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# *SUMMER'S END SERIES*

## *2015 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS*

*A Weekly 4-Race Series - Wednesday Evenings  
August 19th thru September 16th - Except September 9th*

## OBJECTIVE

*This series is all about taking advantage of our long San Diego Summers, while having a great time on the water. The Corinthian spirit seems to be dwindling these days, so to keep everyone's priorities in line, we have implemented a few special series rules...*

### **1 SPECIAL SERIES RULES**

*1.1 Penalties - If the protest committee decides that a boat has broken a rule, the skipper of said vessel shall jump into the harbor naked. But if in the breaking of the rule, they fouled another boat, the offending boat's skipper shall ALSO buy the fouled boat's entire crew a round of drinks.*

*1.2 Avoiding Contact - We're all competitive, and want to win, but it's never worth a collision, even if you have the right away. If there is contact, and you are at fault, attempt to resolve the conflict by taking your penalty turns. Any protests brought to the race committee involving contact between boats will cause immediate disqualification from that race for both vessels involved. In a series, if a competitor's combined race position was improved by contact with another competitor, that boat's score will be removed for the entire series.*

*\*Basically, play nice, have fun, and if you foul someone, take your penalty turns so they don't turn you in to race committee, or there will be penalties!*

## 2 OTHER RULES

2.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.

2.2 USCG "Navigation Rules, International-Inland"

([www.navcen.uscg.gov/](http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/)) apply when a vessel that is sailing under the *Racing Rules of Sailing* meets a vessel that is not.

2.3 Class Rules of PHRF San Diego ([www.phrfsandiego.org](http://www.phrfsandiego.org)) will apply. However, Rule 8 (MIR rule) of the PHRF class rules will not apply. This is a PHRF Category 4 event. PHRF "RLC" ratings will be used to score all races. PHRF non-spinnaker offsets will not be used for scoring. PHRF class breaks will not be used. PHRF-San Diego or PHRF-Southern California must issue each boat's valid, current certificate. Boats without valid certificates will be approved at the discretion of the Race Committee.

2.4 Class Rules will apply to one-design classes

2.5 Racing boats encountering non-racing craft shall conform to 2.2 above, USCG "Navigation Rules, International-Inland". Be advised that no vessel has the "right-of-way" over a large ship in the deep-water channel. **USCG Navigational Rule 9** will be strictly enforced. All competitors are asked to observe USCG Navigational Rule 9, which in part reads "A vessel shall not cross a narrow channel or fairway if such crossing impedes the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within such channel or fairway." Further, USCG Navigational Rule 34, in part reads "...When vessels in sight of one another... doubt whether sufficient action is being taken by the other to avoid collision, the vessel in doubt shall immediately indicate such doubt by giving at least five short and rapid blasts on the horn." ***Any boat participating in a CRA race that is identified in any complaint from the Coast Guard, Harbor Pilot or commercial***

*vessel captain that has sounded 5 horns will be presumed to have infringed this instruction. RRS 60.2, 63.1 and A5 are modified to add that the R/C may disqualify a boat infringing this instruction without a hearing.*

2.6 Per RRS 42.3(h), competitors may use an engine or other propulsion method to avoid situations in 1.5 provided they gain no significant advantage in the race.

2.7 RRS 55 is changed by adding the following sentence to the rule: 'However, discarding biodegradable bands when setting a sail is permitted.'

2.8 NAVAL and CRUISE SHIP PROTECTION ZONE: No vessel is allowed within 100 yards of a NAVAL or CRUISE SHIP.

2.9 Any R/C Vessel, including the pin or mark set boat displaying the R/C flag, is authorized to signal and direct any racing vessel or any class to alter course for clear compliance with Rule 9 traffic.

2.10 The following Rules are modified as indicated:

*RRS 27.1 in SI 7.2*

*RRS 29.2 in SI 11.1*

*RRS 35 in SI 14.1*

*RRS 41(c) in SI 19.1*

*RRS 44.1 in SI 13*

*RRS 55 in SI 1*

*RRS 56 in SI 6.1*

*RRS 13 in SI 15.1*

*RRS 62.1(a) in SI 11.3*

*A4 in SI 10.6;*

*RRS 60.2, 63.1, and A5 are modified in SI 6, 8.1, 10.5, 10.7, and 17.1.*

2.11 Rules set forth in the sailing instructions, are to supersede ANY conflicting rules in the RRS.

### **3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS--CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

3.1 Official notices and amendments will be available from either the R/C vessel per 4.1 below or online at [www.southwesternyc.org](http://www.southwesternyc.org). Any notice posted online by 6pm on the day before any race will be considered applicable, and will not be distributed by the R/C boat.

