



RICHMOND YACHT CLUB

2022 Big Daddy Regatta

March 12 - 13, 2022

Sailing Instructions

2022 BIG DADDY SATURDAY AND SUNDAY RACES

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 All participants in this regatta are required to follow all relevant state, county, and yacht club Covid safety requirements in effect at the time of the race. Contra Costa Covid mandates can be found at <https://www.coronavirus.cchealth.org/>. Richmond Yacht Club Covid guidelines can be found at <https://www.richmondyc.org/Default.aspx?p=dynamicmodule&pageid=103&ssid=100110&vnf=1>.
- 1.3 All one-design fleets must sail under their class rules. PHRF boats must sail under the Northern California PHRF Rules and Guidelines which can be found at http://yra.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/RulesAndGuidelinesJan_2022.pdf
- 1.4 RRS 40 is changed as follows: All competitors shall wear personal flotation devices that are USCG or ISO approved. The "Y" flag will not be displayed.
- 1.5 The use of powered equipment is permitted as long as those boats have declared this information on their PHRF rating. This modifies Rule 52.

2 SCORING

- 2.1 The scoring system is as follows: Time on Time (TOT).
- 2.2. Three races are scheduled on Saturday. All races will count toward the final score. There will be no throw outs. This changes RRS A2. One design fleets racing Saturday will be scored separately from the PHRF fleets. The Sunday Pursuit Race will also be scored separately.
- 2.3. Sunday's race will be scored using regular PHRF only for all divisions.
- 2.4. Saturday's regular PHRF scoring will be used for the purpose of awarding Overall prizes.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect. Change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 4.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, which is located in the junior room downstairs. Notices may also be posted on the RYC website.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the mast on the upper deck at RYC.

- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in race signal AP. This changes "Race Signals".

6 RACE SCHEDULE - SATURDAY

6.1

Race Signal	Time
Race 1	11:25
Race 2	Immediately following race 1
Race 3	Immediately following race 2

- 6.2 After each race a warning signal for the succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable, A series of short sound signals and a radio announcement may be made to alert boats that another race will begin soon.

7 RACE SCHEDULE - SUNDAY

7.1.

Race Signal	Time
Pursuit Race	11:55

8 FLEET ASSIGNMENTS / DIVISIONS

- 8.1 Fleet assignments will be available on the RYC website at <https://www.richmondyc.org/default.aspx?p=v35EvtView&ID=200865> and at the Club after 5:00 PM, March 11th.

9 RACING AREAS

- 9.1 There are three race areas.

Deep Water Course	West of the Berkeley Pier
Start Line & Finish Line Boat	RYC Pelican
VHF Channel	69
OC Course	Olympic Circle Area
Start Line & Finish Line Boat	Toro Grande
VHF Channel	79
Southampton Course	East of Southampton
Start Line & Finish Line Boat	Buoy Toy
VHF Channel	71

10 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 10.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 10.2 Saturday's Race Committee may use the following VHF channels to communicate information about the day's racing and the sail numbers of boats that are OCS or have violated RRS•
DeepwaterCourse - 69
OC Course - 79
Southampton Course - 71
- 10.3 Neither failure of the Race Committee to communicate the sail numbers of recalled boats in a timely manner, nor failure of a recalled boat to receive or hear transmitted information, will be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

11 COURSES

- 11.1 **Attachment B shows the courses for the Southampton Course and OC Course**, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
Attachment C shows the courses for Deep Water Course, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 11.2 There may be an Offset Mark "O" set 5-8 boat-lengths from the weather mark. If present, the offset mark is to be passed in sequence as designated in the course descriptions on Attachment B & C.
- 11.3 The course to be sailed will be designated by a flag displayed from the Race Committee signal boat.
- 11.4 The race committee will attempt to announce courses and starting groups on the race channel. The absence of this announcement or the failure of a boat hearing the announcement shall not be grounds for redress.

12 MARKS

- 12.1 Marks will be inflatable cylinders or tetrahedrons.

