



Sailing Instructions
2016 BAYS Regatta #5
The Half Moon Bay Yacht Club, August 20-21, 2016



1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), as modified by the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions for this regatta.
- 1.2 All participants in this regatta must wear a US Coast Guard approved Type III (or better) personal flotation device (PFD) at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while adding or removing other clothing. Violation of this rule will result in a penalty by the Race Committee (RC) up to disqualification from the entire regatta.
- 1.3 In the event of a protest, boats are exempted from displaying a red flag (this modifies Opti class rules).

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices will be posted on the front window of the large club event room, facing the dock.

3 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any changes to these sailing instructions will be posted in the front window as above. Changes may be announced and posted immediately after the Competitors' Meeting at 10 AM August 20th.
- 3.2 Instructions to all fleets may be made orally on the water by the Race Committee boats.

4 RACE COMMITTEE COMMUNICATION

- 4.1 RC will communicate with competitors verbally through hailers on water. Competitors are responsible for staying within hailing distance between races.
- 4.2 RC will echo certain changes and instructions on radio as a service to coaches & interested onlookers. All radio communication will use VHF channel 69.

5 CLASSES

There will be two independent courses. Each class will be assigned to one course, as follows:

- 5.1 Alpha course will run classes in this order:
 - Laser (Radial and Standard will start as one class, but be scored separately)
 - C420
 - CFJ
- 5.2 Bravo course will run classes in this order:
 - Opti Champ
 - Opti Green
 - RS Tera
- 5.3 Each class may be given a different course number (laps) for each race [either course 1 or 2].

6 RACING AREA

- 6.1 Specific course locations and orientations will depend on prevailing winds and will be subject to the decisions of the RC for each course. See map below for approximate intended locations for the forecasted north-westerly winds. Note that courses may be modified between races.

7 RACE INFORMATION

- 7.1 For all classes, 8 races are scheduled during the two day regatta, conditions permitting.
- 7.2 A minimum of one race shall constitute a series for each fleet.
- 7.3 Starts will be run in accordance with RRS Appendix S using the 3 minute sound signal start sequence per the prescription of RRS section S3.

8 SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 20, 2016		Sunday, August 21, 2016	
8:00am	Dockyard and registration open; rigging; breakfast for sailors	8:00am	Dockyard open; rigging; breakfast for sailors
9:00am	Lunch pickup for sailors	9:00am	Lunch pickup for sailors
10:00am	Competitors' Meeting (Mandatory); Launch ONLY after meeting	9:30am	Launch
11:00am	First warning	10:30am	First warning
4:00pm	No Starts After	3:00pm	No Starts After
		4:30pm	Awards
9:00pm	Gates locked	8:00pm	Gates locked
	• high tide 1.03pm		• high tide 1:41pm

ALL TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE

9 COURSES

- 9.1 The descriptions in the attached diagrams show the courses, including the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2 Marks are described in the diagrams. Course changes may be announced at the Competitors' Meeting, or on the water before a race.
- 9.3 Boats that have finished shall stay well clear of all boats racing or starting. On the Alpha course, returning wide of the course to avoid the other racers, and a prompt return to the starting area, help ensure the minimum possible delay before the next start.

10 COACH, SUPPORT, AND SPECTATOR BOATS

- 10.1 All coach boats must also be prepared to act as safety boats. All coach and support boats must have adequate first aid and safety gear aboard, as well as a marine VHF radio, and must monitor VHF channel 69 at all times.
- 10.2 Coaching on the water is permitted only between races. After the warning signal for a given race, coaching will not be permitted until a competitor has finished that race. To avoid any interference with boats still racing, competitors shall be required to sail to an area at least 75 feet to starboard of the start/finish line to meet with coach/support boats between races.
- 10.3 Except in the case of emergencies, support and spectator boats must remain a distance of 75 feet from the racing area at all times, and must not cause significant wake in the racing area.

11 PROTESTS

- 11.1 Upon finishing each race, protesting boats shall immediately notify the race committee boat at the finishing line of their intention to protest and must provide the sail number of the protested boat.
- 11.2 All protests shall be filed at the protest room no later than thirty minutes after the Alpha finish boat docking time. The docking time (beginning of protest time) will be posted on the official notice board (see section 2.1 above).
- 11.3 Protests will be heard in the approximate order of receipt. The time and place of protest hearings will be posted within thirty minutes after the end of protest time. This is the notice required by RRS 63.2.

12 PRIZES

- 12.1 Prizes will be awarded to the skippers and crews of the top three finishers in the C420, Laser Radial, Laser Standard, CFJ, Opti Champ, Opti Green, and RS Tera fleets.
- 12.2 A fleet must have 5 boats registered by August 18th to be eligible for prizes.

13 TIME LIMIT

- 13.1 The time limit for each race will be 60 minutes for the first boat to sail the course and finish. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored DNF. DNF will be the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus 2. This changes RRS 35.

13 COURSES

- 13.1 **Alpha** (Laser, C420, CFJ)

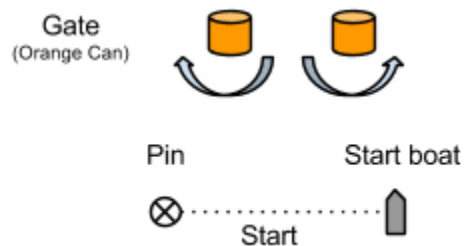
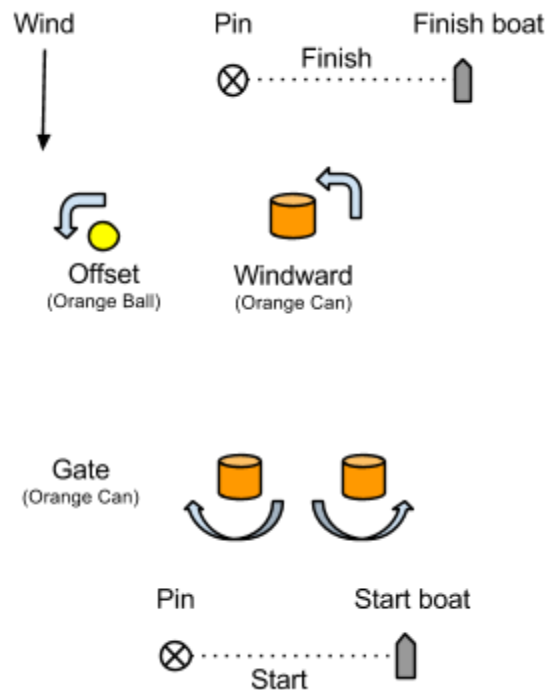
RC/Start boat flies the "RC" flag.
Windward mark and offset must both be left to port.

Course 1

Start - Windward - Gate - Windward - Finish

Course 2

Start - Windward - Gate - Windward - Gate - Windward - Finish



- 13.2 **Bravo** (Opti Champ, Opti Green, RS Tera)

RC boat flies a Pirate flag.
All marks must be left to port.
The Start and Finish Line are restricted once each competitor starts.

Course 1

Start - Windward - Leeward - Finish

Course 2

Start - Windward - Leeward - Windward - Leeward - Finish

