2019 Perkins Corporate Challenge

Saturday, October 19

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organizing Authority: The San Francisco Yacht Club (SFYC), 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 The US Sailing prescriptions to rules 63.2 and 63.4 shall not apply.

1.3 The rules do not govern the navigation of non-participating vessels, which may be met during the course of racing. Competitors should exercise due caution that there be no violation of the applicable international or inland navigation and right-of-way rules. (See Attachment B for Commercial Traffic – Safety.)

1.4 Rule 40 is changed and follows: All competitors shall wear personal flotation devices while racing, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Flag Y will not be displayed.

1.5 Appendix V1 (Penalty at the Time of an Incident) shall apply.

1.6 The regatta will be sailed in J/22 type boats, provided with main, jib, spinnaker and rigging, and tuned by StFYC. The standing rigging shall not be altered or tuned by competitors. Differences between boats, as provided, shall not be grounds for redress.

1.7 The J/22 Class crew weight limit will not be in effect.

1.8 When the T (tango) flag is displayed during the starting sequence boats shall not use spinnakers. This signal will be made if the sustained wind on the RC signal boat exceeds 18 knots, or at the discretion of the PRO at a lower wind speed.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board in the hallway adjacent to the side (Regatta) entrance of the St. Francis YC.

2.2 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Race Committee signal boat *Victory*, docked at the St. Francis guest docks. When flag 'AP' is displayed shore, "1 minute" is replace with "not less than 30 minutes" in Race Signal AP.

2.3 Skippers and Tacticians shall attend a Competitors Briefing to be held at 1000 hours at the St. Francis YC immediately following the Sponsors Breakfast.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions or race schedule will be posted before 0930 hours on the day of racing on the official notice board and at www.sfyc.org.

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

4.1 Five (5) races are scheduled. The first warning signal will be at 1200 hours. The warning signal for each subsequent race will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of the prior race.

4.2 No warning signal will be made after 1600 hours.

5 CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be numeral pennant one.

6 RACING AREA

The racing area will be on the central San Francisco Bay, with the primary area designated as the west side of Alcatraz. Details will be announced at the Competitors Briefing.

7 THE COURSES

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

7.2 Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes rule 33.

8 MARKS

All marks are described in **Attachment A.**

9 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

Boats shall not pass through a line formed by the following pairs of points. These areas are designated as obstructions.

(a) The "H" Beam (located approximately 200 yards west of the St. Francis YC) and the closest point ashore.

(b) Anita Rock and its Buoy "AR" or an orange temporary ball set to the North in close proximity to Anita Rock.

(c) The green/red bell buoy off the west end of Alcatraz Island and the closest point on Alcatraz Island.

(d) All breakwaters in the vicinity of Fisherman's Wharf and Aquatic Park and the closest point ashore of each.

10 THE START

The starting line will be between a staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of a yellow inflatable mark.

11 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be the same as the starting line described in SI 10.

12 TIME LIMIT

Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

13.1 Protest forms will be available at the St. Francis YC Race Office in the clubhouse. Protests, request for redress and request to reopen a hearing shall be delivered to the Race Office within the applicable time limit.

13.2 The protest time is 75 minutes after the last boat finishes the final race of the day. The time limit will be posted on the official notice board.

13.3 Notices will be posted on the official notice board within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearing in which they are parties.

14 SCORING

14.1 Each boat's score will be the sum of her scores in all races. No score will be excluded.

14.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

15 SAFETY REGULATIONS

Boats leaving the racing area prior to the conclusion of racing are requested to notify the race committee by calling the signal boat on VHF USA channel 65A.

16 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

16.1 The race committee may use VHF USA Channel 65A to communicate information about course selection, time and class to start, and the sail numbers of boats that are OCS or have violated rule 30. 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 redress. This changes rule 62.

16.2 Except in an emergency, or when retiring from a race, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

17 PRIZES

The winning team will be awarded the **Perkins Corporate Challenge Trophy**. The award ceremony will be held at the Leukemia Cup VIP Gala to be held at Corinthian Yacht Club the evening after racing

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

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Attachment A – Marks and Courses

Marks

"W" – Red inflatable buoy set as a windward mark
"L" – Red inflatable buoy set as a leeward mark

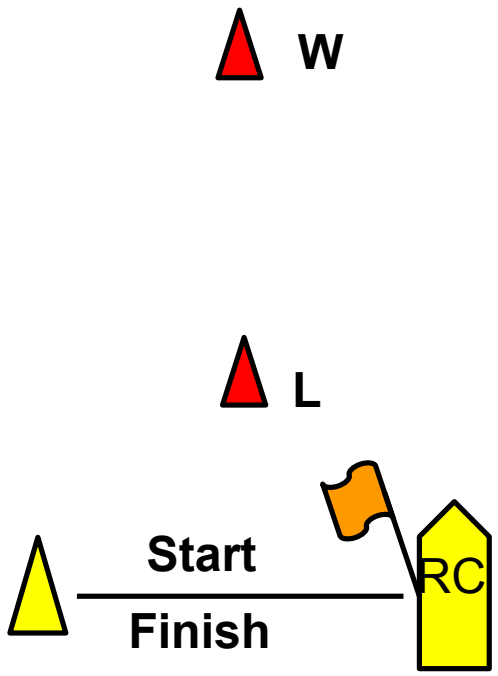
Marks W and L are rounding marks.

All rounding marks shall be left to port.

Courses

2 – Start – W – Finish
4 – Start – W – L – W – Finish
6 – Start – W – L – W – L – W – Finish

Course Diagram



Attachment B

Commercial Traffic – Safety

B1 Boats shall not impede the passage of commercial vessels and shall comply with the U.S. Inland Navigation Rules Act of 1980.

B2 If a commercial vessel has sounded five blasts, and/or the vessel or the United States Coast Guard identifies an offending boat, the race committee shall protest the boat, in which case the protest committee shall assume that the identified boat has impeded passage or violated the U.S. Inland Navigation Rules, and the identified boat shall have the burden of proving otherwise. In the case of a complaint by Vessel Traffic or the United States Coast Guard, the protest time limit shall be extended up to two days after the conclusion of the regatta. This changes RRS 60.2(a) and 61.3.

B3 A race committee boat may signal a boat to alter course to avoid impeding the passage of commercial vessels by making a sound signal (horn or whistle) and pointing Code Flag V at the boat. The signaled boat shall promptly comply with the signal unless compliance would create an unsafe condition. If a boat fails to comply with such a signal, the race committee shall protest the boat, in which case the protest committee shall assume that the course alteration would not have created an unsafe condition, and the protested boat shall have the burden of proving otherwise.

B4 A boat may be penalized independently under B1, B2 and/or B3. A violation of any part this appendix shall not be exonerated by a Scoring Penalty. The SFYC shall cooperate with and provide relevant information to the United States Coast Guard or other governmental authority regarding investigations of boats impeding ship traffic or violating U.S. Inland Navigation Rules.

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