

THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB



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EASOM FOUNDER'S TROPHY REGATTA AND MELGES 24 INVITATIONAL

July 23-24, 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. RRS 90.2 (c) is amended to allow oral changes to the Sailing Instructions on the water. In the event the Race Committee needs to communicate oral changes, they shall raise the "L" flag and attempt to hail competitors on VHF channel 65.

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, July 23** - Three races are scheduled.
Sunday, July 24 - Two races are scheduled.
- 5.2** The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1130 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:

- Etchells – One
- Melges 24 – Two

7 RACING AREA

The racing area 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 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 If one of the Gate Marks “G” is missing, the remaining gate 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 except for Change Marks. Change marks shall be yellow inflatable marks; however, if yellow marks are not available, the change marks shall have a black band.

10 THE START

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

10.2 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 shall set a change mark at the new position.

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and a red/orange inflatable mark.

13 TIME LIMIT

Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes of the first boat 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 RRS Part 2 or Rule 31 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 Rule 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 committee boat returns to the dock. The protest times will be posted on the official notice board.

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

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

15.4 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 Three 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.

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, June 18-20.

20 PRIZES

20.1 Prizes will be awarded after the racing on Sunday, June 20, on the SFYC deck.

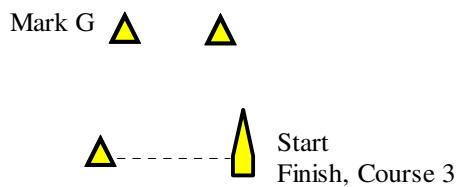
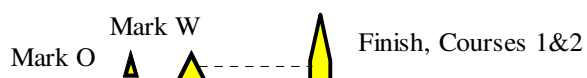
20.2 Unclaimed prizes will be held at the Race Council Office for a period of one month only. Call at (415) 789-5647 to be sure someone will be in the office for pickup.

Michelle Farabaugh – Regatta Chair
Anne Scully – PRO

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Attachment A



Marks

W – Weather Mark

G – Leeward Gate

O – Offset Mark

All marks are rounding marks, except W when it is at the Finish.

Courses

1 – Start – W(p) – O(p) – G – Finish

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

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