13 RESTRICTED AREAS

- 13.1 For safety, each of the lines bounded by the following two points is an obstruction:
 - 13.1.2 The Bell Buoy (GR Bell) off the West end of Alcatraz Island and the closest point ashore
 - 13.1.3 The buoy (G 3) South of Point Blunt on Angel island and the closest point ashore
 - 13.1.4 A 200' circle around Southampton shoal platform.
- 13.2 Boats shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway (see US Dept. of Commerce chart 18649 for designated narrow channels and fairways of SF Bay) or fishing or other vessels with restricted ability to maneuver. Boats identified who endanger their own safety, other sail boats, or that of a commercial or government vessel will be subject to protest by a Race Committee (RC) or contestant and face possible disqualification. RRS 60.3 is modified to add (d) to read: A hearing for allegations of the above will be instigated by a protest committee if notified by government, commercial or individual vessel of possible infraction. It shall also extend the time limit under RRS 61.3 to accept the information.

14 STARTS

- 14.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26. Classes may be started in any order, although in the first race of the day expect that classes will be started in the order listed in Attachment A .
- 14.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and the course side of an inflatable mark. There may be a limiting mark near the signal boat.
- 14.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 14.4 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number on the designated VHF channel. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 14.5 General Recall: If there is a second general recall, that group will start after the last scheduled group of starters.
- 14.6 A boat that does not start within 15 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

15 CHANGES TO THE NEXT LEG OF A COURSE

- 15.1 As indicated in RRS.

16 FINISH

- 16.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a Race Committee boat and an inflatable mark. Competitors should adjust their sails so the finish line crew can see sail numbers immediately after finishing. Stick around after your finish and be ready to start the next race, listen to your VHF or watch for your fleet flag on the starting boat.

17 TIME LIMIT

- 17.1 The time limit for each race shall be 90 minutes.
- 17.2 Boats in a fleet failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in the fleet sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

18 SCORING

- 18.1 A boat's series score, for all fleets including the Moore 24 fleet, will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.

19 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 19.1 Protest forms will be available near the official notice board. Protests shall be delivered to a Race Committee representative in the Race Office within the protest time limit, which shall be 30 minutes after the committee boat returns to the dock. The return time will be posted on the official notice board inside and to the left of the main entrance to the club and on the website.
- 19.2 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties. Notices will also be posted on the web site. Note that fleets with protests on Saturday will have their trophy presentations on Sunday afternoon during the pursuit race awards.
- 19.3 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b). Notices will be posted on the official Notice board and on the Web site.

20 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 20.1 Check-in: On Saturday, boats are requested to check in with the Race Committee by sailing by the committee boat, on starboard tack, prior to the first warning signal (Saturday), or 15 minutes prior to her start No radio check in on Saturday. On Sunday's pursuit race no check in is required.
- 20.2 Boats leaving the racing area prior to the conclusion of racing are requested to notify the Race Committee by VHF before leaving the course area. If that is not possible, the competitor shall notify a shoreside member of the Race Committee or a club staff member (Bartender, Harbormaster) immediately after arriving ashore.
- 20.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

2022 BIG DADDY PURSUIT RACE - Sunday, March 13

21 COURSE

21.1 Courses for the race will be from the start near the Southampton platform, around Angel Is & Alcatraz in either direction, leaving both islands either to port or both to starboard, and back to the finish line near Red # 6 channel mark in the Richmond Channel. Course length will be 10.7 miles.

22 START

- 22.1 The initial start shall be in accordance with Rule 26. The Warning flag will be a blue flag. After the initial start, the blue flag will be re-hoisted and will remain flying until the last start. All starts subsequent to the first start may be called to attention by a horn only. Hour and minute may be announced on VHF channel 69 by the Race Committee. The race committee will use GPS time.
- 22.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and an inflatable mark.
- 22.3 The numbers of over early boats may be called on Chan 69. The X flag may not be displayed. Boats not re-rounding an end of the line to restart will automatically be penalized 10 places at their finish times. This changes RRS 29.
- 22.4 If there is a postponement in the initial start, the signal boat will display the number of minutes of postponement with number signal flags. Competitors shall adjust their start times accordingly.
- 22.5 Start times will be posted on the RYC website and at the Club after 7:00pm on March 11th.

23 FINISH

23.1 The finish line will be between a staff flying an orange flag on the race committee boat Pelican and an inflatable mark. Competitors should ensure that their sail numbers are visible to the finish line crew while finishing.

24 TIME LIMIT

24.1 The time limit for the BIG DADDY race will be 1700 hours on Sunday. Boats finishing after that time will be scored as DNF. If conditions require a postponement the race committee may announce an extended finish time. This changes RRS 35.

25 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The organizing authority is the Richmond Yacht Club, located at Point Richmond, California.