



## Stockton Sailing Club

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### 2020 STANDING RACE INSTRUCTIONS

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 Races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, 2017-2020 except as modified by these instructions, the Notice of Race, or Sailing Instructions for an individual race or series.

#### 2 ENTRIES

- 2.1 Eligible yachts shall have completed an entry form as prescribed by the Regatta Committee.

#### 3 MINIMUM EQUIPMENT

- 3.1 All yachts must comply with the minimum USCG requirements for recreational vessels.
- 3.2 Yachts competing in a PHRF division, whose handicap rating is based on using an outboard motor, must have a motor on board that can propel the yacht at a minimum of 70% of her hull speed in smooth water.

#### 4 INTERFERENCE WITH OTHER VESSELS

- 4.1 Yachts shall not impede the passage of a vessel, which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway, or fishing or other vessels with restricted ability to maneuver. Yachts so doing, and thereby endangering their own safety or that of other vessels, will be subject to protest by the Regatta Committee or contestants.

#### 5 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS AND CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Any such notices or changes shall be posted on the bulletin board in the clubhouse, and signaled by the hoisting of the "L" flag on the clubhouse flag pole, no later than one hour prior to the scheduled start of the race.

#### 6 START

- 6.1 Starting signals will be made in accordance with Racing Rules of Sailing Rule 26.
- 6.2 Signals for the starting period will be displayed on the Clubhouse starting platform, or the adjacent flag pole.
- 6.3 Yachts must start within four minutes of their class start signal in order to be considered racing.

#### 7 STARTING LINE

- 7.1 The starting line shall be between the pole near the start platform and the start buoy. In the event no start buoy is present, the pole on the south bank of the San Joaquin River shall be used instead.
- 7.2 The area approximately 100 yards either side of the start line and North of the start buoy shall be considered a restricted area unless you are starting. Yachts sailing into this area prior to their warning signal are subject to protest.

## **8 RECALLS**

- 8.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with rule 29.1. The Race Committee MAY also hail the offending yacht by name, sail number, or skipper.
- 8.2 General recalls will be signaled in accordance with rule 29.2.

## **9 FINISH**

- 9.1 The finish line shall be the same as the start line.
- 9.2 In the event the finish line will be significantly obscured by large traffic, competitors are to finish on the clubhouse side of such traffic.

## **10 PENALTIES**

- 10.1 The One-Turn & Two-Turn penalty, rule 44.2 of the racing rules, is modified as follows: Immediately following a yacht's start, penalty turns incurred shall not be executed until reaching light "39" to the North-West of the start line.

## **11 PROTESTS**

- 11.1 Protests shall be filed on forms provided by the platform committee, at the clubhouse, within two hours of the protester's finish time.
- 11.2 Protests will be heard on the Tuesday immediately following the race, at 7:00 p.m., at the Stockton Sailing Club, or at such other time as may be mutually agreeable to the parties involved in the hearing, including the Protest Committee. In any event, such hearing must be held within ten days of the race.
- 11.3 Mediation may be attempted to avoid the necessity of a protest hearing.

## **12 SCORING**

- 12.1 The low point scoring system, appendix A4 of the racing rules, will apply as modified here.
- 12.2 A DSQ will not be counted as a thrown out.

## **13 TROPHIES:**

Awards will be presented for each race or series on the following basis:

- One to three yachts registered: first place only
- Four to six yachts registered: first and second place
- More than six yachts registered: first through third place.

## **14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate 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 regatta.

NOTE: The Spring Series has additional sailing instructions that supplement the current Standing Race Instructions. The Delta Ditch Run and the South Tower Race will have their own sailing instructions