



2015 X-Bay Challenge Regatta
Saturday, June 20, 2015
Corinthian and South Beach Yacht Clubs
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. **RULES:** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
2. **SAFETY AND PFD RULE:** Competitors shall wear a USCG-Approved PFD while racing. No 'Y' Flag shall be displayed. This changes RRS 40.
3. **ENTRIES:** All boats must display on their sails the sail number shown on their entry form or gain Race Committee (RC) approval by 17:30 pm the day before the race.
4. **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS:** Notices & changes to competitors prior to the race will be posted on the X-Bay Regatta electronic Bulletin Board by 1000 hours on June 20: http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/10547#_home.

Any changes to the Sailing Instructions to be made on the water will be broadcast on VHF channel 78 prior to the first warning signal and a code "L" flag will be flown from the Race Committee Boat.

Notices and Changes after the finish will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at SBYC, located adjacent to the East Glass Doors.

5. **SCHEDULE and CLASS FLAG(S):** The warning signal for the race will be at 1155 hour. The class flag(s) are described under Classes and Divisions.
6. **RACING AREA:** The racing area will be sailed in the waters of the central and south San Francisco Bay. The start will be at a designated location in the Central Bay and the finish will be off the South Beach Harbor South Entrance (at McCovey Cove).
7. **COURSES and MARKS:** Courses will be indicated by numeral flags on the Race Committee boat. The courses and marks are described in Appendix A, at the end of



these Instructions.

- START LINE:** The starting line will be in the area near YRA 8 in SF Bay between the staff displaying an orange flag on the SBYC committee boat and an inflatable mark.
- CLASSES AND DIVISIONS:** All entrants should have valid 2015 NorCal PHRF certificate. Boats without PHRF certificates shall be assigned a PHRF rating at the discretion of the Race Committee.

Division	PHRF Range	Class Flag
Non-Spinnaker	All	D
Spinnaker	All	E

- HAILING OCS BOATS:** The (RC) may hail (VHF or voice) one or more boats on the course side of the starting line at the start signal. This is a courtesy, and the failure of a hail, the failure of a boat to hear a hail, or the order of the hail(s) shall not be grounds for redress; this changes RRS 62.1.
- FINISH LINE:** The Finish Line will be the entrance to McCovey Cove, between the north-eastern corner of Pier 48 and the green channel marker FL G 2.5s "PA".
- TIME LIMIT:** The finishing time limit for all yachts racing in all divisions will be 17:00. Any boat not yet finished will be scored DNF whether or not other boats in the same class have finished. A boat still sailing at such time or a boat that retires prior to finishing shall notify the race committee--at the time she retires--via VHF on channel 78, or by contacting the race committee at 415-760-2606. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- RETIRING BEFORE FINISH:** A boat that retires prior to finishing shall notify the race committee--at the time she retires--via VHF 78 and/or by contacting the race committee at 415-760-2606.
- INTERFERENCE WITH OTHER VESSELS:** Boats shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway, including large commercial vessels. Boats so doing shall be subject to protest and disqualification upon notice from any competitor, the (RC), government agency, or the operator of the vessel. A boat which receives five or more horn blasts from a commercial or government vessel shall be presumed to have impeded such passage. The time for protest will be extended in such cases. This changes RRS 61.3.



15. **PROTESTS:** Protests shall be delivered to SBYC Club Office. For each class, the protest time limit is 45 minutes after the last boat in the protesting boat's division has finished. Hearings will be held that day, unless re-scheduled by the Protest Committee Chair. Protest Forms are available at SBYC from the Race Committee.

16. **OBSTRUCTIONS AND RESTRICTED AREAS:** Yachts that have finished shall clear the finish line promptly and shall not interfere with yachts that are finishing or obstruct the Race Committee's view of the line.
 - a. For safety, each of the lines bounded by the following two points is an obstruction:
 - i. Anita Rock Light and an unmarked buoy (located 150 yards NW of Anita Rock Light).
 - ii. Anita Rock Light and the closest point ashore.
 - iii. Unmarked buoy (located 150 yards NW of Anita Rock Light) and the closest point ashore.
 - iv. The "H" Beam piling (located approximately 200 yards west of StFYC) and the closest point ashore.
 - v. The South Tower of the Golden Gate Bridge and the closest point ashore.
 - vi. The Green and Red Bell buoy off the west end of Alcatraz Island and the closest point ashore.
 - vii. The Green buoy (#3) south of Point Blunt, Angel Island and the closest point ashore.
 - viii. The west-most end Pier 45 and the east-most end of the Aquatic Park breakwater.
 - b. Boats are prohibited from sailing across any of these lines while racing.

17. **SCORING:** Corrected times will be computed using the time-on-time method ($TCF = (650 / (550 + PHRF))$). Changing Appendix A4.2: DNC and DNS will be scored Starters + 1; DNF will be scored Finishers + 1 and DSQ will be scored Starters + 2. Race ties will be scored per RRS Appendix A7.

18. **TROPHIES:** Trophies will be awarded after the race at the SBYC Clubhouse at approximately 18:00.

HOSPITALITY (Not part of Sailing Instructions): Food & Beverage offerings will be available to racer and crew after the race at the clubhouse. Same day and over-night



docking is available with prior notification. Contact Andrew Lorenzen, Regatta Chair for information at 813-695-2784 or lorenzen.a@gmail.com.

APPENDIX A-

COURSES AND MARKS: Marks between Start and Finish shall be rounded to port (unless indicated otherwise in the list below by “(s)”) and are described below.

Flag#						
1	S	12	SC1 (s)	F		
2	S	16	SC1 (s)	F		
3	S	16	2(s)	SC1 (s)	F	
4	S	16(s)	17(s)	18(s)	SC1 (s)	F
5	S	12	17	8(s)	SC1 (s)	F

Description of Marks:

No.	Mark	Description
8	North Channel No. 4	R “4” Fl 4 s Horn 1 nm E of Pt Blunt
12	Little Harding	G “1” Fl G 4s
16	Blackaller	Yellow Column “C” 2 nm east of Fort Point
17	Harding Rock	RG “HR” Fl (2+1) R 6s
18	Blossom Rock	GR “BR” Fl (2+1) G 6s Bell
2	Alcatraz	Alcatraz Island
SC1	SC1	Red & Green “SC” Fl G(2+1) approx. 1 nm ENE of Mission Rock Term