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FALL SPORT BOAT REGATTA

September 24-25, 2011

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. **RULES.** This regatta will be governed by the: USCG “*Navigation Rules, International-Inland*” 050-012-001922-8; *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) 2009-2012, including the prescriptions of US Sailing, the rules of the classes, except as any of these are changed by these sailing instructions, and by these sailing instructions.
2. **ENTRIES**
 - 2.1 Boats in one-design classes of 35 feet or less in water line length are eligible to compete.
 - 2.2 Competitors who are members of recognized yacht clubs and sailing associations shall enter by going to <http://race.coronadoyc.org>, and signing up for the regatta. The undiscounted fee is \$55, with \$5 off for current US Sailing members. Registration is completed by checking in with the Race Committee on the water Saturday morning.
 - 2.3 A minimum of three boats is required to establish a class.
 - 2.4 Please check-in on starboard tack, sailing past the stern of the R/C boat.
3. **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**
 - 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the clubhouse porch.
 - 3.2 There will be a **SKIPPERS’ MEETING** of all competitors on the clubhouse porch at 1000, Saturday, September 24, 2011. Questions clarifying the SI’s will be answered, assignment of classes made, and preferred courses will be determined.
4. **CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1000 on the day that it will take effect, and will be available from the RC boat.
5. **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**
 - 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the clubhouse flag hoist.
6. **SCHEDULE OF RACES.** Seven races are scheduled, the last one of which will be a race back to CYC, and that race will not count toward awards. There will be one throw out.

Race	Day	
1	Saturday	First Start 1200
2	Saturday	After race 1.
3	Saturday	After race 2.
4	Saturday	After race 3.
5	Sunday	First Start 1200
6	Sunday	After race 5.
7	Sunday	After race 6.

7. RACING AREA

The racing area is south San Diego Bay, usually windward of government buoy 28 or 30.

8. THE COURSE

8.1 Courses are attached to these instructions.

8.2 The approximate compass bearing to mark "A" using two number pennants will be displayed near the bow of the committee boat, e.g., "25" means 250° to weather mark.

8.3 Course number for the starting class or classes, will be displayed from a white board near the stern of the Committee Boat when the WARNING signal for each start is made.

8.4 Courses will normally require finishing upwind after passing thru the gate, unless shortened.

8.5 Distance gate to weather mark will be .75 nautical miles.

9. MARKS

9.1 The windward course marshal has 2 marks, orange and yellow. Mark A, will **initially** be installed as an **orange** tetrahedron with an offset. Subsequently, a change in wind direction, requiring a change in buoy position, will be made by installing a new **yellow** mark with notification of change and direction of change made at the gate. If additional changes are required during that race, the changed tetrahedron color will be orange. And so on.

9.2 The gate will consist of 2, three foot diameter red fenders, about 150' apart and perpendicular to the course to weather mark.

10. THE START.

10.1 Races will be started in accordance with racing rule 26. Fleet preferences for 3 or 5 minute starts will be determined at the Skippers' Meeting. For instance, we expect Tiger 10's to want a 5 minute start, while 505's may prefer 3 minute starts.

10.2 Class Flag Assignment. Determination of class will be made at skippers' meeting, based upon performance – fastest boats start earlier.

Class	Flag
1	numeral 1
2	numeral 2
3	numeral 3
4	numeral 4
5	numeral 5
6	numeral 6
7	numeral 7
ETC	

In the likely event that some boats will not have flags, they need not fly them, however this will require them to make notes at the skippers' meeting regarding order of start.

- 10.3 **L** (general hail), **AP** (in the event of a postponement), or the **First Substitute** (if there is a general recall) will typically be lowered accompanied by **multiple horn blasts one** minute before a **WARNING** flag. This modifies RRS.
- 10.4 The class starting sequence and class flag assignments will be identified at the skippers' meeting. On the water, the hoist of several class flags simultaneously, indicates the combining of several classes during the same start.
- 10.5 Black numerals on a white board hanging from the R/C boat boom will indicate the assigned course, posted at the **Warning** signal.
- 10.6 The port end of the starting line is an orange tetrahedron. The starboard end is marked by an orange flag on the committee boat.
- 10.7 Contact with the RC boat may be grounds for disqualification by the RC without a hearing. An inflatable buoy or pin boat may be streaming from the stern of the RC boat in which case it shall be considered part of the RC boat.

11. RECALLS

- 11.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with racing rule 29.1. The sound signal will be a horn. The Race Committee will attempt to hail premature starters. When using the 3 minute start sequence, the X flag will remain up a maximum of only 2 minutes. This changes RRS 29.
- 11.2 When a general recall has been signaled (sound signal will be two horn blasts), the clock will continue to run and the class recalled will restart after all other classes start in their normal order. **Listen and watch for your class flag.** Assuming only one general recall per start sequence, the recalled class would then start last, although there is nothing to prevent other classes from being general recalled as well. **The restarted class may be assigned a course other than initially signaled** – recheck the course at your **Warning**.

