



OCEAN CITY YACHT CLUB

## **Addendum: COVID-19 PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES FOR BAY SERIES RACING**

The policies outlined in this document are intended to provide guidance for the Friday Night Bay Series races. As always, the safety and well-being of our sailors is our highest priority. This year, COVID-19 presents many challenges to our sailing programs. As a result, the Ocean City Yacht Club has issued guidelines that need to be followed so that all sailors can demonstrate and develop their sailing skills and have fun in a safe environment.

To accomplish this, it is critical that each sailor understand and follow this policy. We will review this policy and continue to enforce it throughout the racing series.

### ***Suggestions for dealing with COVID 19***

- All activities will follow the most up-to-date guidance for social distancing, personal protective equipment, and sanitation as provided by the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). This information is updated continuously and should be reviewed frequently by participants in the race series. See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html> for current information.
- Furthermore, US Sailing provides specific guidance with respect to the conduct of participants and officials of sanctioned events such as the Bay Series races. Everyone should familiarize themselves with this current practical guidance here: <https://www.ussailing.org/membership/organizations/resources/> .
- Sailors who are feeling sick, have a fever or have been in contact with someone who may have been exposed to COVID-19 within the last 14 days should not participate in any event.
- Social distancing should be respected by all sailors and the importance of frequent hand washing/sanitizing should be understood and practiced. At this time, in order to satisfy the intent of the CDC social distancing guidance, it is expected that the crew of each boat will be comprised of solely family/household members as social distancing is not practical on these classes of boats.
- Any onshore policies and guidance will be defined and notification will be provided by marinas and OCYC as appropriate.
- All skippers and crew that participate in any OCYC Friday Night Bay races accept and understand the inherent risks involved in exposure to disease causing agents such as COVID19. With full knowledge of the inherent risks involved, they are voluntarily participating and accept all risks that may be associated with participation in the race series.