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Sailing Instructions *Spring Pokai Regatta*

Saturday, March 16, 2018

Organizing Authority: Hawaii Yacht Club (HYC)

1. RULES

- 1.1. The race will be conducted according to *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2018-2020* [RRS], including the 2010 updates, US Sailing Prescriptions, Hawaii Yacht Racing Association [HYRA] Prescriptions and HYC Standing Rules for Offshore Races unless otherwise amended in the Notice of Race or these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. RRS 55 is modified to add the following: "However, material used for banding sails may be discarded while setting sails".
- 1.3. Race Q's, will be on and live. (optional)

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at Hawaii Yacht Club [HYC] or on the Main Race Committee Boat.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0830 on the day they will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore on Saturday will be displayed at the HYC flagpole.

5. SCHEDULE OF STARTS

- 5.1 Dates of Racing: All classes will race on Saturday, March 16, 2018.
- 5.2 Number of Races. One race will be sailed for each class.
- 5.3 The Warning for all classes is 10:55 AM

6. CLASS FLAGS

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>FLAG</u>
X/A/B/C	Pink with "X"
Aloha	

7. RACING AREA

The regatta will be held on the waters between Nanakuli and Diamond Head.

8. THE COURSES

8.1. **Course:** Start – DH(s) - M1(s) – R2 Finish. Course length is approximately 27.7nm.

8.2. Boats shall pass all government aids to navigation for the channels listed below to seaward unless specifically listed otherwise as a mark of the course.

- Kewalo Basin
- Honolulu Harbor
- Keehi Lagoon
- Pearl Harbor

9. MARKS

9.1. “DH” is the red Diamond Head buoy.

9.2. “R2” is the red Ala Wai Harbor Channel entrance buoy.

9.3. The starting marks will be an orange inflatable buoy on the port end and the staff of an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat at the Starboard end. R2 will be used as a starting mark in the absence of an orange inflatable buoy.

9.4. “M1” is an inflatable orange tetrahedron. The approximate GPS. coordinates. if M1 will be N 21 17.024, w158 03.387; or within 300 yards of those GPS coordinates if M1 is missing or out of position , the race committee boat may substitute for the mark in accordance with RRS 34.

10. THE START

10.1 The starting sequence will conform to RRS 26.

10.2 Boats starting later than 10 minutes after the last starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11. **THE FINISH** the finishing line will extend 100’ seaward from R2 and a point in the HYC clubhouse with approximate bearing of 008 magnetic (pass R2 to port). All boats shall take their own finishing time and text message the finish time to Ron Uryra at 808 351-7482 within 90 minutes of their finish.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

Yachts that take a penalty or retire under RRS 44.1 shall file a written acknowledgement with the race committee prior to the protest time limit.

13. TIME LIMITS

There is no time limit for finishing the races.

14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

14.1 Protest forms are available downstairs at HYC at Sailing Main Race Notice Board. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the race committee within the appropriate time limit.

14.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat in the race has finished.

14.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of the time and location of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

14.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or the protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

14.5 A list of boats that, under instruction 12, have acknowledged taking a penalty or retiring, will be posted before the protest time limit.

15. ARBITRATION

Arbitration will be offered as described in the Standing Sailing Instructions.

16. SCORING

The PHRF handicap system will be in effect for all boats. Race handicaps will be calculated using the Time-on-Distance method in accordance with the HYRA instructions.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1. **VHF Channel 68** is reserved for essential communications, otherwise yachts shall monitor VHF Channel 16.

17.2. Upon withdrawing from the race, yachts shall inform the race committee via **VHF Channel 68**, by voice hail, or by calling the principal race officer Ron Uryga at 808-351-7482. Failure to do so may result in denied entry to future races.

18. PRIZES

For each class, 1st prize will be awarded if three or more boats enter, 2nd prize will be awarded if five or more boats enter, and 3rd prize will be awarded if seven or more boats enter.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See 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 race.

20. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000 per event or the equivalent.