

Big Daddy Regatta - Pursuit Race

Sunday, March 12, 2023

Sailing Instructions



RICHMOND
YACHT CLUB

1 RULES

- 1.1 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 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board by 0930 on the day they will take effect. Changes to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before they will take effect.
- 2.2 Changes to the sailing instructions may be made on the water. If a change is made the race committee will display the L flag and may also announce the change on the designated VHF channel.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, which is located in the RYC Junior Room downstairs. Notices may also be posted on the RYC website.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the mast on the upper deck at RYC.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in race signal AP. This changes "Race Signals".

5 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 5.1 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.
- 5.2 The Race Committee will use VHF channel 69 to communicate information about the day's racing.

6 SUNDAY RACE SCHEDULE

- | Race Signal | Time |
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| Pursuit Race | 1125 |

7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 The race start will be near the Southampton platform.

8 COURSE

- 8.1 The race course is as follows, a start near the Southampton platform, around Angel & Alcatraz islands 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.
- 8.2 Course length will be 10.7 miles.

9 OBSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1 The following lines and areas rank as obstructions.
- 9.1.1 The Bell Buoy (GR Bell) off the West end of Alcatraz Island and the closest point ashore
- 9.1.2 The buoy (G 3) South of Point Blunt on Angel island and the closest point ashore
- 9.1.3 A 200' circle around Southampton shoal platform.
- 9.2 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.

10 START

- 10.1 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.
- 10.2 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.
- 10.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee signal boat and an orange flag on a boat at the other end of the line.

- 10.4 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.
- 10.5 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.
- 10.6 Start times will be posted on the RYC website and at the Club after 7:00pm on March 11th.

11 FINISH

- 11.1 The finish line will be between a blue flag on the RC boat Pelican and orange flag on a RC whaler position at the pin end of the line. Competitors should ensure that their sail numbers are visible to the finish line crew while finishing.

12 TIME LIMIT

- 12.1 The time limit for the Big Daddy Pursuit 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.

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1 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.
- 13.2 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.
- 13.3 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.

14 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 14.1 Check ins are not required for the Sunday Pursuit race.
- 14.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.