Champagne Series 2013

Saturday January 19 and 26, 2013



South Bay Yacht Racing Club Marina del Rey, California

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

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

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

2.1. Pre-race notice to competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board, located at the SBYRC drop box, at The California Sailing Academy (CSA), 14025 Panay Way, Marina del Rey (2nd floor, East end). Notices available before race day may also be posted online at www.sbyrc.org. **2.2.** Post Race notice to competitors will be posted on the front door of the yacht club hosting the party that day. See "Attachment C – Hospitality & Party Instructions".

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day they will take effect, except that any changes to the schedule of race will be posted by 2000 on the day before they will take effect.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

4.1. Dates of Racing:

January 19th 2013

PHRF Fleet & OD Fleet 3 races 1st Warning Signal 1155

January 26th 2013

Random Leg Fleet 1 race 1st Warning Signal 1135

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- **4.2.** For the **Random Leg fleet**, a recommended skippers meeting will begin at 0900 on January 26th at Pacific Mariner Yacht Club.
- **4.3.** Any abandoned race may be sailed on a subsequent race day.

5. CLASS FLAGS

The listing of order of starts, class flag and class splits for PHRF will be posted by 0900 on each race day.

6. RACING AREA

The racing area will be on Santa Monica Bay. The starting Area will be approximately 0.5NM SW of Venice Pier.

7. COURSES

- **7.1.** For the **One-Design** fleet and **PHRF** fleet, courses will be primarily windward/leeward. See "Attachment A Buoy Racing Courses".
- 7.2. For the Random Leg fleet, the course will be random legs. See "Attachment B Random Leg Course"

8. MARKS

- **8.1.** For the **One-Design** fleet and **PHRF** fleet, colored inflatable shapes will be used. Refer to "**Attachment A Buoy Racing Courses**".
- 8.2. For the Random Leg fleet, existing spars from "Course Chart 16" will be used. Refer to "Attachment
- **B Random Leg Courses**". Missing marks will be replaced by a colored inflatable shape.
- **8.3.** The starting mark will be an orange inflatable shape.
- 8.4. The finishing mark will be a spar buoy with a checkered flag.

9. THE START

- **9.1.** The starting line will be between an orange flag on the Race Committee (RC) Boat at the starboard end and an orange inflatable shape at the port end.
- **9.2.** For the first race on each race day, a rolling 5 minutes sequence will be used. The Starting Signal for each class will be the Warning Signal for the next class.
- **9.3.** For races after the first race of each day, the RC will attempt to start boats as soon as practicable after the last boat in a class has finished a prior race. To indicate a Warning Signal is imminent, the RC will sound multiple sound signals approximately one minute before the Warning Signal.
- **9.4.** Boats who's Warning Signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- **9.5.** The RC will attempt to notify recalled boats by hailing their sail number over the designated VHF Channel (See **SI 17**). A boat's position in the sequence of hailed numbers shall not be ground for redress.

10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 10.1. For the One-Design fleet and PHRF fleet, see "Attachment A Buoy Racing Courses".
- 10.2. For the Random Leg fleet, see "Attachment B Random Leg Course".

11. THE FINISH

- **11.1.** The finishing line will be between a checkered flag on the RC boat at one end and a spar buoy with a checkered flag at the other end.
- 11.2. Boats that have finished shall not interfere with boats still racing.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 is changed so that if an incident occurs outside the "**zone**" for a rounding or finishing mark, the applicable penalty shall be a one turn penalty instead of a two turn penalty.

13. PROTESTS & REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- **13.1.**Protest forms will be available at the host club and shall be delivered there to an SBYRC officer within the protest time limit.
- 13.2. Protest filing time will close 60 minutes after the RC Boat docks.
- **13.3.** Notices will be posted within 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of a hearing in which they are parties. This will constitute notice to all parties under **RRS 63.2**. Hearings will normally be heard in the order of which protests and requests for redress are received.
- **13.4.** The RC will attempt to post a list of On-Course Side (OCS) boats or the preliminary results before the protest time limit.
- **13.5.** Breaches of instructions 9.4, 11.2 or 16 will not be ground for a protest by a boat. This changes **RRS 60.1(a)**. Penalties for these breaches may be less than disgualification if the Protest Committee so

decides.

- **13.6.** On the last day of the regatta, a request for re-opening a hearing shall be delivered:
- (a) Within the protest time limit if the party requesting the re-opening was informed of the decision on the previous race-day;
- (b) No later than 30 minutes after the protest decision was delivered, if the party requesting re-opening was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes RRS 66.

