

SAILORS CHOICE RACE



Course Marks, Distances, Weather Forecasts, Event Schedule Non-Formal Discussion

The Sailing Instructions Posted offer 5 marks of the course, Start, Great Isaacs Light, Ocean Cay Sea Buoy, Miami Harbor Entrance Sea Buoy, and the Finish at Buoy 3 Port Everglades Channel. "Sailor's Choice" refers to the concept of allowing competitors to sail around those course marks clockwise or counterclockwise. The Sailing Instructions allow for a modification of those course marks in the event of weather situations, safety concerns, and the desire to provide an enjoyable experience in an offshore race with a scheduled cocktail awards party on Saturday evening.

This discussion involves acknowledging the R/C's intention to possibly make a decision to remove one of the course marks from the race in light of the current longer term weather models for Friday/Saturday November 21/22. The R/C understands the varying VPPs for the competitors and would like to target finish times early morning to mid morning/noon on Saturday.

This discussion is not a formal race document but simply advance notice of what the R/C is contemplating. The Sailing Instructions Supplemental Section 6.2 indicates that the R/C will give notice of any change to the course marks by 1700 hours Thursday November 21. As we get closer to Thursday, the R/C will use data from the fleet's faster and slower boats together with wind forecast models to make this decision.

Additionally, please provide your tracker information to Carol Ewing at lightning@cofs.com before the Skippers Meeting. This is your URL provided through either SPOT or Garmin InReach. If you have any questions, please call Carol and she will help you with this. 305-785-4777. The link you can share with your friends for the Kattack page is <http://kws.kattack.com/WPlayer/WPosDisplay.aspx?FeedID=1875>

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