



RICHMOND YACHT CLUB

Totally Dinghy Regatta

September 24 & 25, 2016

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organizing Authority and Host: Richmond Yacht Club, Point Richmond, California

1 RULES

- 1.0 This regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing for 2013-2016 (RRS).
- 1.1 RRS 40 is deleted and replaced by "Competitors are required to wear a PFD while racing except briefly while changing clothing". Code Flag "Y" will not be displayed. Wet Suits or Dry Suits do not qualify as PFDs, but are strongly encouraged due to the water temperatures of San Francisco Bay.
- 1.2 The first two sentences of RRS 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."

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the RYC Bulletin Board on the north wall of the Regatta Room in the southeast corner of the first floor of the club.

3 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

- 3.1 Any written change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted no later than 0930 on the day it is to take effect with the exception that a change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 the day before it is to take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE:

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the yardarm of the mast on the RYC clubhouse deck.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 40 minutes' in race signal AP. This changes RRS Signals.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Skippers Meeting 9/24	10:30 AM, lower deck
Saturday, Race 1 First Warning	11:30 for Potrero Channel 12:00 for Southampton
Subsequent races Warning	Shortly after completion of previous race
Sunday warning	11:30 both courses

- 5.2 No race will be started after 1600 Saturday, 1500 Sunday.

5.3 Multiple races are planned for each day. There will be one throwout after six or more races have been completed.

6 RACING AREAS:

The planned racing areas are the Potrero Channel and the vicinity of Southampton Shoals. A preliminary location will be announced during the skipper's meeting.

7 CLASS FLAG ASSIGNMENT:

7.1 Potrero Channel Course:

El Toro	E
Bytes	Class Flag
Day Sailer	D
Banshee	B
Snipe	Class Flag
Open Class	O

7.2 Southampton Course:

Class	Flag
Open Class	E
Wylie Wabbit	Class Flag
Thistle	Class Flag
29ers	D
Laser	Class Flag
Laser Radial	Class Flag

NOTE: Depending on the number of boats registered in each class and the list of classes to be given a start, it is possible that the combinations of classes in a single start, the classes assigned to Open Class that will be competing using a Portsmouth rating (classes with less than 5 boats racing), and the initial order of starts may be changed by verbal amendment at the Saturday Skippers' Meeting or on the water through the display of class flags at the warning signal. This changes RRS 90.2(c).

8 THE COURSES

8.1 Attachments A & B show the race courses for the respective Race Areas, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is left. Marks 1, 2, 3 & 4 are temporary yellow or orange marks. Start/finish marks on the Potrero Channel course are floating can buoys with red flag tops. Start/finish marks of the Southampton course are temporary red inflatable marks/balls.

8.2 Courses shall be signaled with a numeral flag.

9 STARTING:

9.1 RRS 26 is changed as follows. The signal flag is displayed when it reaches its intended position.

<i>Minutes before starting signal</i>	<i>Visual signal</i>	<i>Sound signal</i>	<i>Means</i>
3	Class flag	One	Warning signal
2	P, I, Z, Z with I, or black flag	One	Preparatory signal
1	Preparatory flag removed	One long	One minute
0	Class flag removed	One	Starting signal

- 9.2** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat and the starting mark. See Attachments A & B.
- 9.3** A boat starting later than 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored “Did Not Start” without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 9.4** The warning signal for a succeeding class will be no less than one minute after the starting signal for the preceding class. Classes may be started in any order, although in the first race each day classes will be started in the order stated in the Competitors’ Briefing held at 1030 on Saturday, September 24. The starting class will be identified by the class flag as described in 7.0.

10 RECALLS

The failure of a hail, the failure of a boat to hear the hail or the order of the hails shall not be grounds for redress.

11 RESTRICTED AREAS

- 11.1** The start and finish lines are restricted. After completing the first leg of the course, a boat shall not cross the starting line. A boat shall not cross the finishing line until she is completing the last leg of the course and is finishing. A boat that breaks this rule shall be exonerated if she takes a One-Turn Penalty promptly after the infraction and in any case before completing the leg of the course on which the infraction occurred (see Rule 44.2 and instruction 17). This changes RRS 28.1.

12 FINISHING

- 12.1** The Finish will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat and the finishing mark. See Attachments A & B.

