



Sailing Instructions

Santa Cruz Yacht Club

Santa Cruz, CA



2015 El Toro North American Championship

July 21-24, 2015

1 RULES

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

Competitors are required to wear a PFD meeting USCG requirements with an attached whistle while on the water. This changes parts of RRS 40 and the preamble to Part 4.

Measurement Certificates are required for the Senior and Junior Fleets.

Measurement Certificates are optional but encouraged for the Classic Division. This changes ETIYRA Class Rule V.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the Regatta Shed.

Changes to the SI's will be posted at least one hour before the warning signal for the day they apply.

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed on "Onward" at D dock. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than one hour after flag AP is lowered; this changes RRS Race Signals. When Flag O is displayed on "Onward" boats shall not sail south of Aldo's Restaurant.

Flag O will be lowered with one sound.



4 SCHEDULE

A skippers meeting is scheduled prior to the practice race at the SCYC Regatta Shed on Tuesday, July 21, 2015, at 1000.

A skippers meeting is scheduled at the SCYC Regatta Shed on Wednesday, July 22, 2015, at 1000.

Day	# Races	Check In	1 st Warning	Notes
Tuesday	Practice	0830-1000	1200	Check in upstairs
Wednesday	3	0830-1000	1200	Check in at the shed
Thursday	3	0930-1100	1200	Check in at the shed
Friday	2	0930-1100	1200	Check in at the shed No warning after 1530

5 CLASS FLAGS; STARTING SYSTEM

A class flag will be displayed approximately one minute before the warning signal to signal the starting class.

The Sound Signal Starting System in Appendix S of the racing rules will be used.

Each boat will be given a colored ribbon to be tied to the end of the boom signifying their class.

Class Flag Assignment:

Class	Class Flag
Senior	Yellow
Classic	Red
Junior	Green

6 RACING AREA

The racing area is in the vicinity of the Santa Cruz Municipal Wharf, west of the harbor and south of the Santa Cruz Main Beach

7 COURSES and MARKS

Mark S is a Red Ball. Mark F is a Yellow Tetrahedron. Mark 1 is a Yellow Tetrahedron. Mark 2 is an Orange Tetrahedron. Gate 1 & 2 are Green Tetrahedrons. Marks 1 and 2 are rounding marks. If one buoy of the gate is missing, round the remaining mark to port; this changes RRS 28. The diagram at the end of these SI's shows the courses, the marks in order and the rounding direction of each mark.

8 STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

The Start line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag and nearby Mark S. The Finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag and nearby Mark F

9 PENALTIES

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

10 TIME LIMITS

The time limit for each race will be one hour for the first boat to finish. Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing and given a score of number of finishers + 2. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

11 CHECK OUT

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

12 PROTESTS

The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the race committee signal boat docks. The protest time limit and a list of protests received will be posted on the notice board. Hearings will take place as soon as possible after racing each day at the Regatta Shed. At the discretion of the Protest Committee chair, hearings will be open to any competitor to attend as an observer.

13 SCORING

Two races constitute a series. Practice races held on Tuesday are excluded. When five or fewer races are completed no score will be excluded.

14 COURSE DIAGRAM

Course 1 - Start – Mark 1 (port) – Finish

Course 2 - Start – Mark 1 (port) – Gate -Mark 1 (port) – Finish

Course 3 - Start – Mark 2 (port) – Finish

Course 4 - Start – Mark 2 (port) – Gate - Mark 2 (port) - Finish

Mark 1



Mark 2



Gate 1



Gate 2



Mark S



**RC
Boat**



Mark F

