

THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB



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18-FOOT REGATTA

MAY 5-6, 2012

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB, BELVEDERE, CALIFORNIA

1. RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 RRS 40 is changed as follows: "All competitors are required to wear a life jacket or other adequate personal flotation device while racing." Note that Flag Y will not be displayed.
- 1.3 When a boat may have broken a rule of RRS Part 2 while racing, the penalty shall be a One-Turn Penalty instead of a Two-Turns Penalty. This changes the first sentence of RRS 44.1.

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.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

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

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Saturday, May 5, 2012 – Four races are scheduled.
- 5.2 Sunday, May 6, 2012 – Three races are scheduled.
- 5.3 The schedule time of the warning signal for the first race each day is as follows:
Saturday, May 5, 2012: 1155 hours
Sunday, May 6, 2012: 1055 hours
- 5.4 After the first race each day, the warning signal for the next race will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boats that another race or sequence of races will begin soon, a series of short sound signals and a radio announcement on VHF Channel 65 may be made.

6. CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be standard numeric signal flags:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Flag</u>
Aussie 18	One
F18	Two
A-Cat	Three

7. RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the vicinity between Knox and Yellow Bluff.

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 Mark G is a gate. If one of the gate marks is missing, boats shall round the one existing leeward mark to port.

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

8.4 There may be an Offset Mark "O". If present, the offset mark is to be passed in sequence as designated in the course descriptions in Attachment A.

9. MARKS

Marks are described in Attachment A.

10. THE START

10.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26. The Warning Signal for succeeding classes will be with or after the starting signal for the preceding class. 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.

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

10.3 OCS BENCHMARK—AUSSIE 18 and F18

For purposes of this regatta, for the Aussie 18 and F18 fleets, the bow (and not the bow sprit) shall be the benchmark for determining whether the competitor is OCS.

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

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

12. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat and an inflatable mark. The finishing line for Courses 1, 3 and 5 will be on the opposite side of the signal boat from the starting line.

13. TIME LIMITS

Boats in a fleet failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat in that fleet sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35 and A4.

14. AFTER RACE SCORING PENALTY

A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or RRS 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 race committee signal boat returns to the dock. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

15.2 Notices will be posted immediately following the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties, the location, and the time such hearings will commence.

16. SCORING

16.1 Five (5) races must be completed to constitute a series.

16.2 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. No races will be excluded.

17. RADIO 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. 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.

18. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded after the racing on Sunday, May 6th, on the SFYC deck.

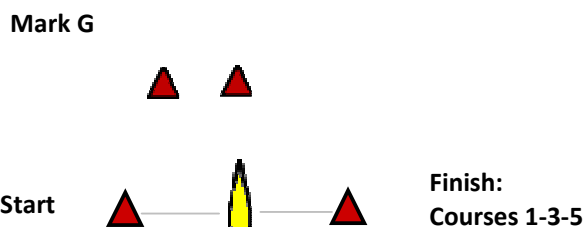
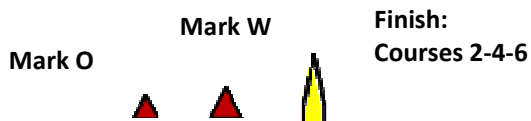
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ATTACHMENT A



MARKS

- W – Weather Mark (Red Inflatable)
- G – Leeward Gate (Red Inflatables)
- O – Offset Marks (Red Inflatable or Small Round Mark)

All marks are rounding marks except at the start and finish.

All marks shall be taken to port, except for the gate.

<u>COURSES</u>		
<u>Course #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Distance (approx.)</u>
1	Start – W – O – Finish	2 nm
2	Start – W – O – G – Finish	2.8 nm
3	Start – W – O – G – W – O – Finish	3.8 nm
4	Start – W – O – G – W – O – G – Finish	4.6 nm
5	Start – W – O – G – W – O – G – W – O - Finish	5.6 nm
6	Start – W – O – G – W – O – G – W – O – G - Finish	6.4 nm
7	Start – 15 (Yellow Bluff) – 16 (Blackaller) – 18 (Blossom) – 8 (SE Angel Island) – 14 (Southampton Platform) - Finish	UNK