

# THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB



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## 2009 SUMMER KEELBOAT INVITATIONAL REGATTA

June 20-21, 2009

### 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 or adequate personal buoyancy while racing." Note that Flag Y will not be displayed.

**1.3** For the J105 fleet only, the rules of J/105 Fleet One will be in effect, including the following modified turns penalty:

The first sentence of RRS 44.1 is modified as follows: 'A boat may take a penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. The penalty shall be a One-Turn Penalty unless she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing within the zone of a rounding or finishing mark, in which case the penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty. Starting marks are not rounding marks.'

#### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

**2.1** Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located outside on the SFYC deck.

**2.2** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the main flagpole located adjacent to the clubhouse. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in race signal AP.

#### **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 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

### **4.1**

**Saturday, June 20, 2009** - Three (3) races are scheduled  
**Sunday, June 21** - Two (2) races are scheduled.

**4.2** The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1100 hours.

**4.3** 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 or sequence of races will begin soon, a radio announcement and a series of short sound signals may be made from the race committee signal boat.

## **5 COMMUNICATIONS**

The Race Committee may use VHF channel 65 to communicate information about course selection, time to start, the class position relative to the starting time, 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 62.1.

## **6 CLASS FLAGS**

Class flags will be standard numeric signal flags:

J/120	Code Flag One
Express 37	Code Flag Two
J/105	Code Flag Three
Express 27	Code Flag Four
J/24	Code Flag Five

## **7 RACING AREA**

Racing will be in the vicinity of the Berkeley Olympic Circle.

## **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** When there is an offset mark at the weather mark, boats must round the offset mark and leave it on the same side as the weather mark.

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

## **9 MARKS**

All Marks will be red/orange inflatable buoys, except that Mark W2 will be a yellow inflatable buoy and offset marks o1 and o2 will be orange balls. New marks, as provided in instruction 11, will be inflatable buoys with black bands.

## **10 THE START**

**10.1** 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 sailing instruction 6 above.

**10.2** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and a red/orange mark, or the starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on two race committee starting line boats.

**10.3** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.  
A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS.

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

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will set a single changing mark to be rounded to port, replacing marks (W1 and o1), and/or (W2 and o2) (or move the finish line), and remove the original mark(s) as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

## **12 THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and a port end inflatable finish mark.

## **13 TIME LIMITS**

Boats in a fleet failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in the fleet sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35 and A4.1.

## **14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

**14.1** 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. The protest time limit shall be one hour after the Race Committee signal boat returns to the dock. The return time will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

**14.2** For protests involving a rule of Part 2 of The Racing Rules of Sailing, an arbitration hearing will be held prior to the protest hearing. (Refer to instruction 15.)

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

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

**14.5** On Sunday, 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 rule 66.

## **15 ARBITRATION**

**15.1** Parties to a protest involving a rule of Part 2 of the Racing Rules of Sailing shall participate in an arbitration hearing per instruction 14.2 above. At the posted time, one designated representative from each boat will testify before an arbitrator. No witnesses will be allowed.

**15.2** After hearing the testimony of each representative, the arbitrator shall make one of the following decisions:

(a) No rule was broken or the protest is invalid. If the protesting party agrees, the protest is then withdrawn and cannot be reopened or appealed.

(b) At least one rule was broken by one or more of the parties involved. The representative of the offending boat(s) has the option of accepting a penalty equal to 30% of the number of starters for that race (rounding .5 upward; an adjusted score will not be greater than the number of starters in that race), or of submitting the matter to the jury for a full hearing. If the penalty is accepted, the matter is closed and cannot be reopened, appealed, or redressed. There will be no hearing before the protest committee. This changes RRS 63.1

(b) The protest shall be referred to the jury for a full hearing.

If the protest is referred to the jury, the arbitrator shall not be a member of the jury hearing protest, be called as a witness, or be present in the jury room; nor will he discuss the testimony or his decision with the members of the jury.

## **16 SCORING**

**16.1** Five races are scheduled, of which **two** races must be completed to constitute a series.

**16.2** A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

## **17 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

**17.1** Check in and check-out: Boats are requested to check in with the race committee by sailing by the race committee signal 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 PRIZES**

**18.1** Prizes will be awarded after the racing on Sunday, June 21, on the SFYC deck.

**18.2** Unclaimed prizes will be held at the Race Council Office for a period of one month only. Call at (415) 789-5647, or email to [race@sfyc.org](mailto:race@sfyc.org), to be sure someone will be in the office for pickup.

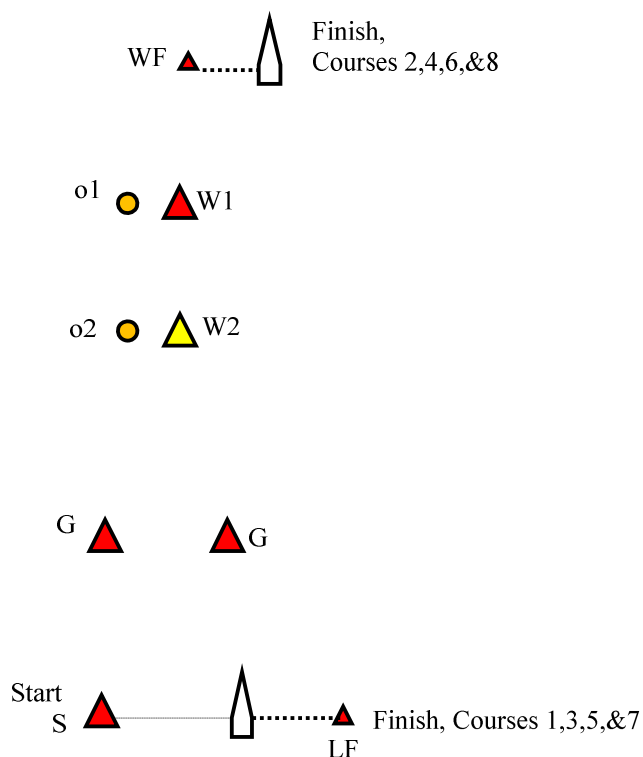
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**NOTE: PLEASE REMEMBER TO STOP AT THE SFYC FRONT DESK AND PICK UP YOUR PARKING PASSES**

# ILLUSTRATION A

## 2009 Summer Keelboat Courses



### Marks

**W1 – Upper Weather Mark (Red/Orange)**  
**W2 – Lower Weather Mark (Yellow)**  
**G – Leeward Gate Marks (red/orange)**  
**WF – Windward Finish (red/orange)**

**o1 – Upper Offset Mark (orange ball)**  
**o2 – Lower Offset Mark (orange ball)**  
**S – Starting Mark (red/orange)**  
**LF – Leeward Finish (red/orange)**

### Courses

- 1 – Start – W1 – o1 – LF
- 2 – Start – W1 – o1 – G – WF
- 3 – Start – W1 – o1 – G – W1 – o1 – LF
- 4 – Start – W1 – o1 – G – W1 – o1 – G – WF
  
- 5 – Start – W2 – o2 – LF
- 6 – Start – W2 – o2 – G – WF
- 7 – Start – W2 – o2 – G – W2 – o2 – LF
- 8 – Start – W2 – o2 – G – W2 – o2 – G – WF

**Leave all marks to PORT, except Gate**