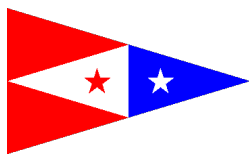


THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB



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2015 SMALL KEELBOAT SERIES

April 11, June 20, June 21* & August 8

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 Appendix T, Section B (POST RACE PENALTIES) shall apply.
- 1.3 For the Melges 24 and Melges 20 classes, rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.4 For the Etchells and Open 5.70 classes, Appendix T, Section A (Penalties While Racing) shall apply.
- 1.5 Racing rule 40 is changed to: All competitors shall wear personal flotation devices while racing, except for brief periods while changing or adjusting clothing. Flag Y will not be displayed.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on the deck at SFYC and at www.sfyc.org.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1200 hours on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2 Oral changes to the sailing instructions may be made on the water. The Race Committee will display code flag "L", hail boats and announce on USA VHF Channel 65A of a change.

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 Three races are scheduled for each day.
- 4.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1130 hours.
- 4.3 After the first race each day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. A series of short sound signals and a radio announcement on USA VHF Channel 65A may announce the next start.

5 CLASS FLAGS

The Class flags will be standard numeral pennants. Fleets with fewer than 6 boats at the starting area on any day may be started with another fleet, by displaying multiple class flags at once. Fleets without any boats at the starting area will not be given a starting sequence.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Flag</u>
Melges 24	One
Melges 20	Two
J/70	Three
Etchells	Four
Express 27	Five
Wylie Wabbit	Six
Open 5.70	Seven
J/24	Eight
Cal20	Nine

6 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the vicinity north of the Berkeley Circle, or Southampton Shoal.

7 COURSES AND MARKS

Courses and Marks are described in Attachment A. The course to be sailed will be displayed with a numeral placard on the Race Committee signal boat.

8 THE START

- 8.1 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 5 above.
- 8.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and a yellow inflatable mark.

9 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will move the original mark to a new position.

10 THE FINISH

- 10.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee boat and a yellow inflatable mark.
- 10.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible. Notification by radio on USA VHF Channel 65A is preferred.

11 TIME LIMITS

Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in the fleet sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

12 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 12.1 Protests, requests for redress or requests to reopen a hearing shall be in writing on a US Sailing protest form and delivered to the Club front desk within the appropriate protest time limit. US Sailing protest forms are available at the Club front desk. This changes RRS 61.2.
- 12.2 The protest time is 60 minutes after the race committee signal boat docks. The time limit will be

- posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 12.3 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.
 - 12.4 A request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall inform the Race Office within 24 hours of being informed of the protest committee decision. Requests shall be delivered in person or by email at race@sfyc.org.
 - 12.5 Protest and request for redress hearings will be held at 1900 hours in the Eldridge Room of the Sailing Center on the Tuesday following the regatta unless the protest committee chairperson establishes another date or time. Protest committee decisions will be announced after the protest hearing or by the email listed on the regatta entry form.

13 SCORING

- 13.1 The series will be scored according to RRS Appendix A2 and A9.
- 13.2 Four races must be completed to constitute a series.
- 13.3 Each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

14 RADIO COMMUNICATION

The Race Committee may use USA VHF Channel 65A to communicate information about the day's racing. 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.

15 PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded at the conclusion of the series, based on the number of participants in each fleet.

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Attachment A

Mark W



Mark L



Start/Finish

Rounding Marks

W – Weather Mark – large red
L – Leeward Mark – large red
Start/finish pin – yellow

Courses

- 1 – Start – W(p) – Finish**
- 2 – Start – W(p) – L(p) – W(p) – Finish**
- 3 – Start – W(p) – L(p) – W(p) – L(p) – W(p) – Finish**

(p) designates leaving marks to port