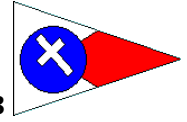


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Santa Cruz Yacht Club



November 17, December 15, 2012 & January 19, February 16, March 16, 2013

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1. This series will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The first sentence of RRS rule 40 is changed so that competitors shall comply with the obligations of RRS rule 40 (wear a PFD) whether or not the Race Committee displays flag Y with one sound.

2. NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

- 2.1. 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, and may be posted on-line as a courtesy.
- 2.2. Email may be used to inform competitors of harbor conditions that affect racing.
- 2.3. On the water, the Race Committee may use VHF channel 68 for communication.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted no later than 1030 hours on the day they take effect, except changes to the schedule of races which will be posted before 1800 hours the day before they are to take effect.
- 3.2. The Race Committee will display Signal flag "L" ashore to signify changes have been posted.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the yardarm of the mast on the SCYC deck.

5. SCHEDULES OF RACES

- 5.1. Racing is scheduled: Nov. 17 and Dec. 15 of 2012; and for Jan. 19, Feb. 16 and Mar. 16, of 2013.
- 5.2. Three races are scheduled each race day.
- 5.3. The first warning signal each day is at 1155 hours.
- 5.4. Subsequent races will be started as soon as practicable after the completion of the prior race.

6. CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1. The class flags for each division will be:

CLASS	SIGNAL FLAG
Division A (PHRF <90)	F
Division B (PHRF >89)	E
Double Handed Division	D
Jib & Main Division 1 (PHRF<182)	K
Jib & Main Division 2 (PHRF>181)	J
Multihull Division	U

7. RACE AREAS

- 7.1. The racing area will be within a three (3) mile radius from the Santa Cruz Harbor.
- 7.2. The Start will be located approximately three quarters of a mile SE of the Santa Cruz Harbor.

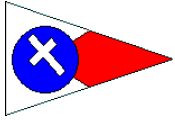
8. THE COURSES

- 8.1. A numeral pennant will be displayed to designate the course selected for each race. (See Course Diagram attached)

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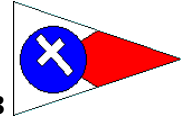
Division A, Division B, Double-handed Division, Multihull Division:

- 1 Start, W(p), L(p), Finish
- 2 Start, W(p), L(p), S-SB(gate), W(p), L(p), Finish
- 3 Start, W(p), L(p), S-SB(gate), W(p), L(p), S-SB(gate), W(p), L(p), Finish
- 4 Start, W(p), R1(p), L(p), Finish
- 5 Start, W(p), R1(p), R2(s), L(p), Finish
- 6 Start, W(p), R1(p), R2(s), L(p), S-SB(gate), Y(p), L(p), Finish



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Jib and Main Divisions

- 1 Start, Y(p), L(p), Finish
- 2 Start, Y(p), L(p), S-SB(gate), Y(p), L(p), Finish
- 3 Start, Y(p), L(p), S-SB(gate), Y(p), L(p), S-SB(gate), Y(p), L(p), Finish
- 4 Start, Y(p), R1(p), L(p), Finish
- 5 Start, Y(p), R1(p), R2(s), L(p), Finish
- 6 Start, Y(p), R1(p), R2(s), L(p), S-SB(gate), Y(p), L(p), Finish

9. MARKS

- 9.1. Marks W, Y R1 and L are rounding marks to be left to port.
- 9.2. Mark R2 is a rounding mark to be left to starboard
- 9.3. Marks S and SB are a gate.
- 9.4. Mark W is an Orange inflatable Tetrahedron.
- 9.5. Marks Y, L, R1 and R2 are Yellow inflatable Tetrahedrons.
- 9.6. Mark S is a Red ball.
- 9.7. Mark SB is the RC Signal Boat.
- 9.8. When not on station, a red ball will replace Mark SB. This changes RRS rule 34.

10. CHECK-IN AND BOATS RETIRING

- 10.1. Prior to the first warning signal of each day, a boat shall sail near the Race Committee Signal Boat and hail her sail number.
- 10.2. A boat retiring on-the-water shall notify the race committee as soon as reasonably possible.
- 10.3. Breaches of this instruction may be penalized less than disqualification at the discretion of the Protest Committee.

11. THE START

- 11.1. The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and Mark S.
- 11.2. A boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS rule A4 and A5.
- 11.3. When the Race Committee displays flag X (OCS), the sail number of the identified boat(s) will be hailed by VHF and/or loud-hailer. 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 receive redress; this changes RRS rule 62.1.

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1. Except at a gate, boats shall pass between a Race Committee boat signaling a change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the Race Committee boat to starboard. This changes RRS rule 28.1.

13. THE FINISH

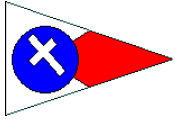
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14. TIME LIMITS

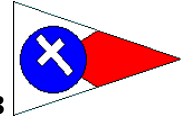
- 14.1. The time limit for each race is sixty (60) minutes for the first boat to comply with RRS rule 28.
- 14.2. In a race, a boat finishing more than thirty (30) minutes after the first boat complies with RRS rule 28 will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS rule 35, A4 and A5.

15. SCORING

- 15.1. Three (3) races shall constitute a series.
- 15.2. Boats not entered in the series will be scored for races held on the day entered and not included in the series scoring.
- 15.3. When fewer than five (5) races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 15.4. When five (5) races are completed and fewer than ten (10) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When ten (10) races have been completed and fewer than fifteen (15) races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two (2) worst scores. When fifteen (15) races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three (3) worst scores.
- 15.5. The scoring code for a discretionary penalty issued in SI 10 is DPI (before Jan. 2013).



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16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1. Protest forms are available at the SCYC regatta shed and at the SCYC Clubhouse office.
- 16.2. The protest filing time limit is 60 minutes after the Race Committee Signal Boat docks. This time limit will be posted on the SCYC Official Notice board.
- 16.3. Notice of hearing times and location will be posted no more than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

COURSE DIAGRAM

