

BEQUIA 2020 EASTER REGATTA



8th – 13th April 2020

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY: The Bequia Sailing Club, Box 220BQ, Bequia, St. Vincent & the Grenadines

The 2020 Bequia Easter Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the 2020 CSA rating rule, and the J24 Class Declaration and Amendments. Race Headquarters will be located at the Plantation Hotel. The Regatta is classified as a Category C Event, World Sailing Regulation 20.3.1.

SAFETY: Vessel and crew safety equipment are the sole responsibility of each skipper. Competitors are referred to the Safety Recommendations on the Bequia Regatta website (www.bequiaregatta.com).

CLASSES:	Racing:	spinnaker, CSA Certificate
	J24:	One Design Class, spinnaker
	Surprise:	One Design Class, spinnaker
	Cruising I:	non-spinnaker, upwind sails only, CSA Certificate
	Cruising II:	non-spinnaker, upwind sails only, CSA Simplified Rating Rule*
	Windward Island Sloop:	spinnaker, Simplified Rating Rule*
	Junior Sailors:	Optimist, Bic, and Laser Pico Classes (not to CSA Rules)

*Ratings under the CSA Simplified Rating Rule are intended for vessels without a CSA measurement certificate. Ratings in this class will be issued by the Regatta Measurer, guided principally by the CSA Simplified Rating Rule, and will be valid for this regatta only.

ENTRY FEE: All Classes, except Junior Sailors: \$300EC or
Early Bird Discount: \$260EC (if pre-registered **in full** by Friday, 3 April 2020 at 1700)

PRE-REGISTRATION:

To qualify for the **pre-registration discount**, visit the Bequia Regatta website (www.bequiaregatta.com) to download and then submit your fully completed entry form on-line by 1700 on Friday, 3 April. Entry forms can also be emailed on request: contact bequiasailingclub@gmail.com. Confirmation of receipt will be provided. **Failure to provide all required details by the above deadline may result in loss of discount.**

REGISTRATION:

Registration in person will take place at Race Headquarters from 1400 - 1700 on Wednesday, 8 April and from 1000 - 1530 on Thursday, 9 April. Late entries may be subject to a \$100EC penalty.

- **If you intend to race in the Racing or Cruising I Classes**, you must submit a valid 2020 CSA Measurement Certificate before the close of registration at 1530 on Thursday, 9 April. Attention is also drawn to paragraph 3.5 of the CSA Rating Rule.
- **If you intend to race in the J24 Class**, a Class Declaration and Amendments must be signed at registration. A copy of this Declaration and Amendments will be posted on the Bequia Regatta website (www.bequiaregatta.com).
- **If you intend to race in the Cruising II or Windward Island Sloop Classes**, you must supply **all** the "vital statistics" of your boat when you register or pre-register on-line (LOA, LWL, Beam, Draft, Rig and Sail areas, including downwind sails for Windward Island Sloop Class), together with any prior racing or rating details.
- **If you intend to race in Cruising I, Cruising II, or Windward Island Sloop Classes**, you must declare your intended sail configuration by close of registration at 1530 on Thursday, 9 April.

SKIPPER BRIEFING: Thursday, 9 April 2020 at 1730 at Race Headquarters, Plantation Hotel, followed by Welcome Party.

SCHEDULE OF YACHT RACES - FIRST WARNINGS:

Friday, 10 April	0955:	J24 & Surprise Race
	0955:	Friendship Bay Race (all other Classes)
Saturday, 11 April	0855:	J24 & Surprise Race (first of this day's 3- race series)
	0955:	Around Bequia Race (Racing, Cruising I, Cruising II, and Windward Island Sloop) (see NOR Amendment No. 1)
	1025:	Windward Island Sloop Race
Sunday, 12 April	0855:	J24 & Surprise Race (first of this day's 2- race series)
	0955:	Admiralty Bay Triangle Race (all other Classes)
	1000:	Junior Sailors (not to CSA Rules)
Monday, 13 April	1100:	Awards Ceremony & Farewell Party

NOTICE OF RACE AMENDMENT NO. 1

The Schedule of Yacht Races – First Warnings is amended by deleting the 1025 warning for the Windward Island Sloop class on Saturday, 11 April.

Racing conditions permitting, the first warning for the Windward Island Sloop class on Saturday, 11 April will be at 0955. If, in the opinion of the Principal Race Officer, the racing conditions will not permit the Windward Island Sloop class to compete safely in the around Bequia race, then an alternate course will be raced. Notification of the alternate course will be given in accordance with the Sailing Instructions. The first warning for the alternate course race, if any, will be 1025.

Dated January 2020