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SAUSALITO YACHT CLUB

Rear Commodore's Race

Saturday, June 22nd, 2019

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the US Sailing Prescriptions, the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions.

2. Safety

Boats shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway (see US Dept. of Commerce chart 18649 for designated narrow channels and fairways of SF Bay) or fishing or other vessel with restricted ability to maneuver. Boats identified by sail number who endanger their own safety or that of the commercial or government vessel will be subject to protest by the Race Committee (RC) or a contestant and face possible disqualification. A protest for allegations of the above will be heard by a protest committee whether or not the requirements of RRS 61.1(a) and (b) have been fulfilled or exclusions referenced in RRS 60.2(a) have been met.

To comply with this section and to avoid impeding such a vessel, a competitor may utilize auxiliary power without being obligated to retire (in accordance with RRS 42.3(i)) for only as long as required to clear a channel expeditiously. In so doing, she shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. She shall then be subjected to a scoring penalty of 2 places worse than she would have received, however she shall not be scored worse than Did not Finish.

Personal safety is the responsibility of each individual while racing. While wearing a personal flotation device is not a requirement of this regatta it is encouraged.

3. Entries

Entry is open to all sailing boats with a valid PHRF certificate from the YRA of Northern California. Yachts without a current certificate or YRA listing may have a PHRF number assigned at the discretion of the race committee. Competitors may enter online or by submitting a completed entry form to the regatta PRO before the first warning signal.

4. Notices to Competitors and Changes to Sailing Instructions

Notices to competitors or changes to these Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board at the SYC clubhouse. Notices will be posted not later than 1800hrs on Friday, June 21st. Notices may also be posted on the SYC website but the official notice board will prevail.

5. Schedule and Class Flags

First Warning	Classes	Flag
1100	Spinnaker and Non-spinnaker	A

6. Course and Marks

The start is in the Knox area at the SYC committee boat. The finish line is in the Mare Island Strait in front of the Vallejo Yacht Club (VYC).

The course is: Start, YRA 12 (Little Harding, G “1” Fl G 4 sec) S, Finish.

7. Starting and Finishing Lines

The Starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat and an inflatable mark.

The Finish Line is the extension of a line running from the staff displaying an Orange Flag on the Vallejo Yacht Club deck through the flagstaff at the harbor entrance.

8. Check-In & Retire

Boats are checked in by starting. A boat that retires from the race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

9. Communications

RRS 25 and 60.1(b) are modified to allow for on the water communications between the RC and the racing boats on VHF channel 72. The RC may hail boats that are OCS and the signaled course for the race. The inability of a competitor to hear a hail for OCS or any other information shall not relieve her of her responsibility nor shall it be grounds for redress.

RRS 90.2(c) is amended to allow oral changes to the Sailing Instructions on the water. In the event the RC needs to communicate oral changes it shall raise the “L” flag and attempt to hail competitors on VHF channel 72.

All audible signals will be horns.

10. Restricted Areas

For the purpose of RRS 18, 19 and 28, the following objects shall be left to shoreward: bell buoy 7 off the west end of Alcatraz and Point Blunt buoy off Angel Island. These obstructions are not marks of the course. Any rocks visible at Mean Lower Low water immediately adjacent to Contra Costa County, Marin County, Solano County, or San Francisco shorelines shall be left to shoreward, except for Mile Rock, The Brothers and Red Rock.

11. Reporting Finishing Times

An audible signal will not be given for boats crossing the finishing line. Boats will record their own finish time which must be submitted to race@sausalito yachtclub.org or the regatta chair no later than 1900 hrs. Boats failing to submit their finish time will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35.

12. Time Limit

The time limit is 1800 hrs. Boats finishing after the time limit shall be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

13. Protests

Written protests shall be delivered to the PRO or regatta chair (or their representative) by 1900 hrs. Alternatively, protests may be sent electronically using standard protest forms and emailed to: race@sausalitoyachtclub.org. Electronic submissions must be time stamped no later than 1900. Protests received will be posted on a notice board at the VYC.

14. Scoring

The low point scoring system (RRS A4) with Time on Time corrections will be used.

15. Trophies

Prizes will be awarded for each division after the race at the VYC. The Frank Mora perpetual trophy will be presented at the Fall SYC annual meeting.

16. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. (RRS 4, Decision to Race). The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.