



PALM BEACH PADDLEFEST OFFICIAL RACE RULES

Long Course Race Rules (approx. 6 Miles)

- Mandatory pre-race meeting will take place at 9:30 a.m. at Stage Area
- Race starts at 10:00 a.m.
- All racers must be in the water and ready at least five minutes prior to race start
- Personal flotation device (PFD) and board leash are mandatory (no leashed needed in sit down crafts)

Race Route (maps will be placed onsite and on event website):

- The race will pass under the US1 Bridge and round Burt Reynolds Park
- Once racers pass the north side of Burt Reynolds Park, turn left at the large buoy. Do not cross the channel
- Head south and turn left at the next buoy heading east around Snake Island
- Head back north towards Harbourside Place and stay left of the start/finish buoy to complete two more laps (3 laps in total)
- Be sure to stay as close to Burt Reynolds Park to not interfere with the finish line
- On the third lap stay to the right of the start/finish buoy to cross the finish line between buoy and the dock

- Racers can only cross the finish line after the third and final lap. If a racers cuts through the finish line their timing and race position will be penalized according to the finish line judge.
- Quickly move out of finish line area upon race completion
- No drafting out of class – i.e. No 14' drafting 12.6', male drafting female, boats same class, etc. (5-minute penalty per incident)
- Hazards: Watch out for rocks, shallow areas, navigational hazards and boat traffic

Short Course Race Rules (approx. 2 Miles)

- Mandatory pre-race meeting at 11:00 a.m. at Stage Area
- Race starts at 11:30 a.m.
- All racers must be in the water at least five minutes prior to race start
- Must display racer bib and wear ankle chip (must be worn for timer)
- Personal flotation device (PFD) and board leash are mandatory (no leashed needed in sit down crafts)

Race Route (maps will be placed on-site and on event website):

- The race will pass under the US1 Bridge and round Burt Reynolds Park
- Once racers pass the north side of Burt Reynolds Park, turn left at the large buoy. Do not cross the channel.
- Head south and turn left at the next buoy heading around Burt Reynolds Park again. Lap around Burt Reynolds again.
- Come around the Island and head towards Harbourside Place and stay to the right of the start/finish buoy to cross the finish line between buoy and the dock.

- Racers can only cross the finish line after the third and final lap. If a racers cuts through the finish line their timing and race position will be penalized according to the finish line judge.
- Quickly move out of finish line area upon race completion
- No drafting out of class – i.e. No 14' drafting 12.6', male drafting female, boats same class, etc. (5 minute penalty per incident)
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Race Bibs:

All race bibs must be placed in the center of your chest. It cannot be placed in your vessel, on your pants, etc. If failed to do so, times can't be guaranteed and you may be disqualified.

Registration & Entry Fees:

Registration fees include the following:

- Race Entry
- Race Shirt (*shirt size not guaranteed)
- Racer's Lounge Voucher (food and water provided)
- Beer Voucher (21+ only)
- Free "Paddle Parking" area (un-manned)
- Access to board loading/unloading zone

Now through February 7 (by 12pm) entry fee:

6 Mile = \$50

2 Mile = \$40

Day of entry fee:

6 Mile = \$65

2 Mile = \$55

Cash Prizes & Awards:

6 mile Stand Up (14' and under) Male & Female

1st: \$750

2nd: \$500

3rd: \$250

Surfski Male & Female

1st: \$250

Long Course Race Divisions

Categories:

- SUP 12'6
- SUP 14
- Prone (All)
- OC-1
- OC-2
- Surfski Single

- Kayak
- Other

Age Groups (M/F):

- Under 18
- 18 - 50
- 51+

Awards:

First place winners (by age group) within each category will receive a trophy. Second and third place winners (by age group) will receive a medal.

Short Course Race Divisions:

Awards will be given out to SUP (All ages) for 1st through 5th place. First place winner will receive a trophy. Second through fifth place will receive a medal.

Palm Beach Paddlefest / The Marine Industries Association of Palm Beach County, Inc. reserves the right to change these rules without notes. Separate waiver to acknowledge that each participant has read and agrees to all rules. Dispute resolution.