



RICHMOND YACHT CLUB

2016 INTRA CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

RACE #4 SATURDAY OCTOBER 15 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. **RULES:** This race will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). RRS 40 is modified to require participants to wear personal buoyancy while racing. Code Flag Y will not be displayed.
2. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:** All RYC members are eligible to enter their PHRF-rated boats of at least 18ft waterline length, (current PHRF certificates not required). Boats shall enter by completing on line registration at www.richmondyc.org no later than 1700 Thursday October 13.
3. **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS:** Notices to competitors will be available on line by 1700 Friday October 14.
4. **DIVISIONS:** Boats will all race in spinnaker divisions divided according to their PHRF rating. PHRF 106 and below is division F; above PHRF 106 is division D.
6. **START/FINISH:** Starts and Finishes will be from the RYC Committee boat Pelican which will be anchored in the Southampton Shoal / Berkeley Circle area. The start/finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on Pelican and a temporary mark which shall be left to port. All boats must assure that their mainsail numbers are visible to the Race Committee when finishing.
7. **RACE SCHEDULE:** First warning 1400
PHRF Division D Hoist Flag D
PHRF Division F Hoist Flag F
8. **THE COURSE:** the course will be designated by a numeral pennant displayed on the Committee boat.

#1	start	YRA 17/P	Alcatraz/port	FINISH		
#2	start	YRA 17/P	FINISH			
#3	start	temporary RYC mark	W/port	YRA 17/port	Alcatraz//port	finish
#4	start	temporary RYC mark	W/port	YRA 17/port	finish	

9. MARKS: Temporary RYC mark W will be an inflatable positioned approximately .5nm to windward of the starting line.
YRA 17 RG HR Harding Rock
Alcatraz Island
10. RESTRICTED AREAS: The Start/Finish line is restricted except when Starting and finishing.
Pt Blunt buoy off Angel Island shall be left to the north
Boats shall not pass between Alcatraz and little Alcatraz Rock Buoy GR
11. TIME LIMIT AND SCORING: Time limit is 1800 on race day. Boats finishing after that time will be scored DNF without a hearing.. This modifies RRS 35 and A5.
Handicap scoring is time on time.
12. PROTESTS: Protest Filing deadline is 1 hour after the Committee boat returns to the dock.
13. COMMUNICATIONS: Pre-race check-in is not required. The Race Committee may monitor channel 79. Boats retiring from the race shall inform the Race Committee (phone 510-541-5510) or the Harbormaster (phone 510-234-6959) as soon as possible.
14. INTERFERENCE WITH COMMERCIAL VESSELS: Boats shall not impede the passage of commercial vessels and shall comply with USCG Navigation Rules. If a commercial vessel has sounded five blasts and the vessel or Coast Guard identifies a boat by sail number, the Race Committee shall protest that boat. The Protest Committee will assume the protested boat has impeded passage or violated USCG Navigation Rules. The protested boat shall have the burden of proving otherwise. In the case of complaint by vessel traffic or the Coast Guard, protest time limit will be extended up to two days after conclusion of the race. This changes RRS 51.3. Compliance with RRS 60.2 is not required.
15. PARTY AFTER: An Oktoberfest party featuring traditional Oktoberfest food and Beer will be held in the RYC clubhouse.

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