### **4 SIGNALS MADE AFLOAT**

4.1 "L" Flag over "A" Flag means an amendment to the SAILING INSTRUCTIONS and/or an official notice is being distributed from the R/C vessel.

### **5 SCHEDULE FOR ALL RACES**

5.1 Dates of Racing: every Wednesday, beginning August 19th and ending September 16th, except there will be no racing Wednesday September 9<sup>th</sup>. The first warning each day is scheduled for 1750.

5.2 Total Number of races: Four  
(One race per day will be sailed for all classes.)

### **6 CLASSES, PENNANTS, AND STARTING ORDER**

6.1 All boats are required to fly the sponsor provided pennant from their backstays. This changes Rule 56. These flags will be color coded according to their assigned class and will serve as their class flag. Flags, along with course charts can be picked up at Rigworks as of Tuesday Aug 18<sup>th</sup>.

Rigworks, Inc.  
2801 Carleton Street  
San Diego, CA 92106  
619-223-3788  
8am-5pm

6.2 The class breaks and starting order will be as follows:

*\*Pay attention to the RC flags as starts may be combine to maximize use of daylight.*

### Class Breaks

*Class 1 - Random Leg Rating of +7 and below*

*Class 2 - Random Leg Rating of +8 through +57*

*Class 3 - Random Leg Rating of +58 through +113*

*Class 4 - Random Leg Rating of +114 through +123*

*Class 5 - Random Leg Rating of +124 and above*

### Sponsor provided pennant colors:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Pennant Colors:</u>
<i>Class 1</i>	<i>white</i>
<i>Class 2</i>	<i>blue</i>
<i>Class 3</i>	<i>red</i>
<i>Class 4</i>	<i>yellow</i>
<i>Class 5</i>	<i>green</i>

## **7 RACING AREA**

7.1 The racing area covers the general locale known as North San Diego Bay.

7.2 The starting area for all races will be near the center of Harbor Island (offshore from the ½ mi. Range Markers). For navigation, refer to NOAA CHART # 18773, San Diego Bay.

## **8 THE COURSES**

8.1 The supplemental course chart shows the courses.

8.2 The courses for all classes will be posted on a board on the R/C vessel no later than 1745. This modifies RRS 27.1.

## **9 CHECK-IN**

9.1 Prior to the first warning on each race day, each boat shall check in with the R/C by passing close aboard, on starboard tack and hailing her class and sail number. Failure to properly check-in with and be acknowledged by the R/C, may result in being scored DNS without a hearing. This modifies RRS 60.2, 63.1 and A5.

9.2 Check-in commences when the "L" flag is hoisted on the R/C Boat.

9.3 Radio check-in (VHF 68) is acceptable, however, is not official until the R/C has confirmed check-in over the radio. Heavy radio traffic may require a boat to physically check-in. Trying, but not succeeding with radio check-in will not relieve a boat from the requirements, and consequences, of 9.1 above.

9.4 Check-ins will cease, and check-ins will not be acknowledged after the

*first warning, except for at the discretion of the RC.*

*9.5 Sails shall have clearly visible sail numbers that conform to Appendix G of the RRS. Sails with sail numbers other than those specified on the entry form, may not be used at check-in or finishing.*

## **10 MARKS**

*10.1 All marks are rounding marks (except the start and finish) and will be positioned as indicated on the supplemental course chart.*

## **11 THE START**

*11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an ORANGE FLAG on the R/C signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark (mark A), in the area offshore from the ½ mile Range Markers on Harbor Island.*

*11.2 A distance buoy may be streaming from the R/C signal vessel. This buoy is considered a permanent part of the R/C vessel. If the Race Committee boat is damaged as a result of a boat breaking a rule, that boat shall pay for the repairs.*

*11.3 The first warning each day is scheduled for 1750. Races will be started using Rule 26 with the warning signal made five (5) minutes before the starting signal. (5 min rolling starts)*

*11.4 The "I" flag will be the preparatory signal for every class and will be in effect for all starts.*

*11.5 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area. This is not just the starting line. Boats in violation may be scored DSQ without a hearing. This modifies RRS 60.2, 63.1 and A5.*

*11.6 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.*

*11.7 After starting properly, a boat shall not sail through the starting*



line except when finishing. This ranks as an obstruction under RRS 19. Boats in violation shall be scored DSQ without a hearing. This modifies RRS 60.2, 63.1 and A5.

