



# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

## 2016 'ROUND THE ISLAND 50/50



September 16 – 18, 2016  
Fort Walton Yacht Club  
Fort Walton Beach, Florida

### 1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

### 2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notice to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the back patio at FWYC Friday/Saturday morning and Battery Worth Pavilion at Fort Pickens Saturday night/Sunday morning then returned to back patio at FWYC Sunday afternoon.

### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board by 0600 on race days.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole on the western lawn at FWYC Friday/Saturday morning and the beach directly north of Battery Worth Pavilion at Fort Pickens Saturday night/Sunday morning then the flagpole on the western lawn at FWYC Sunday afternoon.

### 5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, September 16	4:30 PM – 6:00 PM	Check-In & Late Registration @AJ's
	6:00 PM – 7:30 PM	Skippers Meeting & Welcome Social @AJ's
Saturday, September 17	5:30 AM	Coffee on Back Porch
	6:55 AM	First Warning, Bermuda Start to Follow
	7:00 AM	First Start
	6:00 PM	Fort Pickens BBQ @Battery Worth
Sunday, September 18	6:30 AM	Continental Breakfast @Battery Worth
	7:25 AM	First Warning, Bermuda Start to Follow
	7:30 AM	First Start
	Throughout the Day	Food and Refreshments @ Finish Line
	Last Finisher + 30 minutes	Trophy Presentation

### 6. CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 The class flag will be a Pink flag for a single start.
- 6.2 Saturday, the "C" Change of Course flag will be displayed if alternate course #2 is to be sailed from the FWYC gazebo flagpole.

### 7. THE COURSES

- 7.1 The racing area will be on the waters of Choctawhatchee Bay, the Gulf of Mexico, Pensacola Bay, and Santa Rosa Sound
- 7.2 The course sheets show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order and the side on in which the marks are to be passed.
- 7.3 Course descriptions:

Saturday Course #1 - Gulf of Mexico:

START between FWYC gazebo flagpole and yellow tetrahedron mark located approximately 100 yards north of FWYC gazebo flagpole. 'Round Destin East Pass #17 green lighted day marker to starboard. 'Round Destin East Pass #13 green buoy to starboard. Pass under the Destin Bridge and 'round Destin Pass #3 green lighted day marker (at end of Jetty) to

starboard. Sail 18 NM west in the Gulf of Mexico pass the white Smyth Sails tetrahedron to port located approximately 200 yards south of the Navarre Pier. Sail 24 NM west to the Pensacola Pass 'round #10 red entrance buoy to starboard. Sail north, 'round #14 Red entrance buoy to starboard. Sail east to FINISH between #18 Red buoy to port and pink flag on the beach located south of #18 at Fort Pickens.

**Saturday Alternate Course #2 – Santa Rosa Sound:**

START between FWYC Gazebo flagpole and yellow tetrahedron mark located approximately 100 yards north of FWYC gazebo flagpole. Sail east 'round #5 Garnier Bayou green lighted day marker to starboard. Sail south 'round #8 inter-coastal red nun buoy to starboard. Sail west through the inter-coastal under (3) bridges: Fort Walton Beach – Brooks Bridge, Navarre and Gulf Breeze. Sail west to FINISH between #18 red buoy to starboard and AJ's flag on the beach located south of #18 at Fort Pickens.

**Sunday Course – Santa Rosa Sound:**

START between #18 red buoy to port and AJ's flag on the beach located south of #18 at Fort Pickens. Sail east thru the inter-coastal under (3) bridges: Gulf Breeze, Navarre and the Fort Walton Beach – Brooks Bridge. 'Round #8 inter-coastal red nun buoy to port. Sail north 'round #5 Garnier Bayou green lighted day marker to port. Sail west to FINISH between FWYC flagpole and yellow tetrahedron located 100 yards north of FWYC gazebo flagpole.

**8. MARKS**

- 8.1 Courses will utilize Government, Club and/or temporary marks.

**9. THE START**

- 9.1 There will be a progressive Bermuda start with each boat starting after their assigned start time.  
9.2 Saturday the starting line will be between the FWYC gazebo flagpole and yellow tetrahedron mark located approximately 100 yards north of FWYC gazebo flagpole.  
9.3 Sunday the starting line will be between #18 red buoy to port and AJ's flag on the beach located south of #18 at Fort Pickens.  
9.4 In the event of individual recalls, the race committee will endeavor to hail offending boats. Failure to broadcast, broadcast in a timely manner, or be heard by the offending boats will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

**10. THE FINISH**

- 10.1 Saturday the finishing line will be between the #18 red buoy to port and AJ's flag on the beach located south of #18 at Fort Pickens.  
10.2 Sunday the finishing line will be between FWYC flagpole and yellow tetrahedron located 100 yards north of FWYC gazebo flagpole.

**11. TIME LIMITS**

There is no time limit to finish this race.

**12. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 12.1 Protests forms will be available on the FWYC bulletin board in the clubhouse.  
12.2 The protest time limit is one (1) hour after each boat's finish.  
12.3 Written protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to any onshore Race Committee representative within the protest time limit.

**13. SCORING**

- 13.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.  
13.2 Starting times are based on the RTI 50/50 Rating System. Starting time will be assigned and given out at Skippers Meeting Friday at AJ's on the Bayou, and posted on the Official Notice Board located on the back patio at FWYC Friday/Saturday morning, Battery Worth Pavilion at Fort Pickens Saturday night/Sunday morning then returned to back patio at FWYC Sunday finishes.

13.3 A boat that is on the course side at her scheduled starting time shall be penalized one (1) place for each 30 seconds over.

**14. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

14.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee by any means as soon as possible.

14.2 Race Committee phone number is 850-305-9653.

**15. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

15.1 The race committee will broadcast/monitor VHF channel 72.

**16. PRIZES**

16.1 Awards ceremony will be Sunday, 18 September, 30 minutes after last finisher.

16.2 The number of awards presented will be based on the registered entries as of September 1, 2016.

**17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Fort Walton Yacht Club will not accept any responsibility for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with the regatta.



- A. Worth Battery Pavilion**
- B. Finish Line**
- C. Finishing Beach**
- D. Campsites**
- E. Overflow Parking**

**Good to Know:**

1. Gates close at 10:00 p.m.; registered campers arriving late, please call 850 934-2622 by 4:30 p.m. for gate code; non-registered campers must arrive prior to closing.
2. Pets are not allowed on beaches or inside structures.
3. Race Committee Contact:  
John Farris – 850-305-9653