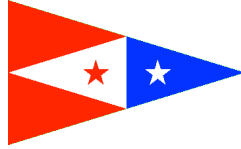


THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB



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ELITE KEEL REGATTA **May 14 - 15, 2016**

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*. For the IOD Class, the *Regulations Governing the International One Design Class, San Francisco Fleet* will apply (available at www.sfioc.org).
- 1.2 Rule 40 is changed as 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.
- 1.3 For the Express 27, J/24, Knarr, J/70, and IOD classes, Appendix T Section A (Penalties While Racing) shall apply. The first two sentences of racing rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located outside on the west wall of the SFYC Clubhouse. The NOR, SIs, and amendments thereof will be posted online at www.sfyc.org.

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 1200 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 14** - Three (3) races are scheduled, with the first warning signal at 1200 hours.
Sunday, May 15 - Two (2) Races are scheduled, with the first warning signal at 1200 hours.
- 5.2 To alert boats that another race will begin, a series of short sound signals and an announcement on VHF USA channel 65A may be made by the race committee.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be numeral pennants:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Flag (Pennant)</u>
Melges 24	one
J/70	two
Express 27	three
IOD	four
J/24	five
Knarr	six

7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the vicinity north of the Berkeley Olympic Circle.

8 COURSES

- 8.1 **Attachment A** shows the courses, describes the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 The course to be sailed will be designated by a numerical placard displayed on the race committee signal boat.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 All marks are inflatable buoys, except for the finish line marks, which are orange balls.
- 9.2 Marks W, O and G are RED.
- 9.3 Marks W1 and O1 are YELLOW.
- 9.3 If the offset mark (Mark O or O1) is missing it shall be disregarded. If one of the gate marks is missing boats shall round the remaining mark to port.

10 THE START

- 10.1 Classes may be started in any order, although in the first race each day, expect that the classes will be started in the order listed in instruction 6 above.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and a small yellow inflatable mark.
- 10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area.

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 and signal this change in accordance with rule 33.

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 The downwind finishing line will be between a staff or halyard displaying a blue flag on the race committee signal boat and an orange ball on the opposite side of the race committee signal boat from the starting line.
- 12.2 The upwind finishing line will be between a staff or halyard displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat and an orange ball to windward of Mark W.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 For the Melges 24 class, rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 13.2 For the Express 27, J/24, Knarr, J/70, and IOD classes, Appendix T Section A shall apply (see SI 1.3).

14 TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 The time limit for the first boat in each fleet to sail the course and finish is 90 minutes.
- 14.2 Boats in a fleet failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat in their fleet sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35, A4.1 and A5.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the Regatta Table inside the clubhouse near the deck entrance. Protests, request for redress and request to reopen a hearing shall be filed at the Regatta Table within the applicable time limit. If filed after the close of the regatta table, filing shall be made to the front office. This changes rule 61.3.
- 15.2 The protest time is 60 minutes after each venue's race committee signal boat docks. The time limits will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 15.3 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.
- 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 rule 66.

16 SCORING

- 16.1 Two races must 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 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 17.1 The race committee may use VHF USA channel 65A to communicate information about the races.
- 17.2 The race committee will attempt to hail boats observed OCS at the start. 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.
- 17.3 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction applies to mobile telephones.

18 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded after the racing on Sunday, May 15 on the SFYC deck.

19 BERTHING

The SFYC guest dock will be available from Friday, May 13 through Sunday, May 15.

20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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

21 FURTHER INFORMATION

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SFYC Race Office: Phone 415-789-5647, race@sfyc.org

SOCIAL EVENTS

Saturday, May 14

After racing, complimentary beer and snacks.

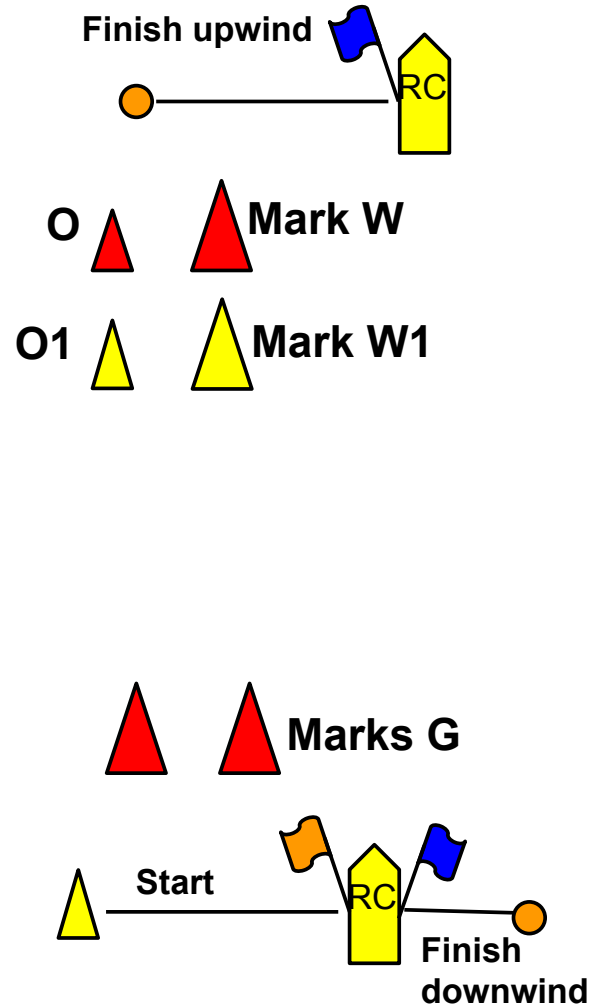
Sunday, May 15

After racing, trophy presentation on the SFYC deck with complimentary beer.

PARKING

Parking in the SFYC lot will be restricted during the regatta. Two parking passes will be issued per boat, one of which may be used for a trailer. Passes may be picked up at Race Office on Friday or at the entrance to the lot on Saturday.

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Attachment A – Courses



Marks

Marks W, W1, O and O1 are rounding marks and shall be left to port.
 Marks G are rounding marks, and collectively are a gate.

Courses

- 1 Start – W – O – Finish Downwind
- 2 Start – W1 – O1 – Finish Downwind
- 3 Start – W – O – G – Finish Upwind
- 4 Start – W1 – O1 – G – Finish Upwind
- 5 Start – W – O – G – W – O – Finish Downwind
- 6 Start – W1 – O1 – G – W1 – O1 – Finish Downwind
- 7 Start – W – O – G – W1 – O1 – Finish Downwind