

MossSea Whale  
**Regatta**



August 25-26, 2018

**Moss Landing, CA**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**(rev.8/22/18)

**1 RULES**

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

**2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Elkhorn Yacht Club.

2.2 A Competitors' meeting will be held at 10:00am on the grass at the Elkhorn Yacht Club on both days.

**3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board not less than 30 minutes prior to the first scheduled race on the day it will take effect.

**5 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

5.1 There will be two days of racing (August 25-26).

5.2 The objective is to hold 4 races for each class per day.

5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 12 pm.

5.4 No warning signal will be made after 3:00pm on Sunday.

**6 CLASS FLAGS**

6.1 Class flags will be discussed at the competitor's meeting.

6.2 The initial starting order each day shall be Hobie 20, Hobie 16, Hobie 18 and other.

**7 THE COURSES**

7.1 Standard Hobie buoy races in the Monterey Bay.

7.2 The race committee will designate the course by displaying the course flags.

## **8 MARKS**

8.1 Marks will be discussed at the competitor's meeting.

## **9 THE START**

9.1 The Start Line will be between the committee boat and a buoy.

## **11. THE FINISH**

11.1 The Finish Line will be between the committee boat and a buoy.

## **12 PENALTY SYSTEM**

12.1 The Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **13 TIME LIMIT**

13.1 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in their class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. *This changes RRS 35, A4, and A5.*

13.2 Boats may be finished on the course at the discretion of the RC. The RC determines the method and order of finishing. This changes RRS 35 and A4.

## **15 SCORING**

15.1 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

15.2 When three (3) or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When four (4) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races excluding her worst score.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

16.1 A personal flotation device shall be worn, properly fastened, by competitors while launching and when sailing, except briefly while adjusting clothing or equipment.

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

16.3 Avoid fishing boats. They often have their line cast many feet away from their vessel.

16.4 Avoid power lines. Before raising the mast, and always while sailing, check for and avoid low overhead electrical power lines. If you see a power line, AVOID IT! A mast coming in contact or even near an electrical power line can cause serious injury and/or death to people on or touching the boat.

## **17 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

17.1 The Race Committee will broadcast on VHF channel 69.

## **19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

19.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. It is the personal responsibility of each competitor to determine his/her level of safety. If wind, wave, or water conditions make you doubtful of your ability to handle the condition safely, it is your decision and your decision only to continue sailing or to retire. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

