

ASMBYC - WOMEN ON WATER/ WOMAN AT HELM REGATTA
September 23 and 24, 2017
Marina del Rey, California

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Organizing Authority for this event is Association of Santa Monica bay Yacht Clubs.

1. RULES

- 1.1. This regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in ***The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020.***
- 1.2. RRS 63.7 will be replaced by: "If there is any conflict between a rule in the Notice of Race and one in the Sailing instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall apply".
- 1.3. Rules 63.1, A4.1 and A5 will be changed so that a boat starting more than five (5) minutes after her Starting Signal will be scored DNS without a hearing.
- 1.4. Rule 82 will not apply to this event.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Any notice will be posted on the Regatta Network website by 0900 each race day at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/15425>.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Regatta Network website at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/15425> by 0900 on the day it will take effect.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 **For the WOW and WAH Performance classes** the RC will attempt to run a total of five races, three on Saturday and two on Sunday. Without posting a change to the schedule of races, the RC reserves the right to run one more race on Sunday if fewer than the scheduled numbers of races are completed on Saturday.
- 4.2 **For the WAH Cruising Division** two races are scheduled for Saturday and one on Sunday. For any division, at its discretion the RC may run fewer total races.

4.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1155 hours.

5. CLASS SPLITS, FLAGS AND ORDER OF STARTS

5.1 Class splits, flags and order of starts will be posted by 0900 hours race day at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/15425>.

6. VENUE/ COURSES

- 6.1. Races will be held outside the Marina del Rey detached breakwater. Start/Finish line will be in the vicinity of S Mark (see Course Chart 17 for lat-long location).
- 6.2. Courses are described in the Attachments (below). These include Random Leg courses for WAH Cruising and Windward/Leeward Course Charts for performance boats.
- 6.3. Windward/Leeward courses will be selected from the attached Course chart. Random Leg courses for the Cruising Division will be selected from the attached Cruising Division course chart.
- 6.4. For WOW and WAH Performance, no later than the preparatory signal the Race Committee will display the course number and letter designating the weather mark. If the weather mark is U, the Race Committee will also display a yellow or orange flag (see SI 7.1 and 7.2). This changes **RRS 27.1**.
- 6.5. For WAH Cruiser class no later than the preparatory signal the Race Committee will display the course number only. This changes **RRS 27.1**.

7. MARKS

7.1. Marks used this regatta are on Marina del Rey Course Chart 17.

7.2. WOW and WAH-Performance classes: **Note the potential use of windward “U” Mark(s)** on Course Chart 17. “U” Mark, set to windward of S mark at ½ NM along axes of marks A, B, (orange inflatable) E, F (yellow inflatable).

If a windward “U” Mark is used, it will be placed to weather of “S” Mark at ½ mile, on the axis of ONE of the permanent marks A, B, E, F.

- **For axis A or B, an orange inflatable shape will be used.**
- **For axis E or F, a yellow inflatable shape will be used.**

If the windward mark is U, the Race Committee will display a yellow or orange flag indicating color of inflatable shape. This changes **RRS 27.1**.

7.3. WOW and WAH Performance: All Marks shall be rounded to port.

Cruising division: Mark rounding directions are specified in each numbered Course (see Attachment 1).

8. CHECK-IN

8.1 Prior to the warning signal for the first race each day the Race Committee will display the “L” flag. All boats shall check in by sailing astern of the RC boat, check in be recognized by Race Committee. Please do not approach the race committee boat until she is flying the “L” flag.

9. THE START

9.1 The starting line will be between an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and an inflatable tetrahedron at the port end. The race committee boat will be anchored in the vicinity of S Mark.

9.2. An orange or yellow shape may be set off the back of the RC boat during the starting sequence and at the start. This shape, and the line connecting it to the RC boat, shall be considered part of the RC boat and thus part of the starting mark.

9.3. The starting line shall be **restricted** to boats that have not started. A boat that has started and is racing that crosses the starting line has violated the restricted line and may exonerate herself by taking a two-turns penalty.

9.4. **For the first race of each day**, a rolling 5 minute sequence will be used to start all classes. The starting signal for each class will be the warning signal for the next class.

9.5. **After the first race** of each day, the RC will start subsequent races as soon as practicable. WOW and WAH Performance class boats **may or may not** start in the same sequence; Cruisers may be started separately. To indicate a warning signal is imminent, the RC will sound multiple sound signals approximately one minute before the warning signal, and may provide information by radio.

