



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
2017 SCYA Midwinter Regatta
Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club
February 18-19, 2017

1. RULES

The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, the rules of the Harbor 20 Class Association and Harbor 20 Fleet 1, and the rules of the Thistle Class.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located adjacent to the first floor offices of Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club (BCYC).

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1000 on the day it will take effect, except that 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 at 1000.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. COURSES AND MARKS

- 5.1. The racing area will be in Newport Harbor in the area commonly referred to as the "Five Points Area".
- 5.2. Courses will be windward/leeward.
- 5.3. The course will be displayed before the Preparatory Signal.
- 5.4. "W" is the orange tetrahedron to windward of the start/finish line. It shall be taken to port.
- 5.5. "O" is a yellow tetrahedron offset from the windward mark. It shall be taken to port.
- 5.6. "L" is the orange tetrahedron to leeward of the start/finish line. It shall be taken to port.
- 5.7. "G" is the leeward gate comprised of two (2) round red buoys. After passing through the gate, competitors may round the buoy to port or to starboard.
- 5.8. The possible courses to sail are shown in Attachment 1.

6. CHECK-IN

- 6.1. Before the first Warning Signal for the first race, each boat shall: 1) sail past the Race Committee boat on starboard tack; 2) announce her sail number; and 3) obtain the recognition of her sail number by the Race Committee.
- 6.2. The Race Committee may penalize a boat for failure to check in.

7. START/FINISH

- 7.1. The Start and Finish Line will be located in Newport Harbor in the vicinity commonly referred to as "Five Points".
- 7.2. The first warning signal each day is scheduled for 1300 hours.
- 7.3. The Start line will be a line between an orange flag on the Race Committee boat and an orange flag on a staff.
- 7.4. The Finish Line will be a separate line between an orange flag on a Race Committee boat and an orange flag on a staff.
- 7.5. Races will be started using RRS 26 modified for 3-minutes (as shown at the end of this document). This changes RRS 26.
- 7.6. There will be a brief delay between the start signal and the subsequent warning signal.
- 7.7. The order of start and the flags used by Race Committee for signaling will be:

START #	START GROUP	CODE FLAG
1	Harbor 20 A	A or H20 Division A Flag
2	Harbor 20 B	B or H20 Division B Flag
3	Harbor 20 C	C or H20 Division C Flag
4	Thistle	D or Thistle Class Flag

- 7.8. Five (5) boats will constitute a group entitled to start. Competitors must be alert for the display and/or announcement of their start group flag at the warning signal for each race.
- 7.9. Boats whose Warning Signal have not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of boats starting and finishing.
- 7.10. The start and finish line marks are not marks of the course except when starting or finishing.

8. TIME LIMIT

- 8.1. The time limit for the first boat in each group to finish will be one (1) hour.
- 8.2. Boats failing to finish within ten (10) minutes after the first boat in their start group finishes will be scored "DNF".

9. PROTESTS

- 9.1. RRS 61.1 is changed by adding this sentence: "When a boat intends to protest, she shall notify the Race Committee at the finishing line and inform the Race Committee of the identity of the other boat involved in the incident."
- 9.2. Protests shall be written on forms available at the front desk of BCYC and shall be delivered to the front desk no later than sixty (60) minutes after the Race Committee Finish Boat has docked at BCYC. That time will be posted.
- 9.3. Protests will be heard at the time and in the order determined by the Protest Committee. This may be at a time other than the conclusion of the day's racing.
- 9.4. Only the skipper may represent his or her boat in a hearing. No coach or other party may represent a boat or file a protest on her behalf. This changes RRS 63.
- 9.5. It is the sole responsibility of each boat involved to be ready and have witnesses available when the hearing is called.

10. PENALTIES

RRS 44.1 is changed to a One Turn Penalty.

11. SCORING

- 11.1. The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 11.2. Four (4) races are scheduled on each of the two days.
- 11.3. If eight (8) races are run and a boat participates in all eight (8) races, its worst score will be excluded from the total of the score. This modifies RRS Appendix A2.
- 11.4. A boat that did not start, did not finish, or retired, shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of **starters** in the race. A boat that is disqualified will be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of **entries** in the race. This modifies RRS A4.2.
- 11.5. Three races shall constitute a series.

12. TROPHIES

Trophies will be presented at BCYC after the last race of the Regatta.

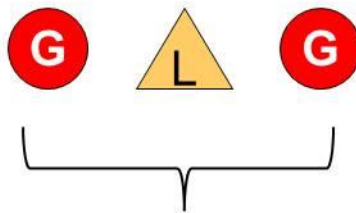
RRS 26 - MODIFIED FOR 3-MINUTES

SIGNAL	VISUAL SIGNAL	SOUND	WHEN
Warning	Class Flag Up	One Horn	3 minutes before start
Preparatory	Preparatory Flag Up	One Horn	2 minutes before start
	Preparatory Flag Down	One Long Horn	1 minute before start
	Class Flag Down	1 horn	START

ATTACHMENT 1 - MARKS & COURSES

COURSE #	COURSE
1	W - O - L - Fin
2	W - O - L - W - O - L - Fin
3	W - O - L - W - O - L - W - O - L - Fin
4	W - O - G - Fin
5	W - O - G - W - O - G - Fin
6	W - O - G - W - O - G - W - O - G - Fin
7	W - O - Fin
8	W - O - L - W - O - Fin
9	W - O - G - W - O - Fin

DRAWING BELOW IS NOT TO SCALE



Either "L" or both "G" in water