12. MARK BOATS

Mark boats are identified with an RC flag. A mark boat may be stationed near the pin end of the start/finish line and is authorized to identify and hail premature starters, and record finishers. Mark boats are to be considered “obstructions”, even if not anchored. Keep clear.

13. CHANGES OF COURSE AFTER THE START

- 13.1 When changing the course after a start, the race committee will lay a new mark and lift the original mark as soon as practicable, but always before any boat has begun the affected leg(s).
- 13.2 A change of course will be signaled near the mark beginning the leg being changed by a race committee boat displaying Code flag C and displaying a red or green flag. Red flag indicates course has been changed to the left. The next mark may not yet be in position.

14. SHORTENING COURSE

- 14.1 Courses may be shortened at any mark in accordance with RRS Rule 32, by raising Code flag S.
- 14.2 A committee/mark boat displaying Code flag S may set a finish line between itself, using Code flag S to mark the starboard end, and the rounding mark at the port end.
- 14.3 If a shortened course applies only to specific classes, their class flag numeral will be displayed in addition to code flag S.

15. THE FINISH

- 15.1 When finishing upwind, the starboard end of the finish line is an orange flag on the race committee boat. The port end of the finish line is an orange tetrahedron.
- 15.2 Courses will normally have boats finishing upwind after passing thru the gate.
- 15.3 The pin will be moved in toward the RC boat after starts are finished, making the finish line much shorter.

16. TIME LIMIT

- 16.1 The time limit for the first boat of each class will be 1 hour after the start for the class.
- 16.2 Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat of their class finishes will be scored DNF.

17. PENALTIES

- 17.1 The two-turns penalty is modified by replacing it with a single turn penalty, to include one tack and one gybe. This modifies RRS 44.

18. PROTESTS

- 18.1 No boat shall be exempt because of boat length from having to signal a protest with a red flag. This amends RRS 61.1(a)
- 18.2 Boats shall inform the finish line race committee boat of their protest.
- 18.3 Protests shall be written on US Sailing forms available at the Coronado Yacht Club office and lodged there with office personnel, within one hour of the docking of the Race Committee Boat.
- 18.4 Protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes after the protest time limit has expired to inform competitors of when and where there will be hearings that involve them as parties to protests or as witnesses.
- 18.5 Either of two protest resolution procedures may be followed, at the election of the parties.

- 18.5.1 The first procedure is non-appealable arbitration, agreed to by the several parties, consisting of one judge, the protestee(s) and the protestor(s), and at the discretion of the judge, witnesses. After a valid protest is lodged there will be pre-hearing arbitration involving the principles as above. When the facts of the incident can be determined and agreed to by the skippers involved, the Arbitration Judge shall determine the rule(s) infringed as applicable. The Arbitration Judge may then determine an appropriate penalty (up to 3 places or disqualification) for the infringing boat, or appropriate redress for the infringing boat, or forward the protest to the Protest Committee for a regular hearing per RRS63 if not acceptable to skippers involved. Pre-Hearing Arbitration rulings once accepted cannot be appealed, and Arbitration penalty assessments are final and not subject to protest redress per RRS70.
- 18.5.2 The second procedure is a Protest Committee hearing within the meaning of RRS Part 5, Section B, and in general will be heard as soon as possible. Penalties may include but are not limited to "Place Penalty Assessments" (3 places minimum) as appropriate for the infraction.
- 18.6 Protest Committee decisions affecting regatta trophy awards are final.

19. SCORING

- 19.1 The Low Point scoring system, rule A4, will apply, modified so that each boat's score will be the total of all her race scores.
- 19.2 Six races are scheduled, with one throw out, of which 1 race must be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 19.3 A boat that self disqualifies (retires) shall be scored one less than disqualification by verdict.

20. RETIREMENT

A boat that retires from a race is requested to notify the race committee before leaving the racing area or, if that is not possible, immediately after arriving ashore.

21. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as follows:

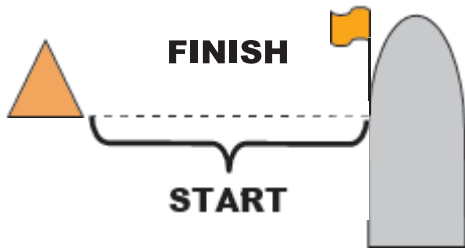
Number of boats in class	Number of prizes
3-4	1
5-7	2
8-12	3
13-19	4

22. COURSES

Course 1	Start	A to Port	Gate	Finish				
Course 2	Start	A to Port	Gate	A to Port	Gate	Finish		
Course 3	Start	A to Port	Gate	A to Port	Gate	A to Port	Gate	Finish



BOUY A



GATE

SAN DIEGO BAY CHANNEL