9.6. Boats whose class warning signal has not been made shall stay to leeward, by three hull-lengths, of the starting line. Boats not in their starting sequence that come within three hull-lengths of the starting line may be protested by the Race Committee.

9.7. The Race Committee may attempt to notify recalled boats by hailing their sail number on the designated VHF channel. No part of this hail, or lack thereof, shall be considered grounds for redress.

10. CHANGE OF COURSE

10.1. Any change without a class flag shall apply to all classes.

11. THE FINISH

11.1 The finishing line for all classes will be between a checkered flag on the Race Committee boat at one end and a spar buoy with a checkered flag at the other.

11.2. The **finishing line is restricted** to boats that are finishing the race. A boat that is racing, but not finishing, that crosses the finishing line may exonerate herself with a two-turns penalty.

11.3. Boats that have finished shall immediately clear the finish area.

12. NOTICE OF RETIREMENT

13.1. Any boat retiring shall notify the Race Committee, and receive confirmation, as soon as possible.

13. TIME LIMIT

14.1 The time limit for WOW and WAH Performance classes is 25 minutes of the first boat in their class finishes.

14.2. Time limit for WAH Cruising is 1630 for the last race of each day.

14. PROTESTS

- 14.1 Any boat intending to file a protest shall notify the Race Committee after finishing that race.
- 14.2. Protest forms will be available at the host yacht club. Protests shall be delivered to a Race Committee official at the host yacht club within the protest time limit of one hour after the RC boat docks.
- 14.3. Protests will be heard as soon as possible.

15. SCORING

- 15.1. No race score will be excluded from series scoring. This changes **RRS A2**.
- 15.2. Time on distance scoring will be used.
- 15.3. Two races must be completed to constitute a series for Performance Divisions, one race for the Cruising Division.

16. TROPHIES

- 16.1. The Robert S. Wilson Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner of the WOW division.
- 16.2. The WSA Perpetual Trophy for Woman at the Helm will be awarded to the winner of the largest WAH class (Performance or Cruising), provided that they have not won this award previously.
- 16.3. The Cheryl Rembert Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the Martin 242 with the best performance in the WOW division.
- 16.4 Individual take home trophies will be awarded in each division according to the number of entrants per division

17. COMMUNICATION

- 17.1. All competitors shall carry a VHF radio
- 17.2. The RC will use channel 68 for communications with competitors.
- 17.3. The RC may use the radio to make competitors aware of its intentions, the course to be sailed, starting times, course changes, OCS, postponements, and other information regarding the racing. RC failure to make any race announcement via radio shall not be grounds for redress.

18 HOSPITALITY

- 18.1 On Saturday, hospitality will be held at Pacific Mariners' Yacht Club, 13915 Panay Way, Marina del Rey, CA. On Sunday, hospitality and trophy presentation will be held at Santa Monica Windjammers Yacht Club, 13589 Mindanao Way, Marina del Rey, CA.

19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 19.1 Competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk. See **RRS 4**. The organizing authority, host yacht clubs, and ASMBYC will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the regatta.

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<http://wsasmb.org/wow-wah/>
<http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/13086>

ATTACHMENTS

1. WAH Cruising – Random Leg Courses

The courses will be signaled using the corresponding numerical pennants, using marks from Marina del Rey Course Chart 17

Courses are listed below with the handicap distance provided in nautical miles (NM):

Course No. 11 - Start, S to starboard, E to port, T to port, BB to port, S to port, E to port, T to port, to Finish
(8.8 NM)

