

THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB



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FALL CLASSIC REGATTA

October 15-16, 2011

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organizing Authority: The San Francisco Yacht Club, Belvedere, California

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 RRS 40 is deleted and replaced with: "All competitors shall wear life jackets, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment." Note that Flag Y will not be displayed.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located outside on The SFYC deck.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the main flagpole adjacent to the club house. When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 90 minutes" in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 **Saturday, October 15** - Two races are scheduled.
Sunday, October 16 - Two races are scheduled.

5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1200 hours.

5.3 After the first race each day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boats that another race will begin soon, a series of short sound signals and/or a radio announcement on VHF 65 may be made.

6 CLASS FLAG

The Class Flags will be standard numeric signal flags:

- IOD – One
- Knarr – Two
- Folkboat – Three
- Bear – Four
- AE28 – Five

The Bird Boat Fleet will not participate.

7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the vicinity of Point Knox, west of Angel Island.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 Attachment A shows the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 There may be an Offset Mark “O” set in the vicinity of the Weather Mark “W”. If present, the offset mark shall be passed in sequence as designated in the course descriptions of **Attachment A**.

8.3 Mark “G” is a gate. If one of the gate marks is missing, the remaining leeward mark shall be rounded to port.

8.4 The course to be sailed will be designated by placards displayed from the race committee signal boat.

9 MARKS

All Marks will be red inflatable marks.

10 THE START

10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of a red inflatable buoy, or the starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on two race committee boats.

10.2 The warning signal for succeeding classes will be with or after the starting signal for the preceding class. Classes may be started in any order, although in the first race each day expect that classes will be started in the order listed in instruction 6 above.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

12 THE FINISH

The finish line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and the course side of a red inflatable mark. For courses 1 and 2, the finish line will be on the opposite side of the signal boat from the starting line.

13 TIME LIMIT

Boats in a fleet failing to finish within 20 minutes of the first boat in that fleet to sail the course and finish will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

14 AFTER-RACE SCORING PENALTY

A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing may take a penalty after she is no longer racing and prior to the start of a protest hearing involving the incident. Her penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty of 30% calculated as described in RRS 44.3(c), but not more than that of a DNF score. However, if she caused injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach, her penalty shall be to retire.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Protest forms will be available at the Regatta Table in the clubhouse. Protests shall be delivered to the race committee representative at the Regatta Table within the protest time limit, which shall be one hour after the Race Committee signal boat returns to the dock. The protest times will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

15.2 For protests involving a rule of RRS Part 2, an arbitration hearing will be held prior to the protest hearing. Refer to Attachment B (“Protest Arbitration”). This changes RRS 63.1.

15.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties.

15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or jury will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

15.5 On the last day of the regatta, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered

- (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
- (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes RRS 66.

16 SCORING

16.1 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

16.2 A boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores. No scores will be excluded.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 Check-in and check-out: Boats are requested to check in with the race committee by sailing by the committee boat, on starboard tack, prior to the first warning signal. Boats leaving the racing area prior to the conclusion of racing are requested to notify the race committee on VHF 65.

17.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

18 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

The Race Committee may use VHF channel 65 to communicate information about course selection, time to start, and the sail numbers of boats that are OCS or have violated RRS 30. Neither failure of the Race Committee to communicate the sail numbers of recalled boats in a timely manner, nor failure of a recalled boat to receive or hear transmitted information, will be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

19 BERTHING

The SFYC guest dock will be available from Friday through Sunday, October 14-16.

20 PRIZES

20.1 Prizes will be awarded after the racing on Sunday, October 16, on the SFYC deck.

20.2 Unclaimed prizes will be held at the Race Council Office for a period of one month only. Call at (415) 789-5647 to be sure someone will be in the office for pickup.

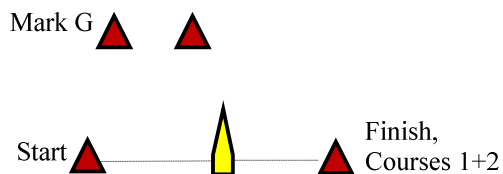
Michelle Farabaugh – Regatta Chair

Jeff Zarwell – PRO (Certified National Race Officer)

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Attachment A



Marks

W – Weather Mark

O – Offset Mark

G – Leeward Gate

Marks W, O, and G are Rounding Marks.

Courses

1 – Start – W(p) – O(p) – Finish

2 – Start – W(p) – O(p) - G – W(p) – O(p) – Finish

3 – Start – W(p) – O(p) – G – W(p) – O(p) – G – Finish

Attachment B

Protest Arbitration

- B1** An arbitration meeting will be held prior to a protest hearing for each incident resulting in a protest involving a rule of Part 2, unless the arbitrator deems the incident inappropriate for arbitration. One representative of each party who was on board at the time of the incident will meet with the arbitrator. If all the parties are not represented the arbitration meeting shall not be held. No witnesses will be permitted.
- B2** After hearing the testimony, the arbitrator will offer one of the following options:
- (a) The protest committee would find the protest is invalid. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - (b) The protest committee would find that no boat broke a rule. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - (c) The protest committee would find that one or more boats represented in the arbitration meeting broke a rule of Part 2. The arbitrator will offer each (both) boat(s) the option of accepting an After Race Scoring Penalty, or to retire. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - (d) A protest hearing is appropriate.
- B3** The protest committee will schedule a protest hearing for any protests that are not withdrawn. Any boat that accepted an After Race Scoring Penalty as described in the Sailing Instructions will not be further penalized as a result of the protest hearing, unless the protest committee concludes that the boat caused injury or serious damage, gained a significant advantage in the race or series, or broke a rule other than a rule of Part 2.
- B4** If a protest is withdrawn, no protest hearing will be held, and the protest cannot be the subject of a request for redress or appeal. This changes RRS 63.1.