

Kelp Cup Regatta

1 November 2020

Sailing Instructions (10/27/2020)

1. RULES

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in US Sailing's "The Racing Rules of Sailing" with the exception of any special instructions stated herein; or as stated during the on-water check-in.
- 1.2. The Regatta will be competed in the Shields Class yachts following compliance with published Shields One Design Class rules and safety requirements.
- 1.3. The skippers and crew of each yacht shall be the same as the original crew that won the overall MPYC One Design and PHRF championships. Any changes to the crew on any competing yacht will be subject to agreement by the other skippers.
- 1.4. RRS 40 is changed: all competitors are required to wear a life jacket or other adequate personal flotation device during the Regatta.
- 1.5. The "Safety Requirements" in the 2020 MPYC Sailing Instructions, as applicable, will apply.

2. COMMUNICATIONS

- 2.1. Amendments/changes will be circulated by email to all skippers by 0900 hrs on 1 November 2020. Oral instructions/ changes may also be made during the on-water check-in.
- 2.2. Communications with yachts will be on VHF Channel 68.
- 2.3. A mandatory Skippers Meeting will be held on Friday, October 30 at 1730 hrs on the MPYC dock. A drawing will be held at the meeting to determine which yachts will be assigned to each of the respective skippers. The PRO will administer the drawing.

3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1. No signals will be made ashore.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACE

- 4.1. The warning signal for the first race will sound at 1155 hrs on 1 November 2020 with no warning signal made after 1500 hrs.
- 4.2. The Shields class flag will be used.
- 4.3. All competing yachts must check-in with the designated race committee flag boat no later than 1145 hrs on VHF 68.
- 4.4. A maximum of three races will be sailed. The decision on the number of races, the course selection and distance of each race will that of the PRO. Such decision shall be based on factors such as (but not limited to) wind speed, weather conditions, safety, and noted time restrictions.

5. COURSE

- 5.1. The courses will posted on the race committee flag boat.
- 5.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee flag boat and a nearby floating mark as designated by the race committee.

5.3. The course will be a standard windward/leeward course using inflatable marks. If circumstances or conditions require, the race committee will determine the course selection using fixed marks.

6. PENALTIES

6.1. RRS Appendix V1 and V2 will apply.

7. SCORING

7.1. Scoring will be in accordance with the 2020 MPYC Sailing Instructions

7.2. No throw-outs races will be allowed.

7.3. In the event of a tie between the two top scoring boats, the winner will be determined based on the highest placed finishes in each race.

8. PROTESTS, ARBITRATION AND REDRESS

8.1. The protest time limit is one hour after the last competitor has finished the last race of the day (RRS 61.3 applies).

8.2. Protest forms are available at the MPYC club house. Protests shall be delivered to the PRO within the protest time limit. Time of protest form delivery shall be noted on the protest form.

8.3. Protest notices will be circulated to all skippers by email within a reasonable time after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the place and time posted.

9. LIABILITY

9.1. Competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their risk. 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.

9.2. In accordance with Monterey County Health Department directives, all social distancing practices are to be followed while participating in a MPYC racing event.