## **12 RECALLS**

12.1 RRS 29.2, General Recall, is modified as follows in the last sentence: The recalled class will go to the end of the line and will restart after all other classes have started. The warning signal for a recalled class will be made at the start of the last scheduled class. Recalled classes will restart in the order in which they were recalled. First Substitute will be removed with the preparatory signal of the next class.

12.2 As a courtesy, the R/C will attempt to hail by sail number on VHF radio channel 68 "On Course Side" (OCS) boats as soon as possible after the start when all OCS boats have been identified.

12.3 Failure of equipment to make a hail, failure to hear a hail, or delay in hailing will not be grounds for redress. This modifies RRS 62.1(a).

12.4 A R/C Pin/Mark vessel may be stationed near the buoy end of the starting line, and is authorized to identify and hail premature starters.

## **13 THE FINISH**

13.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying an ORANGE FLAG on the R/C vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end finishing mark (mark A).

13.2 Competitors are asked to quickly clear the finish line as soon as possible.

## **14. PENALTIES AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT:**

14.1 For all classes, the first two sentences of Rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while racing or rule 31. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'

## 15 TIME LIMIT

15.1 Boats not finished by 1930 (8:00 PM) will be scored DNF. This modifies RRS 35.

## 16 PROTESTS

16.1 RRS T3 is in effect and is modified to read as follows: A boat intending to protest or request redress based on an incident in the racing area that she is involved in or sees shall, at the first reasonable opportunity after she finishes, inform the RC at the finishing line of her intent to protest or request redress and, when applicable, the identity of the protested vessel, and obtain R/C acknowledgment.

16.2 For Races 1-3, Protests forms shall be emailed to [info@rigworks.com](mailto:info@rigworks.com) within one hour of the Race Committee docking. For Race 4, Protests shall be in writing and filed with the Race Committee at SWYC within 1 hour of the time of the R/C boat docking.

16.3 The parties involved will be contacted, and protests (or arbitration) will be heard as soon as practicable. This posting constitutes the notice required by RRS 63.2, Time and Place of the Hearing.

16.4 Appendix T5 (protest arbitration) applies.

## **17 PENALTIES TAKEN AFTER A RACE**

*17.1 Appendix T2 applies.*

*17.2 In accord with Appendix T2.2, the Scoring Penalty under Rule 44.3(c) will be based on the number of boats starting in that class, rounded to the next larger whole number.*

## **18 WITHDRAWAL**

*18.1 A boat intending to withdraw from racing shall notify the R/C of her withdrawal. Failure to do so may result in disqualification by the R/C for the remaining B/C races, and/or future CRA events. This modifies 60.2, 63.1 and A5.*

## **19 SCORING**

*19.1 Four races are scheduled in the series. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.*

*19.2 One race will be excluded. The number of races abandoned by the R/C will not affect the number of excluded races.*

*19.3 The rating on a boat's certificate that is in effect at the time of a boat's entry will apply to all races in the series regardless of whether the boat's rating is changed during the series.*

## **20 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

*20.1 The Race Committee will use VHF Ch.68 for giving course instructions, for all communications with competitors on the water and as an aid to provide information. This modifies RRS 41(c).*

*20.2 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio*

transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile devices as well as VHF radios.

## 21 TIME TO PARTY!

21.1 Join us for the Summer's End Bash at SWYC immediately following the last race on Wed. 9/16/15 for regatta results, dancing, good company and good times.

**\*Free Taco / Nacho Bar**

**\*\*PRINTED PHOTO** of your boat sailing in the regatta, photographed by Cynthia Sinclair (You get to choose your favorite one for us to print!)

**\*\*\*RAFFLE PRIZES**

**\*\*\*\*LIVE BEACH ROCK** from



Check them out at:

<http://sandollartheband.com>

21.2 Fiddlers Green will be offering Happy Hour prices all night on race nights for all Summer's End Series competitors. Come meet us for a drink!

21.3 All skippers and crews are invited to the post-race parties. Please note that all alcoholic beverages consumed at the parties must be purchased at the Host facility. Beverages and spirits are not to be brought to the host facility. Skippers are to inform their crew and guests that inappropriate conduct at the hosted post-race parties

*will not be tolerated, and may result in sanctions against the boat, skipper, and crew (RRS 69). Refer to the NOR for additional activities and awards.*

## **22 PRIZES**

*22.1 Trophies will be awarded to series top contestants in each class during the Summer's End Bash following the last race of the series.*

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