2012 Moore 24 Pacific Coast Championships

May 4 – May 6, 2012 Santa Cruz Yacht Club Santa Cruz, CA Sailing Instructions

1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

The first sentence of RRS 40 is changed so that: Competitors shall comply with the obligations of RRS 40 (wear a PFD) whether or not the Race Committee displays flag Y with one sound.

2. Signal Ashore and Notices to Competitors

Signals ashore will be made from the yardarm of the mast on the SCYC clubhouse deck, if it is in place. Otherwise, signals will be made from "ONWARD", a Grand Banks 32 in her slip at D-Dock near the SCYC Hoist.

Notices to competitors will be posted on the SCYC Official Notice Board, located in the window opposite the bar at the northeast corner of the SCYC clubhouse.

Changes to the Sailing Instructions, if any, will be posted not later than 1130 on the day they take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800, on the day before it takes effect.

3. Schedule of Races

Friday	May 4, 2012	3 Races	First Warning 1255
Saturday	May 5, 2012	3 Races	First Warning 1155
Sunday	May 6, 2012	2 Races	First Warning 1155

The warning signal for subsequent races will be made shortly after the conclusion of the preceding race. No warning signal will be made after 1530 on Sunday.

4. Class Flag

The class flag for the Moore 24 class will be a white flag with the Moore 24 insignia.

5. Marks

Mark S is a yellow inflatable tomato.

Marks A and Mark C are inflatable yellow tetrahedrons.

Mark O is an orange ball.

Marks Bs and Bp are inflatable orange tetrahedrons that comprise a gate.

Mark NB is an unmarked yellow ball at 36°56.58' N 122°03.67' W

Mark L is an inflatable orange tetrahedron located about 1.5 mi east of Mark NB

6. Courses, Starting and Finishing lines, Gate.

The course diagrams at the end of these instructions illustrate the courses.

A numeral pennant will be displayed to designate the course selected for each race.

The starting line will be between a staff on the Race Committee boat displaying an orange flag and the course side of Mark S.

The finishing line will be between a staff on the Race Committee boat displaying an orange flag and the course side of Mark S.

If one mark of a gate is missing, a boat shall round the remaining mark to port. This changes RRS 28.

7. Hailing OCS Boats

The Race Committee may hail (on VHF Chan. 69) the sail number of any boat that was on the course side of the starting line at her start signal.

The failure of a hail, the failure of a boat to hear a hail, or the order of the hail(s) shall not be grounds for a boat to request redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

8. Penalties

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the two turn penalty is replaced by a one turn penalty, including one tack and one gybe.

9. Time Limit

Boats having not finished course 1, 2, or 3 within 20 minutes of the first boat to comply with RRS 28 will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired). This changes RRS 35, and A11.

10. Boat Retiring; Check Out

A boat retiring on the water before completing a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as reasonably possible by sailing past a Race Committee boat and hailing, or by hailing the Race Committee on VHF (Chan. 69). A boat that breaks this instruction may be penalized less than points for a DSQ by the Protest Committee. This changes RRS 64.1.

11. Scoring

A minimum of three races will constitute a series. When fewer than five races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When five or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

A boat scored as TLE will be scored for the finishing place one more than the number that complied with RRS 28 within the Time Limit. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

When at least one boat is scored TLE in a race, boats scored DNS, DNF, OCS, or RAF in that race will be scored points equal to TLE. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12. Protest

Protest filing period expires one hour after the Race Committee Signal Boat's returns to the dock. The Protest Filing time limit will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

US SAILING protest forms are available at the clubhouse and may be filed with the on-duty club employee as well as the race office. This changes RRS 61.3.

Hearing schedules and informing the parties to a hearing will be posted on the Official Notice Board within 90 minutes of the Race Committee Signal Boat's return to the dock.

Course 1: Mark A Start Round Mark A to port Finish Course 2: Start Round Mark A to port Mark O to port Gate B Mark C Round Mark A to port Mark O to port Finish **Course 3:** Mark Bs Mark Bp Start Round Mark A to port Round Mark C to port Round Mark Bp to port RC Round Mark A to port Mark S Finish Course 4: (Ocean Course) Start Round NB to port Round L to port Round NB to port

Finish