14. SCORING

14.1.RANDOM LEG CLASSES

The RC will assign ratings for **Random Leg Classes** using information from the **ASMBYC Cruiser Class Adjustment Form**, available at www.ASMBYC.org and completed by each entrant.

14.2. ONE DESIGN AND PHRF CLASSES

- **14.2.1.** Three races are required to constitute a series.
- 14.2.2. No race score will be excluded.
- 14.2.3. Scoring for Daily First Trophies will use the Low Point Scoring method.
- 14.2.4. The Series shall be scored as provided in RRS Appendix A modified as follows:
- a. For each race, a boat shall receive a score calculated as follows (rounded to three decimal places):

$$1 + \left(\left(\frac{class_competitors_placing_after_her + 0.5}{class_competitors} \right) \times 9 \right)$$

- b. "Class competitors" is the number of boats that actually attempt to start the race (including boats that are OCS or subject to a penalty under **RRS 30**).
- c. A boat that qualified as "class competitor" but was OCS, did not finish, retired after finishing or was disqualified shall receive one (1) point.
- d. A boat that did not enter or did not come to out to the starting area or came out to the starting area but did not attempt to start (i.e., did not qualify as a "class competitor") shall receive zero (0) points.
- e. If classes have differing numbers of completed races and thus differing numbers of race scores, then boats in classes with fewer races scores will receive sufficient additional race scores so that all classes have the same number of race scores. Each boat's additional race scores shall be the average of her scores for the races which were completed (which may be zero points if she did not enter that race or attempts to start).
- f. Each boat's race scores shall be totaled to make her series score.

15. PRIZES

- **15.1.** Trophies will be awarded each day after racing to the best boat in each class, for the day. These trophies will be awarded using the Low Point Scoring System.
- **15.2.** The series overall trophies will be awarded on January 26th, 2013, as described below.
- 4 entries: 1 trophy, 5-6 entries: 2 trophies, 7-10 entries: 3 trophies, 11+ entries: 4 trophies
- **15.3.** The Following Trophies will be awarded to individual boats:

☐ SBYRC CHAMPAGNE PERPETUAL TROPHY

To the **PHRF** boat with the highest point total. In the event of a tie, the winner of the largest fleet shall be declared the winner.

☐ The KLEVE PERPETUAL TROPHY

To the **One-design** boat with the highest point total. In the event of a tie, the winner of the largest One-design fleet shall be declared the winner.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race or does not intend to start a scheduled race shall promptly report to the RC via hailing or designated VHF Channel (See SI 17) and receive acknowledgement.

17. COMMUNICATION

17.1. The RC will be using Channel 72 for communications.

17.2. The RC may use the radio to make competitors aware of its intentions, the course to be sailed, starting times, courses changes, On Course Side (OCS), postponements, and other information regarding the racing.

18. HOSPITALITY

After race hospitality will be held at:

January 19th – **Marina Venice Yacht Club** 4333 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey, CA 90292 January 26th - **Pacific Mariners Yacht Club** 13915 Panay Way, Marina del Rey, CA 90292

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See **RRS 4**, **Decision to race**. The Organizing Authority will not accept liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after this regatta.

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Attachment A – Buoy Racing Courses

A1. MARKS

A1.1. Marks W1 and W2, will be either orange or yellow inflatable shapes

A1.2. The color of mark W1 or W2 will be indicated during the starting sequence by an orange or yellow flag hoisted with the course designation

A1.3. Mark L will be a yellow inflatable shape(s).

A1.4. The starting (S) mark will be an orange inflatable shape.

A1.5. The finishing mark will be a spar buoy with a white and green checkered flag.

A2. COURSES

A2.1. Marks W1, W2 and L shall be rounded to port.

A2.2. Mark L may be replaced by a gate. When there is a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark.

A2.3. The Course Designation will be displayed using numeral pennant as shown below.

A2.4. No later than the Preparatory Signal for each class, the RC Boat will display the course and the color of the mark. The approximate compass bearing and distance to the first mark will be on a white board. This changes **RRS 27.1**

A2.5. The course length will vary based on wind strength.

A2.6. The starting/finishing line will be approximately 0.1NM to leeward of the L.

A3. COURSE CHANGE

A3.1. The new course will use a yellow weather mark if the race was started with orange and an orange weather mark if the race was started with a yellow.

A3.2. The new magnetic bearing will be displayed on a white board on the Mark Set Boat.

A3.3. Any signal of change of course without a class flag shall apply to all classes.