13 TIME LIMITS

- 13.1** Southampton course: The first boat in each class must finish within 1.5 (one and a half) hours of its start. A boat finishing more than 20 minutes after the first boat in its class finishes will be scored as “Did Not Finish” without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 13.2** Potrero Channel course: The first boat in each class must finish within 1 (one) hour of its start. A boat finishing more than 20 minutes after the first boat in its class finishes will be scored as “Did Not Finish” without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

14 SAFETY

- 14.1** All boats SHALL carry a 30 ft. towline, attached to the bow or mast for towing or to assist in boat recovery.
- 14.2** Prior to the first race each day, boats are strongly urged to sail past the stern of the committee boat and hail her sail number for recognition.
- 14.3** Competitors are reminded of Fundamental RRS 1.2: It shall also be the sole responsibility of each boat to decide whether or not to start or continue to race as stated in RRS 4.
- 14.4** A boat which retires from racing is asked to notify the RC before leaving the racing area.
- 14.5** Competitors are reminded that commercial vessels have the right of way at all times and violations are subject to protest.

15 SCORING

- 15.1** One race will constitute a series and each boat's series score is the total of her races. There will be no throw-outs.
- 15.2** Open Class boats will be scored using the Portsmouth handicapping system.
- 16 SAIL NUMBERS**
- 16.1** All sail number changes must be made by the competitors ON-LINE before 9 AM, Saturday, September 24th 2016.
- 17 PROTEST AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS**
- 17.1** Protest forms will be available near the RYC Regatta Bulletin Board in the Regatta Room. Protests shall be delivered to a Race Committee representative within the protest time limit. The protest time limit shall be 30 minutes from the time the Finish Race Committee Boat returns to the dock. The return time will be posted on the RYC Bulletin Board in the Regatta Room.
- 17.2** Notices will be posted within 20 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of the hearing in which they are parties.
- 17.3** Protests will be heard in the approximate order they were received as far as practical.
- 17.4** In addition to complying with the rules for filing a protest, a boat is strongly encouraged to inform the Race Committee at the finish of the race in which the incident occurred of their intention to file a protest and whom they are protesting.
- 18 PRIZES**
- 18.1** First, Second, and Third place for classes with 10 or more boats. First and Second place for classes with 5 – 9 boats.

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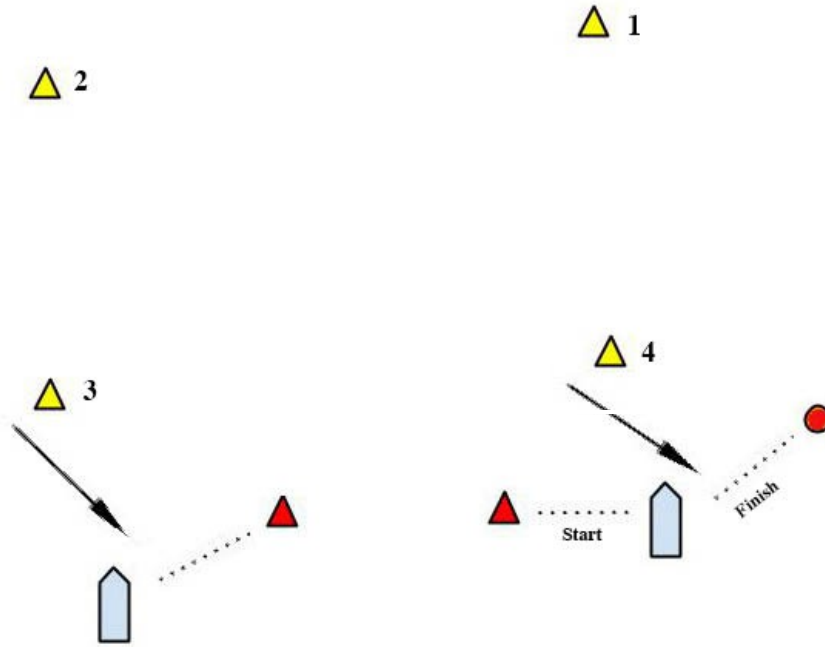
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Southampton Courses

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Attachment A



Marks

Marks 1, 2, 3, & 4 are rounding marks.

All marks are to be rounded to port.

Courses

- 1 – Start – 1 – 4 – 1 – 4 – Finish
- 2 – Start – 1 – 4 – 1 – 4 – 1 – 4 – Finish
- 3 – Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish
- 4 – Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – Finish
- 5 – Start – 1 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish
- 6 – Start – 1 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – Finish

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Potrero Channel Course

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Attachment B

Marks

1 – Windward Marks

3 – Reaching Mark

4 – Leeward Mark

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Courses

1 – Start – 1 – 4 – Finish

2 – Start – 1 – 3 – 4 – Finish

3 – Start – 1 – 4 – 1 – 4 – Finish

4 – Start – 1 – 3 – 4 – 1 – 4 – Finish

5 – Start – 1 – 3 – 4 – 1 – 3 – 4 – Finish

6 – Start – 1 – 4 – 1 – 3 – 4 – 1 – 4 – Finish

