

# Oklahoma City Boat Club

## Notice of Regatta

	Event	Long Distance Race – 2025
<b>Sailing Instructions</b>		The attached supplement to the standard OCBC Sailing Instructions shall apply for this regatta only.
<b>Where</b>		Lake Hefner – Oklahoma City, OK
<b>Dates</b>		August 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2025
<b>Authority</b>		Oklahoma City Boat Club
<b>Rules</b>		All races will be governed by the “ <i>rules</i> ” as defined by the 2025-2028 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
<b>Classes</b>		This is a PHRF handicap race. Centerboard boats will use their respective Portsmouth Dpn, converted to a PHRF rating by the Lake Hefner Rating Committee. All boats will compete in a single class.
<b>Eligibility</b>		Open to any member in good standing of a recognized sailing organization. All boats must comply with Lake Hefner regulations.
<b>Schedule</b>	Saturday	1800-1915 Registration 1930 Competitors meeting 2000 LeMans start first boat from OCBC porch The race is expected to last about 4 hours. <b>Breakfast follows.</b>
<b>Starts</b>		This is a reverse handicap race. One crew member from each boat must leave the starting line on the OCBC porch no earlier than the boat’s designated starting time as determined by the Race Committee. The boat may not leave her designated mooring until that crew member is on board. Motors may be used only while inside the inner breakwaters.
<b>Scoring</b>		Appendix A as modified by the Sailing Instructions. In addition to the staggered start, all elapsed times will be corrected using the PHRF ratings. This is a one race event.
<b>Substitution</b>		Not applicable. This is a one race event.

- Measurement** This is a PHRF handicap race. All boats must hold valid Lake Hefner PHRF certificates, except for centerboard boats, whose Portsmouth Dpn will be converted to a PHRF rating using a formula in the scoring program.
- Courses** The course will be determined and announced by the Race Committee at the competitors meeting and will be posted on the regatta bulletin board.
- Appeal** Decisions of the Protest Committee with regard to protests, requests for redress and other actions by the Race or Protest Committee shall be subject to appeal according to rule 70 of the RRS.
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## **Sailing Instructions Supplement Long Distance Race – 2017**

- 6. Schedule:** This replaces Sailing Instruction #6.  
1800-1915 Registration  
1930 Competitors Meeting  
2000 LeMans start from porch for first boat  
The race is designed to last about 4 hours – Breakfast will be served after.
- 7. Course:** (2) Add the following: Any temporary mark will be accompanied by a “stake boat” displaying her “at anchor” light.  
(5) Stake boats or race committee boats may be stationed at any mark and may require each competitor to identify herself in order to be recorded as having rounded that mark.
- 9. The Start:** This replaces RRS #26 and OCBC Sailing Instruction # 9.  
(1) This is a reverse handicap race. Each competitor’s PHRF rating will be used to estimate the time required to sail the course. These estimates will be used to determine each boat’s starting time, the slowest boat starting first, followed by faster boats at one minute intervals, so that all boats are predicted to finish at approximately the same time.  
(2) The start will be a “LeMans” type start with the starting line being on the OCBC porch. One crew member, the “designated starter,” from each boat must be on the porch and may not cross the starting line before the respective boat’s designated starting time.

(3) All boats must remain moored to at least one piling at their respective slip until the designated starter is on board. Boats that do not have slips may be tied to the seawall in the snipe harbor instead but not to the end of "A" dock. Boats may be fully rigged with sails raised.

(4) Designated starters for boats on "B" dock will be allowed to start one minute early. Designated starters for "C" dock boats will be allowed to start two minutes early.

(5) For safety reasons, all boats will be allowed to use motors while leaving the harbor. A boat, however, may not motor beyond the line between the points of the inner breakwaters.

**11. The Finish:** This replaces RRS Definition of Finishing and OCBC Sailing Instruction #12.

(1) The finish will also be on the OCBC porch. Upon returning to her original starting location (slip or seawall) each boat shall dispatch one crew member to report to the race official on the porch. Her official finish time will be the time such crew member reported to the race official.

(2) Boats arriving at "B" dock will have their finish time recorded as one minute earlier than the crew member reported in. Boats on "C" dock will be recorded as having finished two minutes earlier.

(3) For safety reasons, all boats will be allowed to use motors when entering the harbor. Such motor may not be engaged before the boat crosses the line between the points of the inner breakwaters.

(4) The race committee may shorten the course by stationing a signal boat or stake boat at any rounding mark, displaying an "S" flag and attempting to notify all boats to sail directly to the finish after rounding that mark. Failure of a boat to be notified shall not be grounds for redress.

**12. Time Limit:** This replaces SI #14. There is no time limit for this race. The course may be shortened, however, in order to finish within a reasonable time, as determined by the race committee.

**14. Scoring:** Add the following: (8) The reverse handicap start is an estimate to help all boats to finish fairly close together, regardless of performance differences. The actual elapsed times of all boats, considering their staggered start times, will be adjusted by their respective PHRF ratings to determine their corrected finish times for purposes of scoring.

**15. Fleets:** This replaces SI #17. This is a PHRF handicap race. Fleet divisions, if any, will be determined by the race committee, based on the number of entrants, and posted on the bulletin board no later than the close of the competitors meeting.