Perpetual Trophies will be awarded according to STCR 24.
- 26.2. Series prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first through fifth.
- 26.3. Master's trophies will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first through third in the series for skippers aged 50 through 59 before the start of the first race. Competitors in the Master's Division also will compete for series prizes. (SI 19.3).
- 26.4. Grand Master's trophies will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first through third in the Series for skippers aged 60 through 69 before the start of the first race. Competitors in the Grand Master's Division also will compete for series prizes.
- 26.5. Exalted Grand Master's trophies will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first through third in the Series for skippers aged 70 or over before the start of the first race. Competitors in the Exalted Grand Master's Division also will compete for series prizes.
- 26.6. The OA and the Hosts reserve the right to award additional prizes at their sole discretion

## **27. Risk Statement**

- 27.1. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

## **28. Insurance**

- 28.1. Boats sailing in this regatta (each 'person in charge' per RRS 46) must be adequately insured and shall hold a valid insurance certificate showing proof of third party liability for racing risks.







*Note: Not to Scale*