

# THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB



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## 2009 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), and by The San Francisco Yacht Club Championship Series Rules (See [www.sfyc.org](http://www.sfyc.org)).
- 1.2 RRS 40.1 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.

#### 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 1200 on the day before it will take effect.

- 4 **SCHEDULE OF RACES DAYS:** The Anniversary Cup and the July 4<sup>th</sup> Regatta may include two races depending on conditions. The Wosser Cup Series will include two races.

4.1	<u>RACE DAY</u>	<u>DAY AND TIME</u>	<u>WARNING</u>
	1 Rosenblum	Saturday, March 21	1200 Hrs
	2 Anniversary Cup	Saturday, April 25	1200 Hrs
	3 July 4 <sup>th</sup> Regatta	Saturday, July 4	1200 Hrs
	4 Mitchell & Ross	Saturday, August 1	1200 Hrs
	5 Wosser Cup Series	Saturday, October 3	1200 Hrs

- 4.2 All races will be started in the vicinity of Knox Buoy.

- 4.3** On the days when two races are scheduled, the warning signal for the second race will be made as soon as practicable after completion of the first race. To alert boats that another race will begin soon, a series of short sound signals and a radio announcement may be made on VHF 65.

## **5 CLASS FLAGS**

Class flags will be standard alpha signal flags:

<u>Division</u>	<u>Flag</u>
Non-Spinnaker	D
Spinnaker	E

## **6 COURSES AND MARKS**

- 6.1** Courses and Marks will be described on **Attachment A**.
- 6.2** Numerical placards displayed from the race committee signal boat will designate the course. The Race Committee may fly signal flag TANGO signifying "Twice Around," in which case yachts shall pass through the Start/Finish line when beginning the second lap.
- 6.3** The Race Committee may choose to combine two different courses, to be sailed in order, by flying signal flag FOXTROT and displaying two course numbers. The courses themselves will be displayed on numerical placards in the order that they should be sailed, separated by a 'dash.' The finish line of the first course will become the gate to start the second course.

## **7 THE START**

- 7.1** Races will be started by using RRS 26. The Warning Signal for the second division will be after the starting signal for the preceding division. Divisions may be started in either order, but it is expected that the Non-Spinnaker Division will start first in each race. Please monitor VHF Channel 65.
- 7.2** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and a red/orange inflatable mark, or the starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on two race committee boats.
- 7.3** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 7.4** A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored did not start (DNS). This changes rule A4.1.

## **8 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

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

## **9 THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee mark boat and a red/orange inflatable mark, or between staffs displaying orange flags on two race committee mark boats.

## **10 TIME LIMITS**

The time limit for each race day will be 1700 hours. Boats finishing after the time limit will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35.

## **11 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

**11.1** 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 30 minutes after the committee boat returns to the dock. The return time will be posted on the official notice board.

**11.2** Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible.

## **12 SCORING**

**12.1** Finish positions for each race will be determined by corrected time, based on PHRF time-on-distance.

**12.2** The Low Point Scoring System will apply for the Club Series, with the following exception: boats disqualified (DSQ) will be awarded two points more than the number of starters in that race, and all other boats not awarded finish positions will receive one more point than the number of starters in that race. This changes RRS A4.2.

Each boat's Series score will be a total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores. RRS A9 does not apply.

**12.3** A maximum of nine races are scheduled.

## **13 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

**13.1** Attention is drawn to Club Series Rule 5 concerning Commercial Traffic.

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

## **14 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

The Race Committee may broadcast information about the day's racing on VHF Channel 65. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, the hail of some but not all OCS boats, the untimely hail of some or all OCS boats or failure to hail any or all boats shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

## **15 PRIZES**

**15.1** You are invited to the Club Deck for complimentary beverages and hors d'oeuvres with the trophy presentation after each day's racing. Perpetual trophies will be awarded after each individual event and will be based on overall corrected times, regardless of division. The Youth Challenge award will be presented at the same time.

**ATTACHMENT A  
2009 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES  
COURSES**

<u>Course</u>				<u>Approx.Distance</u>
1	Start	15-P, 12-P, 15-P, S/F-P, 15-P	Finish	6.2 nm
2	Start	15-P, S/F-P, 15-P	Finish	4.6 NM
3	Start	15-P, 17-P, S/F-P, 15-P	Finish	5.2 NM
4	Start	15-P, 8-P, 15-P	Finish	9.2 NM
5	Start	15-P, 18-P, 24-P, 15-P	Finish	11.9 NM
6	Start	15-P, 21-P, 8-P, 15-P	Finish	10.6 NM
7	Start	SE-P, S/F-P, SE-P	Finish	4.5 NM
8	Start	SE-P, 17-P, SE-P	Finish	5.4 NM
9	Start	6-P, 12-P, 6-P	Finish	8.6 NM
10	Start	16-P, 12-P, 16-P	Finish	8.9 NM
11	Start	W-P, L-P, W-P, L-P	Finish	TBD
12	Start	W-P, L-P, W-P, L-P, W-P, L-P	Finish	TBD
13	Start	15-P, L1-P	Finish (off Corinthian YC)	9.2 NM

**Marks**

- “S/F” Red/Orange SFYC Inflatable set as the Start and Finish Line Buoy
- “L” SFYC inflatable set to leeward of “S/F”
- “SE” Sausalito Entrance Mark (“2”)
- “W” SFYC inflatable set to windward of “S/F”
- “6” YRA Mark “M” off Fort Mason Docks
- “8” YRA Mark 8, R”4” Fl 4s Horn, 1nm east of Pt. Blunt
- “12” YRA Mark 12, “Little Harding,” NW of Harding Rock (G “1”)
- “15” YRA Mark 15, Yellow Bluff (W/Or “Y”) – Or, if Mark 15 is removed, SFYC inflatable approximately ¼ mile east of Yellow Bluff
- “16” YRA Mark 16, Blackaller (W/Or “C”)
- “17” YRA Mark 17, Harding Rock (RG “HR”)
- “18” YRA Mark 18, “Blossom Rock,” RG “BR” Fl(2+1) G 6s Bell
- “21” YRA Mark 21, G”1” Fl G 6s, approximately .6 nm NE of Alcatraz
- “24” YRA Mark 24, R”6” Fl R 4s Bell, 1.1 nm east of Quarry Point
- “L1” SFYC inflatable located in the vicinity approximately 200 degrees and 0.5 nm from the end of the Richmond Channel Breakwater

**Restricted Areas**

The bell buoy off the west end of Alcatraz and the outermost rocks off Blunt Point, and any buoy marking same, shall be considered restricted areas as if a point of land extended from the shore to the buoy. This precludes passing between them and the land.

**Interference with Shipping Traffic**

Boats shall not impede the passage of ship traffic. Rule 9 of the Inland Rules of the Road applies to all shipping traffic on San Francisco Bay and its tributaries.