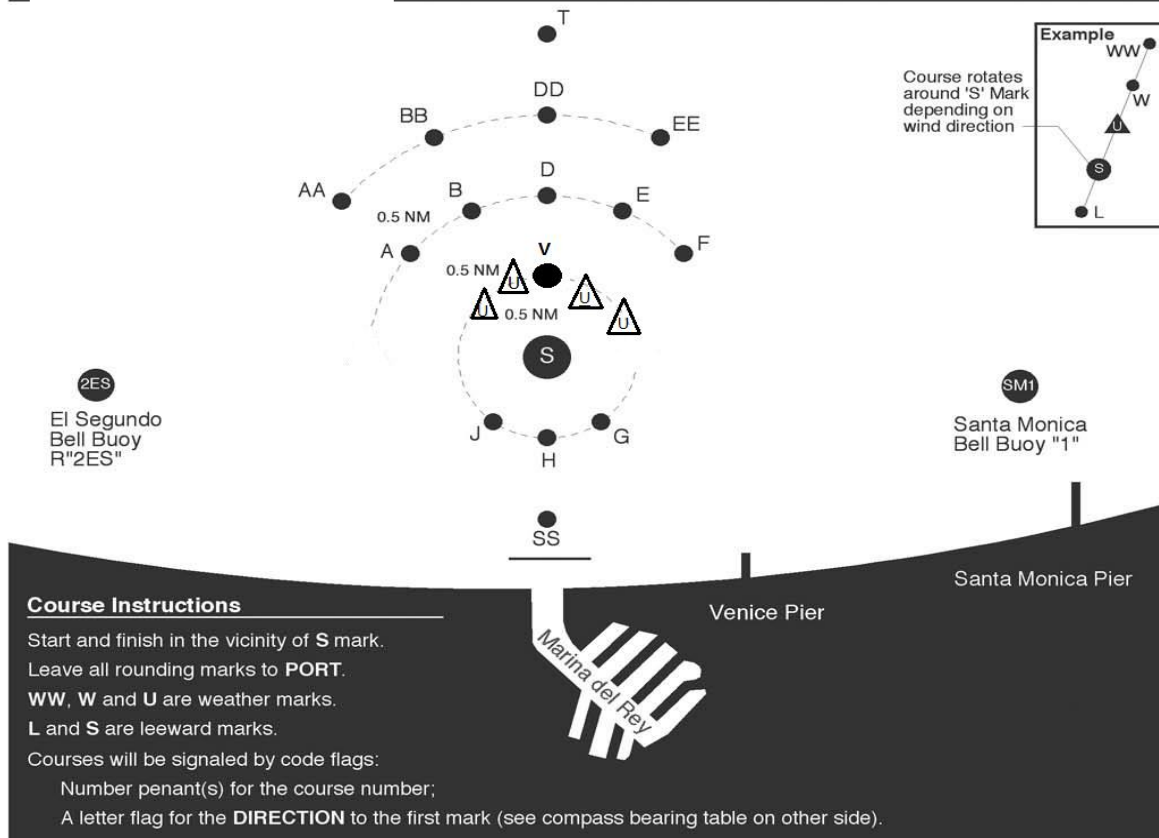
Course No. 12 – Start, S to starboard, T to port, 2ES to port, H to port, E to port, B to port, to Finish
(12.3 NM).

Course No. 13 – Start, S to starboard, E to port, T to port, 2ES to port, H to port, E to port, BB to port, to Finish (13.2 NM).

Course No. 14 – Start, S to starboard, E to port, T to port, SS to starboard, 2ES to starboard, E to port, BB to port, H to port, to Finish.
(14.0 NM)

Course No. 15 – Start, S to starboard, T to port, 2ES to port, SS to port, 2ES to starboard, BB to starboard, to Finish.
(15.8 NM)

Marina del Rey Course Chart



SIGNALS

Performance courses will be signaled by course # and windward mark.
 Cruising courses will be signaled by course number only.

COURSE CHART 17

All courses start and finish near **S** mark.
L (Leeward) mark is based on the given **W** (Windward) mark.

For **W** (windward) mark: **AA, A, BB, B, U** (orange inflatable): Use **G** as **L** (leeward) mark

For **W** (windward) mark: **EE, E, F, U** (yellow Inflatable): Use **J** as **L** (leeward) mark

For **W** (windward) mark: **D, DD, V**: Use **H** as **L** (leeward) mark

MARK DESCRIPTIONS

All marks are yellow spars OR inflatable tetrahedrons (orange or yellow)

SPECIAL NOTE:

- “**U**” Mark, set to windward of **S** mark at $\frac{1}{2}$ NM along axes of marks **A, B**, (orange inflatable) **E, F** (yellow inflatable).

2. WOW and WAH-Performance Course Chart

Windward / Leeward Course Numbers, Descriptions and Distances

Marks are rounded to port

NOTE: Course descriptions used here employ the following terms:

- “W” denotes WINDWARD mark
- “L” denotes LEEWARD mark
- When S Mark is a mark of the course it is specified as “S Mark”

<u>Course Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Course length in NM to windward mark:</u> V, U	<u>Course length in NM to windward mark:</u> A, B, D, E
1	Start - W - Finish	1	2
2	Start - W – “S Mark” – W - Finish	2	4
3	Start- W – L – W – Finish	3	5
4	Start - W – L – W – “S Mark” - W - Finish	4	7
5	Start - W – L – Finish	2	3
6	Start - W – “S Mark” – W - L – Finish	3	5
7	Start – W – L – W – L - Finish	4	6
8	Start – W – “S Mark” – W – L – W – L - Finish	5	8