



Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club

2010 Harbor 20 - Tune Up

Sailing Instructions

September 25, 2010

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club (BCYC) is the Organizing Authority.

2. RULES

- 2.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in 2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing (*RRS*), the Harbor 20 Class Association, and the Notice of Race, except as altered by these Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2 The Regatta is classified as a Category "A" Event in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.
- 2.3 Boats are subject to inspection by the appropriate fleet coordinator to ensure conformity to the applicable class rules, bylaws and/or measurement certificates.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located near the BCYC front office.

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at BCYC before 0900 hours on the day of the race.
- 4.2 Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before the race

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at BCYC.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, racing is postponed.
- 5.3 First Warning will be no less than 1 Hour after AP is removed.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 The scheduled warning for the first race is 1255 hours.
- 6.2 Warning and starting signals for subsequent races will be given as soon as possible after the first race.

7. CLASSES and CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1 A boat shall sail all races in the class to which she is assigned.
- 7.2 For the purpose of starting, Class Flags will be as follows:

Class A	Code Flag A		Class B	Code Flag B
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8. RACING AREA

The Racing Area will be in Newport Harbor in the area commonly known as "Five Points"

9. COURSES

- 9.1 Courses will be windward/leeward
- 9.2 Courses will be signaled by the Race Committee on a white board with contrasting lettering

10. STARTING

- 10.1 The Starting Line will be between an orange flag on or near the Race Committee boat and an orange flag on a staff.
- 10.2 Races will be started by using the Sound Signal Starting System (attached)
- 10.3 Starting order will be class A and then class B
- 10.4 A boat whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 10.5 Prior to the first warning signal each boat shall sail by the Race Committee boat and hail her sail number.

11. RECALLS

- 11.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with *RRS* 29.1. The Race Committee will hail On Course Side (OCS) sail numbers. However, neither the timing of this hail, equipment failure or the failure of a yacht to hear the hail shall be cause for redress from the Protest Committee.
- 11.2 General recalls will be signaled in accordance with *RRS* 29.2.

12. FINISHING

The Finish Line will be between an orange flag on the Race Committee boat and an orange flag on a staff.

13. TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the first boat in each class to finish will be one (1) hour. Boats failing to finish within ten (10) minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored "DNF".

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.2 is changed to a One Turn Penalty.

15. PROTESTS

- 15.1 *RRS* 61.1 is changed by adding this sentence: "When a boat intends to protest she shall notify the Race Committee at the finishing line and inform the Race Committee of the identity of the other boat involved in the incident."
- 15.2 Protests shall be written on forms available at the front desk of BCYC and shall be delivered to the front desk no later than thirty (30) minutes after the Race Committee Boat has returned to the dock. That time will be posted.
- 15.3 Protests will be heard as soon as possible, in the order determined by the Protest Committee.
- 15.4 Only the skipper may represent his or her boat in a hearing. No coach or other party may represent a boat or file a protest on her behalf. This changes *RRS* 63.
- 15.5 It is the sole responsibility of each boat involved to be ready and have witnesses available when the hearing is called.
- 15.6 Protest hearings will be conducted as "Time-Limited Protest Hearings" with the following format: Each *party* will be allowed three (3) minutes to present its own version of the incident. Each *party* will then be allowed two (2) minutes to question other *parties*. Providing no *party* has suffered serious damage, following testimony and questions, any *party* may accept a 40% scoring penalty, calculated in accordance with *RRS* 44.3(c). If a *party* accepts a scoring penalty, then the relevant protest shall be dismissed and the *party* may not be penalized further in that hearing (except for an infringement of *RRS* 2). If the protest is not resolved, then the *parties* may call witnesses. Witnesses shall have two (2) minutes to present relevant and non-redundant testimony. Each *party* then will be allowed two (2) minutes to question each witness. Each *party* will then be allowed one (1) minute to summarize its position. The Protest Committee will then reach its decision.
- 15.7 *RRS* 66 is changed by adding this sentence: "On the last day of racing, a *party* to the hearing may ask for a reopening no later than one (1) hour after being informed of the decision."

16. SCORING

- 16.1 Scoring will be according to *RRS* A4.1 Low Point System
- 16.2 Five races are scheduled, of which two (2) may be completed to constitute a Series
- 16.3 There will be **no** throw-out race

17. RETIREMENTS

A yacht that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

18. OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked using Race Committee Flags.

19. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 19.1 A competitor shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio transmissions not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 19.2 Race Committee will monitor VHF Channel 16 for emergencies

20. PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded as soon as possible after the last race

21. 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 regatta.

22. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$500,000.00 per event or equivalent

SOUND SIGNAL STARTING SYSTEM

SIGNAL	SOUND/DESCRIPTION	MEANING
Warning	3 horns	3 minutes until start
Preparatory	2 horns	2 minutes until start
	1 horn, 3 short horns	1 minute, 30 seconds until start
	1 horn	1 minute until start
	3 short horns	30 seconds until start
	2 short horns	20 seconds until start
	1 short horn	10 seconds until start
	5 short horns	5, 4, 3, 2, 1
	1 horn	START