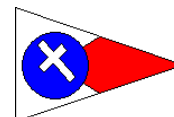


SANTA CRUZ YACHT CLUB
2016 MELGES 24 CALIFORNIA CUP
SEPTEMBER 17TH AND 18TH OF 2016
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



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1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The following Class Rules are in effect: International Melges 24 Class Rules 2016.
- 1.3. US Sailing prescriptions to rules 60, 63.2 and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.4. Rule 40 is changed to require competitors wear a personal flotation device while racing, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Flag Y will not be displayed.
- 1.5. Appendix T, Alternate Procedures for Dispute Resolution; Sections A, B, and D will apply.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board and may be posted on-line.
- 2.2. The SCYC Official Notice Board is located in the northeast window of the Clubhouse, upper level.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to these sailing instructions will be posted before 1145 on the day it will take effect, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SCYC Clubhouse flagpole.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in race signals AP.

5. SCHEDULE

Friday, September 16th

1700-1900 Registration & check in SCYC regatta shed

Saturday, September 17th

0930-1100 Check in at SCYC lower deck

1100 Competitors meeting SCYC lower deck

1255 Warning signal for first race Three races scheduled

After Racing Pizza and no host bar at SCYC clubhouse

Sunday, September 18th

1230 Warning signal for first race Three races scheduled

1500 No warning signal after this time

After Racing Awards SCYC upper deck

6. CLASS FLAG

The class flag is white with Melges 24 in black.

7. RACING AREA

The racing area will be within three miles of Walton Lighthouse at Santa Cruz Harbor.

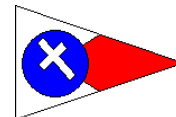
8. THE COURSES

The diagram and table in Attachment A show the courses, including the approximate positions of the marks, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which they are to be left.

9. MARKS

- 9.1. Mark 1 is orange and mark 2 is yellow. Both are inflatable tetrahedrons. Mark S is a red ball.
- 9.2. Marks 1, 2, and NB are rounding marks.
- 9.3. Mark NB is an unmarked yellow ball, approximate location is: N36° 56.60' W122° 03.70'
- 9.4. The starting and finishing marks will be a red ball and the signal boat. If the signal boat is not on station, a red ball may replace it.

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10. THE START

- 10.1. The starting line will be between mark S and an orange flag displayed from a staff aboard the signal boat.
- 10.2. Boats that are identified On Course Side after at the start may be hailed on VHF channel 68. Failure to make a broadcast, the time or contents of a broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

11. THE FINISH

- 11.1. The finishing line will be between mark S and an orange flag displayed from a staff aboard the signal boat.
- 11.2. If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time and her position in relation to nearby boats to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

13. TIME LIMITS

- 13.1. The time limit for the first boat to finish is ninety (90) minutes, Except for Course 4, which is 120 minutes.
- 13.2. If no boat has sailed the course and finished within the time limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 13.3. Boats failing to finish within fifteen (15) minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) without a hearing and will be assigned points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus one. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1. Protest Forms are available at the SCYC Regatta Shed and Clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.2. The protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the signal boat has arrived at her berth in Santa Cruz Harbor. The protest filing time limit will be posted.
- 14.3. Notices will be posted no later than thirty (30) minutes after the protest filing time limit to inform boats of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Parties to a protest and witnesses will be notified of the date and time of the hearing as soon as it is scheduled.

15. SCORING

- 15.1. Two (2) races are required to constitute a series.
- 15.2. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores.
- 15.3. When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes rule A2.

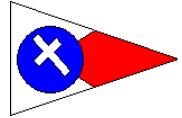
16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as reasonably possible.

17. PRIZES

- 17.1. Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority on the basis of participation.

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Attachment A – Courses

Marks 1, 2, and NB are always left to PORT

Mark NB is an unmarked yellow ball, approximate location is: N36° 56.60' W122° 03.70'

Course diagram is not to scale

Course	Mark Rounding Order
1	Start -> 1 -> Finish
2	Start -> 1 -> 2 -> 1 -> Finish
3	Start -> 1 -> 2 -> 1 -> 2 -> 1 -> Finish
4	Start -> NB -> Finish

