THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB

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BELVEDERE CUP

Oct 10 & 11 2009

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organizing Authority (OA): The San Francisco Yacht Club, Belvedere, California

1 RULES

1.1 The event will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including Appendix C. J/105 Fleet One Class Rules will apply.

1.2 When a starboard tack boat completes a *dial down* (see definition below) manoeuvre, she is putting the boats and crews at risk of serious peril. Such action violates a fundamental principal of sportsmanship and shall be black-flagged by an umpire.

Definition: Dial down – When on a windward leg of the course, a starboard tack boat alters course away from the wind causing a converging port tack boat to do the same to keep clear and continues such action past 90 degrees to the wind.

1.3 When the match umpires decide that a boat has broken RRS 14 and damage results, they may, without a hearing, impose a penalty of half of one point. A competitor who is so penalized will be informed as soon as practical and may request a hearing. The Jury will then proceed in accordance with RRS C6.6. The penalty, if any, decided by the Jury may be more than half of one point. When the umpires decide that a penalty greater than half of one point would be appropriate they shall act in accordance with RRS C8.4. This changes RRS C6.6.

1.4 The violations of Fleet One Class Rule regarding the extension of the bow sprit will be an umpire-initiated penalty, per RRS C8.2. This changes RRS C8.2.

1.5 Penalties on protests for violation of rules other than part 2 are at the discretion of the jury. The decision may range from imposing no penalty to an overall point(s) reduction.

1.6 If there is a conflict between the Sailing Instructions and the NOR, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail over the NOR.

1.7 RRS 40 is deleted and replaced with: "All competitors shall wear life jackets or adequate personal buoyancy while racing." Note that Flag Y will not be displayed.

1.8 While racing, the registered skipper shall not leave the helm, except in an emergency.

1.9 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event, the Chief Umpire must authorize any substitution.

1.10 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event or becomes the skipper per SI 1.9, the Chief Umpire must authorise any substitution, temporary substitution, or other adjustment to the crew.

2. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

2.1 A competitors meeting shall be held at 0900 hrs Sat. Oct. 10, in the SFYC Commodores' Room.

2.2 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the SFYC clubhouse deck.

2.3 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the main flagpole located on the SFYC club lawn area.

2.4 Competitors should monitor VHF channel 65 for on-the-water announcements from the Race Committee (RC).

3 AMENDMENTS TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Amendments to the Sailing Instructions made ashore will be posted on the official notice board at least two hours before the start of any race affected and will be signed by the Principal Race Officer and the Chief Umpire.

3.2 Flag L over the numeral pennant of the most recent amendment will be displayed ashore each day until the boats have departed for the racecourse.

3.3 Amendments made afloat will be signalled by the display of flag 3rd Substitute with three sound signals. The RC or an umpire may communicate these either verbally or in writing.

4 BOATS

The event will be sailed in J/105 class boats invited by J 105 Fleet One.

5 EVENT FORMAT AND STARTING SCHEDULES

5.1 A draw will be held during the competitors' meeting to determine the round robin pairing. The meeting will be held at 0900 hours in the SFYC Commodores' Room. A pairing list will be distributed by the RC as soon as possible after the draw.

5.2 The racing days are 10-10-09 and 10-11-09

5.3 The intended time of the first attention signal each day is 1100 hours.

5.4 The number of matches to be sailed each day will be determined by the RC. The RC, at its discretion, may begin a second round robin. If a full round robin is not completed, scores will be determined by existing points subject to RRS C11 ties. This changes RRS C11.

6 RACING AREA

The intended racing area will be in the vicinity of the Berkeley Olympic Circle.

7 COURSE

7.1 (a) Course Configuration

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Mark W          o


Mark L          o


Start/Finish Line   o--------------()
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(b) Course - Start - W - L - W – Finish
Marks W and L shall be rounded to starboard.

(c) Description of Marks

The RC signal boat will be the SFYC committee boat "Victory".
Marks W, L and the start/finish line mark will be red/orange inflatable buoys. New marks, as provided in instruction 9, will be red/orange inflatable buoys with black bands.

7.2 Start/Finish Line

The start/finish line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat and a red/orange start/finish line mark.

8 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will set a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

9 BREAKDOWNS

Each boat may request one starting signal delay due to a breakdown of boat and/or equipment during the event. This request shall be made to the RC by hailing on VHF channel 65. A boat must receive confirmation of this request from the RC prior to the boat's attention signal. The delay of the start will be at the discretion of the Race Committee and will not exceed 10 minutes. The RC may continue sailing other matches during this period.

10 TIME LIMIT

A boat that does not finish within 5 minutes after her opponent has completed the course and finished will be scored as a loss and should return to the starting area.

11 PRIZES

The first place boat may receive an invitation to the Ficker Cup hosted by the Long Beach YC. Trophies will be awarded to the top three finishers in the regatta.

12 DISCLAIMER

All those taking any part in this event do so at their own risk. The SFYC, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

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