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Sailing Instructions Spring Pokai Regatta

Saturday, April 1, 2017

Organizing Authority: Hawaii Yacht Club (HYC)

1. RULES

- 1.1. The race will be conducted according to *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020* [RRS], including the 2010 updates, US Sailing Prescriptions, Hawaii Yacht Racing Association [HYRA] Prescriptions and HYC Standing Rules for Offshore Races unless otherwise amended in the Notice of Race or these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. RRS 51 and 52 are modified to allow the use of integrally designed Canting Ballast Twin Foil [CBTF] and water ballast technology.
- 1.3. RRS 52 is modified to allow the use of winches operated by using stored power.
- 1.4. RRS 55 is modified to add the following: "However, material used for banding sails may be discarded while setting sails".

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at Hawaii Yacht Club [HYC] or on the Main Race Committee Boat.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0830 on the day they will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore on Saturday will be displayed at the HYC flagpole.

5. SCHEDULE OF STARTS

- 5.1. Dates of Racing: All classes will race on Saturday, April 15, 2017
- 5.2. Number of Races one race will be sail for class
- 5.3. The scheduled time of the warning is 0855 hours for all classes

<u>X/A/B/C/Aloha</u>	
Warning	0855
Start	0900

6. CLASS FLAGS

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>FLAG</u>
X/A/B/C/Aloha	Pink with "X"

7. RACING AREA

The regatta will be held on the waters between Nanakuli and Diamond Head.

8. THE COURSES

- 8.1. Attachments A – D show the courses in a schematic fashion, but the written descriptions of the course, start, and finish will govern in the case of a discrepancy.
- 8.2. Boats shall pass all government aids to navigation for the channels listed below to seaward unless specifically listed otherwise as a mark of the course.
 - Kewalo Basin
 - Honolulu Harbor
 - Keehi Lagoon
 - Pearl Harbor
- 8.3. **Saturday Course 1: Start – round DH(p) - M1(p) – G1 (p) - Finish.** Course length is approximately 29 nm. Course 1 will be indicated with a “1” flag (white pennant with red circle).
- 8.4. **Saturday Course 2: Start – DH(p) – M2 (p) – G1 (p) – Finish.** Course length is approximately 19 nm. Course 2 will be indicated “2” flag (blue pennant with white circle).
- 8.5. **Saturday Course 3: Start – M1 (p) – G1 (p) – Finish.** Course length is approximately 24.5 nm. Course 3 will be indicated “3” (Red white blue) pennant.
- 8.6. **Saturday Course 4: Start-M2 -G1-Finish.** “4”(red white cross)

9. MARKS

- 9.1. “**DH**” is the red Diamond Head buoy.
- 9.2. “**R2**” is the red Ala Wai Harbor Channel entrance buoy.
- 9.3. “**G1**” is the green Harbor Channel entrance buoy.
- 9.4. The starting marks will be an orange inflatable buoy and the Main Race Committee Boat. R2 will be used as a starting mark in the absence of an orange inflatable buoy. Instruction 10.2 will describe the starting line.
- 9.5. “**M1**” is an inflatable orange tetrahedron. The approximate GPS. coordinates. if M1 will be N 21 17.024, W158 03.387; or within 300 yards of those GPS coordinates if M1 is missing or out of position, the race committee boat may substitute for the mark in accordance with RRS 34.
- 9.6. “**M2**” is an inflatable orange tetrahedron. The approximate GPS. Coordinates. Will be N21 16.063’ W158 00.765, or within 300 yards of those GPS coordinates if M2 is missing or out of position the race committee boat may substitute for mark in accordance with RRS 34.

10. THE START

- 10.1. The starting sequence will conform to RRS 26.
- 10.2. The starting line on **Saturday** will be approximately ~0.5 nm southeast of R2, with the line located between an orange inflatable buoy and the staff of an orange flag on the Main Race Committee
- 10.3. Boats starting later than 10 minutes after the last starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11. THE FINISH

- 11.1. The finish line on **Saturday** is the same as Friday night. The Finish line will be between the mast of the Hawaii Yacht Club and the tall coconut tree in approximate position 21 -17.21.219,N, 157 50.675,W (Turning Basin Start)

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

Yachts that take a penalty or retire under RRS 44.1 shall file a written acknowledgement with the race committee prior to the protest time limit.

13. TIME LIMITS

There is no time limit for finishing the races.

14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1. Protest forms are available downstairs at HYC at Sailing Main Race Notice Board. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the race committee within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.2. The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat in the race has finished.
- 14.3. Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of the time and location of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 14.4. Notices of protests by the race committee or the protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 14.5. A list of boats that, under instruction 13, have acknowledged taking a penalty or retiring, will be posted before the protest time limit.

15. ARBITRATION

Arbitration will be offered as described in the Standing Sailing Instructions.

16. SCORING

- 16.1 The low point system of Appendix A will apply as modified in the Standing Sailing Instructions.
- 16.2 Regatta will be scored on a combined corrected time.
- 16.3 In the event of a tie, RRS A7 will apply.
- 16.4 Regatta will be scored on a Downwind time
- 16.5 The PHRF handicap system will be in effect for all boats. Race handicaps will be calculated using the Time-on-Time method as adopted by HYRA.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 **VHF Channel 68** is reserved for essential communications, otherwise yachts shall monitor VHF Channel 16.
- 17.2 Upon withdrawing from the race, yachts shall inform the race committee via **VHF Channel 68**, by voice hail, or by calling the principal race officer Ron Uryga at 808-351-7482 or RC Sail Steven Eder 808-292-3617. Failure to do so may result in denied entry to future races.

18. PRIZES

For each class, 1st prize will be awarded if three or more boats enter, 2nd prize will be awarded if five or more boats enter, and 3rd prize will be awarded if seven or more boats enter.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the race.

20. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per event or the equivalent.