



BERMUDA

MARINE BOARD (CONTROL OVER MARITIME TRAFFIC)
(SAIL GP BERMUDA RACE COURSE RESTRICTIONS) NOTICE 2021

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The Minister responsible for marine and ports services, in exercise of the power conferred by section 10(1)(a), (aa) and (b) of the Marine Board Act 1962 issues the following Notice:

Citation

1 This Notice may be cited as the Marine Board (Control Over Maritime Traffic) (Sail GP Bermuda Race Course Restrictions) Notice 2021.

Interpretation

2 In this Notice—

“boat” includes ship and personal watercraft (jet-ski);

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“boundary markers” means buoys with distinctive Sail GP identification marking the boundary of the exclusion zone;

“exclusion zone” means the area around the race course within the boundary markers;

“marshal boat” means a boat operated by Sail GP staff or volunteers to establish and patrol the exclusion zone;

“race course area” means the area of the Great Sound shown in blue shading and edged in blue dashes on the plan in the Schedule;

“race course”, in relation to a race day, means such part of the race course area within the exclusion zone as is identified by Sail GP as the race course for that day;

“race day” means each day from Monday 19 April 2021 to Sunday 25 April 2021;

“race times” means the period from 12 noon to 5:00pm on each race day, except for the following dates when the period will be 9:00am to 5:00pm—

- (a) Monday 19 April 2021;
- (b) Tuesday 20 April 2021;
- (c) Wednesday 21 April 2021;
- (d) Thursday 22 April 2021;

“Sail GP Bermuda” means F50 League Bermuda Ltd, a company incorporated in Bermuda;

“Sail GP Bermuda race yachts” means the yachts competing in any of the Sail GP races;

“Sail GP flag” means one of the official flags distributed by Sail GP Bermuda authorising a boat to access a specified part of the exclusion zone.

Sail GP Bermuda races

3 The Sail GP Bermuda races and practice races will take place within the race course area on each race day during the race times.

Protection of race yachts

4 No person shall approach within 60 metres of any of the Sail GP race yachts at any time while in the race course area.

Closure of exclusion zone

5 The exclusion zone around the race course for each race day will be closed to all marine traffic during the race times.

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Display of flag

6 All mariners, pilots and boatmen within the exclusion zones during the race times must—

- (a) display prominently on their boat a Sail GP flag; and
- (b) remain within the designated part of the exclusion zone authorised by Sail GP by the display of that flag.

Caution to be exercised by mariners in and around exclusion zone

7 (1) All mariners, pilots and boatmen within the exclusion zone during the race times must—

- (a) keep clear of the race course; and
- (b) exercise extreme caution at all times, in particular if approaching the boundary of the race course.

(2) A five-knot no wake restriction shall apply to all boats in the area extending 100 metres outside the exclusion zone during the race times.

Patrol of marine traffic

8 For the purpose of enforcement of this Notice, coast guard and marshal boats will patrol the exclusion zone and the area extending 100 metres outside the exclusion zone.

Offence

9 It is an offence under section 10(3)(a) of the Marine Board Act 1962 for the master of a ship or boat to fail to observe the requirements of this Notice, punishable on summary conviction in accordance with section 112 of that Act.

Exemptions for certain boats

10 (1) Paragraphs 4 to 7 do not apply to—

- (a) the Sail GP race yachts while participating in the Sail GP races and practice races;
- (b) the coast guard and marshal boats;
- (c) the Regatta Officials.

(2) Paragraphs 5 and 6 do not apply to boats providing scheduled ferry services under Part VI of the Marine Board Act 1962.

(3) Paragraphs 4 and 5 do not apply to boats authorised by Sail GP to be within the exclusion zone by the display of a Sail GP flag.

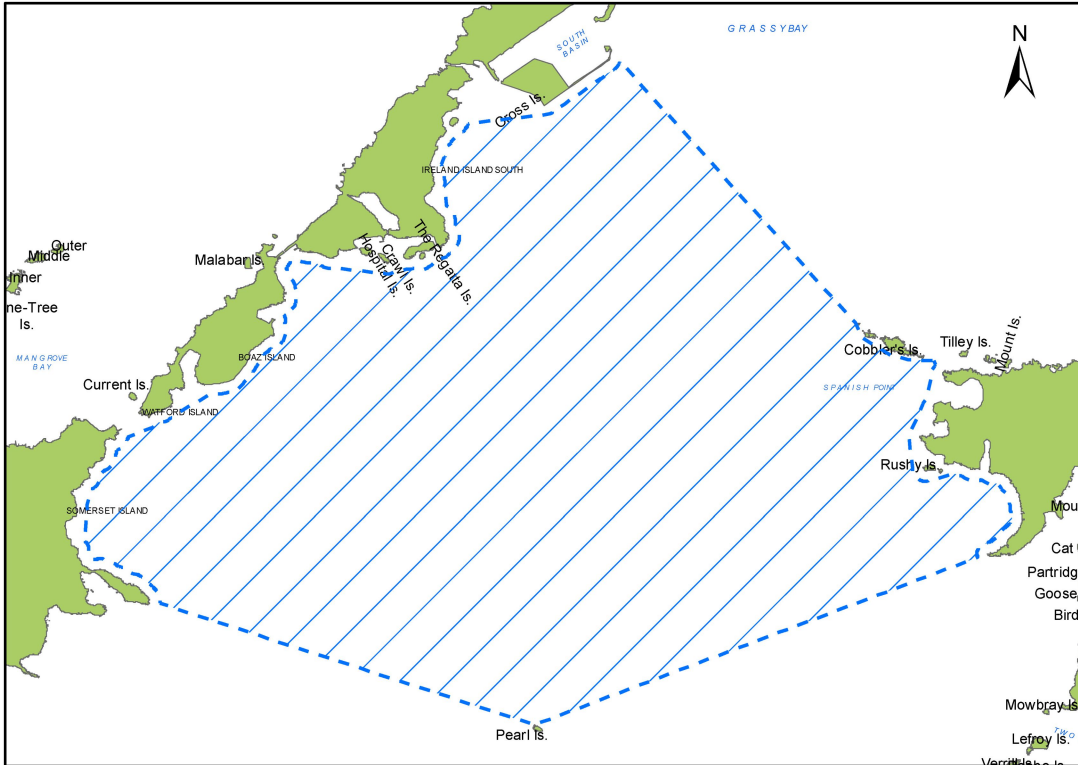
(4) Paragraph 6 does not apply to the coast guard while providing services within the race course.

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SCHEDULE

(Paragraph 2)

PLAN OF RACE COURSE AREA



Made this 9th day of April 2021

Minister of Transport

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