

THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB



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2012 INVITATIONAL RESIN REGATTA

APRIL 21-22, 2012

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.

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

- Saturday, April 21, 2012** - Three races are scheduled.
- 5.1 **Sunday, April 22, 2012** - 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 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>
Melges 24	One
Etchells	Two
Express 27	Three
Moore 24	Four

7 RACING AREA

Racing will be in the vicinity of the 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 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 on Attachment A.

9 MARKS

Marks will be described on 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.

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 an orange flag on a race committee boat and an inflatable mark. The finishing line for Courses 1 and 3 will be on the opposite side of the signal boat from the starting line.

13 TIME LIMITS

The time limit for each fleet will be 1.5 hours after the start. Boats in a fleet failing to finish within 20 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 For protests involving a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31, an arbitration hearing will be held prior to the protest hearing. (Refer to Attachment B.). This changes RRS 63.1.

15.3 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.

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 Two (2) races must be completed to constitute a series.

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

17 RADIO COMMUNICATION

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, April 22, on the SFYC deck.

Vicki Sodaro – PRO

Madeline Morey & Tina Lundh – Regatta Chairs

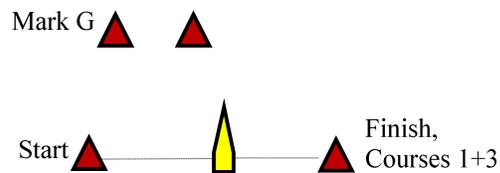
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NOTE: PLEASE REMEMBER TO PICK UP YOUR PARKING PASSES

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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.

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

1 – Start – W – O – Finish

2 – Start – W – O – G – Finish

3 – Start – W – O – G – W – O – Finish

4 – Start – W – O – G – W – O – G – Finish

ATTACHMENT B

PROTEST ARBITRATION

- B1. An arbitration meeting will be held prior to a protest hearing for each incident resulting in a protest involving a rule of Part 2 or Rule 31, unless the arbitrator deems the incident inappropriate for arbitration. One representative of each party, who was on board at the time of the incident, will meet with the arbitrator. If all the parties to a protest are not represented, the arbitration meeting shall not be held. No witnesses will be permitted.
- B2. After hearing the testimony, the arbitrator will offer one of the following opinions:
- (a) The protest committee would find the protest is invalid. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - (b) The protest committee would find that no boat broke a rule. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - (c) The protest committee would find that one or more boats represented in the arbitration meeting broke a rule of Part 2 or Rule 31. The arbitrator will offer each (both) boat(s) the option to accept an After Race Scoring Penalty, or to retire. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - (d) A protest hearing is appropriate.
- B3. The protest committee will schedule a protest hearing for any protests that are not withdrawn. Any boat that accepted an After-Race Scoring Penalty (ARSP) as described in the Sailing Instructions will not be penalized further as a result of the protest hearing, unless the protest committee concludes that the boat caused injury or serious damage, gained a significant advantage in the race or series, or broke a rule other than a rule of Part 2 or Rule 31.
- B4. If a protest is withdrawn, no protest hearing will be held, and the protest cannot be the subject of a request for redress or appeal. This changes RRS 63.1.