

St Thomas Yacht Club

Sailing Instructions

Sunday Big Boat Rally #1: Whistling Cay Through Fungi Passage

Sunday January 21, 2024

Organizing Authority: St Thomas Yacht Club and St Thomas Sailing Center

1. RULES

The rally will be governed by the Notice of Rally and the current Rules of Sailing, except as modified by these Sailing Instructions

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

The rally is open to monohulls 24' and over with or without spinnaker. There will be 2 classes: 1) IC-24's and 2) monohulls 24' and over. Competitors may enter by registering in person, by phone, or on [this link](#) with STYC prior to 8:45 AM on Sunday January 21, 2024. Entry fee is \$40. The entry fee is non-refundable.

3. SKIPPERS MEETING

A competitors meeting will be held at STYC at 8:45 AM on Sunday January 21, 2024 at the St Thomas Yacht Club

4. VENUE

The rally will take place on the waters of Pillsbury Sound and the Caribbean Sea

5. THE START AND THE FINISH

The course to be sailed will be from the starting line between the Green Buoy off Cabrita Point and the Rally Committee Boat. The first starting five (5) minute warning signal will occur at 10:00 AM, followed by the starting signal five (5) minutes later at 10:05 AM. The finish line will be between the Green Buoy off Cabrita Point and the Rally Committee Boat

6. THE COURSE AND MARKS

The course distance is approximately 11.5 nm.

1. Starting line at the Green Buoy off Cabrita Point
2. Rally participants will round Whistling Cay to port and
3. Finish line at the Green Buoy off Cabrita Point.

7. SCORING

For the IC-24 class scoring will be adjusted by PHRF rating for spinnaker or non-spinnaker. For the Monohulls 24' and over class, scoring will be adjusted by PHRF for spinnaker or non-spinnaker PHRF time on distance.

Ratings will be adjusted based on whether a team declares the use of a spinnaker or not. Each class will be scored based on the order of finish on corrected time

8. VHF COMMUNICATION

All vessels must monitor VHF channel 72

9. PRIZES

Trophies to be awarded for placing yachts in both classes, followed by hamburgers and hot dogs on the STYC grill.

10. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the rally entirely at their own risk. See rule 4. Decision to participate. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the rally.

11. FURTHER INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION

Please contact the St Thomas Sailing Center (340) 690-3681 or email info@stthomassailingcenter.com for more information. You can register and pay the entry fee [here](#).