



**CORTEZ RACING ASSOCIATION**  
A CALIFORNIA NONPROFIT CORPORATION  
San Diego, CA



Presents the **45<sup>th</sup> Annual**  
**San Diego Bay Beer Can Series**  
May 21<sup>st</sup> thru July 30<sup>th</sup> – Except July 2<sup>nd</sup>

## 2025 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### AMENDMENT #2

#### Safe Harbor Marinas Non-Spin Cruising Class

The following changes are made to the 2025 CRA Beer Can Sailing Instructions to create a new class and these changes apply to the **SHM Non-Spin Cruising Class** only.

#### 3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.2. On the water, the RC will monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 68. Please contact them to notify of a boat's intent to withdraw from racing.

#### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Dates of Racing: every Wednesday, beginning May 21 and ending July 30, except there will be no racing Wednesday July 2, 2025.  
5.2 Number of races: One race per day will be sailed.  
5.3 The scheduled time of the start for the SHM class each Wednesday is 6:00pm.

#### 6 CHECK-IN

- 6.1 Prior to **5:40pm** on each race day, each boat shall check-in with the race committee by hailing her class, "Safe Harbor Marina", boat name and sail number over radio channel VHF 68. Check-in may begin at 5:15pm.  
6.2 *No check-ins will be acknowledged over the radio after the first warning at 5:41pm.*

#### 9 THE COURSE

- 9.1 The starting area is in the vicinity of the Bali Hai Restaurant on the northern end of Shelter Island.  
9.2 The SHM class will sail the same course each week.  
9.3 The starting line is an imaginary line between the green can buoy, **G1**, at the entrance to America's Cup Harbor, and the light atop Tom Ham's Lighthouse restaurant.  
9.4 The SHM class will self-start by crossing the starting line in a direction towards the Coronado Bay Bridge no earlier than 6:00pm sharp.  
9.5 Boats will leave the two yellow inflated tetrahedrons, located in the vicinity of their start, to port as they sail towards the east.



- 9.6 Boats will sail towards the leeward mark, a lime green inflated tetrahedron located approximately 0.4nm west of the *Star of India*. The Safe Harbor Marinas logo and the South Coast Yachts logo will be seen on the mark. The GPS coordinates of this mark are: 32 43.168 ,117 10.837.  
Boats will round this mark to port.
- 9.7 Boats shall not sail through the CRA Beer Can starting line for all the other race boats on their way to their leeward mark.
- 9.8 After rounding the leeward mark, boats shall sail to the finish line, located in the area offshore from the ½ mile Range Markers on Harbor Island.
- 9.9 The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the RC vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end finishing mark, which may be an inflated tetrahedron or a robotic MarkSetBot.
- 9.10 Boats without sail numbers shall conspicuously display the provided banner number to the race committee at the finish.
- 9.11 For every race, each skipper shall log their finish time and the positions of other close finishers who are ahead, overlapped, and/or behind. Be prepared to furnish this information if requested by the RC.
- 9.12 Competitors are asked to quickly clear the finish line as soon as possible.

## **15 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 15.1 Competitors who break a rule shall take a one turn penalty, to include one tack and one gybe. This changes RRS 44.1.

## **16 TIME LIMIT**

- 16.1 The time limit for the first boat in a class to finish a race shall be 7:45pm. Boats not finished by 8:00pm, and not subsequently retiring, penalized, or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat in their class that finished by 8:00pm. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 16.2 When a boat retires from a race, the R/C must be notified before leaving the course area. Informing the R/C vessel can be accomplished by either (a) sailing (motoring) past the R/C vessel OR (b) radioing the R/C vessel (VHF 68).

## **19 POST RACE ACTIVITIES**

- 19.1 The dates and location of the post-race festivities are as listed on the CRA website: [www.cortezracing.com](http://www.cortezracing.com).
- 19.2 All skippers and crews are invited to the post-race parties, which will be outdoors at each venue. Please note that all alcoholic beverages consumed at the parties must be purchased at the host facility. Beverages and spirits are not to be brought to the host facility. Skippers are to inform their crew and guests that inappropriate conduct at the hosted post-race parties will not be tolerated, and may result in sanctions against the boat, skipper, and crew (RRS 69).

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