

OCEANSIDE YACHT CLUB – MAY 12, 2018
WOMEN'S REGATTA OUTSIDE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

- 1.1 The race will be governed in order of precedence by “The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020” (RRS), the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association, these Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race (NOR).

2. Notices To Competitors

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Regatta Bulletin Board located on Oceanside Yacht Club Balcony.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions and/or notices to competitors will be posted on the OYC bulletin board prior to completion of the Skippers meeting. Oral changes MAY be given on the water.

4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the OYC flagpole.

5. Schedule Of Races

- 5.1 Schedule of races will be as specified in the Notice of Race.

6. Class Flags

- 6.1 Class flags will be specified at the skippers meeting.

7. Racing Area

- 7.1 The racing area will be as shown in the 2017 Womens Regatta Course Chart with these Sailing Instructions.

8. The Courses

- 8.1 Candidate courses are listed in 2018 Womens Regatta Course Chart.
- 8.2 At or before the warning signal for each start, the **course** will be posted in **Arabic** numerals.
- 8.3 The approximate magnetic course from the committee boat to the first mark along with others is indicated on the 2016 Womens Regatta Course Chart
- 8.4 The start/finish line shall be considered restricted except when starting, finishing, or on a leg where K is a mark on the course. On a leg where K is a mark on the course, the boat shall pass between the committee boat and K mark.

9. Marks

- 9.1 Permanent marks are 6’ poles with floats, painted yellow or white.

10. The Start

- 10.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26, with classes starting at 5 min intervals. Classes will start in the order announced at the skippers meeting and maybe changed on the water by the RC.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end of the line and an orange or yellow inflatable buoy or a yellow 6’ pole at the port end. R/C boat may float an orange buoy behind it. This will be considered part of the R/C boat.
- 10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and shall keep clear of all boats whose warning signal has been made.

- 10.4 Boats starting later than four minutes after their starting signal will be scored DNS (Did Not Start).

11. Recalls

- 11.1 The Race Committee will attempt to hail the sail numbers of OCS boats after the starting signal. The failure of any boat to hear the hail shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

12. The Finish

- 12.1 The finish will be between an orange flag on the Race Committee boat and a finish line mark.

13. Penalty System

- 13.1 Rule 44.2, will apply, except that one complete 360° turn, including one tack and one gybe, is prescribed rather than two. This changes RRS 44.2.

14. Time Limit

- 14.1 The time limit will be 1630 hours. If no boat of a class has finished by 1630 the race is abandoned for that class. Boats finishing after 1630 will be scored “DID NOT FINISH” (DNF). This changes RRS Rule 35.
- 14.2 If a boat in last place in a race is delaying the start of another race, the race committee may terminate the race and score that boat in the place she would have finished.

15. Protest

- 15.1 A boat intending to protest shall notify the Race Committee immediately after finishing the race and before leaving the racing area.
- 15.2 A protest shall be written on a US Sailing Protest form, available at OYC, and lodged with the Race Committee within thirty minutes after the Race Committee boat docks.

16. Scoring

- 16.1 The low point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply. Each boat’s series score shall be the total of her race scores, including her worst score. This changes RRS A2.
- 16.2 The number of races scheduled and the number required to be completed to constitute a series shall be stated in the NOR. This changes RRS A1.

17. Safety Regulations

- 17.1 When flag “L” is flown by the race committee boat before the first warning signal, each boat shall sail on starboard tack, close by the stern of the committee boat, and hail her sail number, which will be acknowledged. Boats failing to check in prior to first warning, but starting, may be scored “DID NOT START” (DNS).
- 17.2 A boat retiring from a race shall notify a race committee vessel before leaving the course, or when that is impossible, the OYC office immediately after arrival ashore. Notification may be made by radio on channel 68. Failure to notify the Race Committee may result in Disqualification (DSQ).

18. Radio Communications

- 18.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats.