

# Friday Evening Laser Regatta August 18, 2017 Santa Cruz Yacht Club Santa Cruz, CA Sailing Instructions

# 1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The Class Rules of the respective classes will apply.
- 1.3. The first sentence of RRS 40 is changed so that competitors shall comply with the obligations of RRS 40 (wear a PDF) whether or not the race committee displays flay Y with one sound.

#### 2. Notices to Competitors

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the window at the northeast corner of the SCYC clubhouse and may be posted online at the Regatta Network event site.
- 2.2. On the water, the Race Committee may use VHF channel 68 for communication.

# 3. Signals Made Ashore

3.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the yardarm of the mast on the SCYC clubhouse deck. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than sixty minutes (60) after AP is lowered.

#### 4. Changes to the Sailing Instructions

4.1. Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted by 1700 hours on race day except that any changes to the schedule will be posted by 1730 the day before it will take effect.

#### 5. Schedule

5.1. The scheduled time of the warning signal each day is 1830. No races will be started after 2000 each day. As many races as possible will be scheduled. The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as possible after the preceding race.

#### 6. Racing Area

6.1. Racing will be around buoy-enclosed courses within half a mile of the Santa Cruz Small Craft Harbor.

#### 7. The Course

7.1. The courses will be windward leeward around inflatable buoys. Boats must go through the start-finish line on the upwind leg of the course.

#### 8. The Start

- 8.1. The starting line will be between an orange flag on a staff on the Race Committee signal boat and a nearby temporary orange mark.
- 8.2. Appendix U will be used. This replaces RRS 26. APPENDIX U is attached.

#### 9. The Finish

9.1. The finish line will be between an orange flag on a staff on the Race Committee signal boat and a nearby temporary orange mark.

# 10. Penalty System

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

# 11. Checkout

14.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

#### 12. Protests

- 10.2. Protest forms will be available at the SCYC regatta shed. Protests and requests for redress shall be lodged with the race committee within 60 minutes after the docking of the Race Committee signal boat.
- 10.3. The time and place of all protest hearing(s), the boat(s) protesting, the boat(s) being protested and boat(s) requesting redress will be posted on the official regatta notice board within 30 minutes after the protest filing time limit. This shall serve as notification as per RRS 63.2.

#### 13. Scoring

- 10.4. One race is required to be completed to constitute the regatta.
- 10.5. The low point system will be used as per RRS A4 except as modified below.
- 10.6. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores. For every (5) races completed, there will be one throw out.

# APPENDIX U AUDIBLE-SIGNAL RACING SYSTEM

# This appendix is a US Sailing prescription.

US Sailing prescribes that when the sailing instructions so state the Audible-Signal Racing System described below shall be used. It is recommended primarily for small-boat racing or when race committee resources are limited. Rules in this appendix replace rule 26 and permit changes to Race Signals and the corresponding rules in Part 3.

- **U1** Any Race Signal may be made by hailing, in which case the corresponding visual signal may also be used, but not its designated sound signal.
- U2 A series of short sounds may be made at any time to call attention to a hail or a visual signal.
- **U3** The starting sequence shall consist of the following sound signals made at the indicated times. These signals shall be timed from their commencement and shall govern, even if visual signals are also used.

Signal	Sound	Time before start
Attention	Series of short sounds	Before the warning
Warning	3 long	3 minutes
Preparatory	2 long	2 minutes
	1 long, 3 short	1 minute, 30 seconds
	1 long	1 minute
	3 short	30 seconds
	2 short	20 seconds
	1 short	10 seconds
	5 short, 1 second apart	5 - 4 - 3 - 2 - 1 seconds
Starting	1 long	0

- **U4** Individual recalls shall be signalled by hailing the sail number (or other distinguishing feature) of each recalled boat. Flag X need not be displayed.
- **U5** Failure to hear an adequate hail or sound signal shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1.