



RICHMOND YACHT CLUB

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Mercury Class Fall Regatta

Organizing Authority: Richmond Yacht Club, Point Richmond, California

1.0 RULES

1.1 **This series will be sailed in compliance of Contra Costa County Covid-19 instructions Issued April 29th, 2020.**

1.2 The sailing part of this series will be governed by the RULES as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), except as modified by these Sailing Instructions.

1.3 Competitors shall wear life jackets or other adequate personal buoyancy while racing.

2. Notices to competitors will be posted on the RYC website.

3. Any change to the sailing instructions will be announced via VHF channel 69.

4. NO SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES. 11 am First Warning, races 2 –(TBD)to follow and will be announced via VHF (69).

6. Courses and course area will be announced via VHF. First course area is NE of Brooks Island, “the PRO may define other areas by radio announcement.”

7. The marks will be orange balls . There will be a windward, start line, and leeward mark.

8. The start and finish line will be between an orange flag on r/c boat and orange buoy (ball).

9. The time limit for each race day is 45 minutes for first boat and 60 minutes for last boat.

10. SCORING. This will be a no throw out series.

13. COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC

Boats shall not impede the passage of ship traffic while racing. Rule 9 of the Inland Rules of the Road applies with respect to all shipping traffic on San Francisco Bay and its tributaries. Committee. A protest of a Rule 9 infraction by a competitor may be made at any time prior to the conclusion of the regatta, but not more than 24 hours after the incident. A protest by the Race Committee for an infraction of Rule 9 may be made at any time up to two days after the conclusion of the regatta. The Richmond Yacht Club will cooperate and provide relevant information to any investigations by the Coast Guard or other competent governmental authority of violations of Rule 9.

14. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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 regatta.