

# **Spring Classic Boat Invitational**

June 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> 2025 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### 1 RULES

This event is governed by the rules specified in the Notice of Race.

#### 2 SAFETY

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 vessel with restricted ability to maneuver. Boats identified by sail number who endanger their own safety or that of the commercial or government vessel will be subject to protest by the Race Committee (RC) or a contestant and face possible disqualification. A protest for allegations of the above will be heard by a protest committee whether the requirements of RRS 60.2 have been fulfilled or exclusions referenced in RRS 60.4(b) have been met. A DSQ for a safety violation shall be considered as disqualification not excludable (DNE).

Propulsion: To comply with this section and to avoid impeding such a vessel, a competitor may utilize auxiliary power without being obliged to retire (in accordance with RRS 42.3(h)) for only as long as required to clear a channel expeditiously. In so doing, she shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. She shall then be subjected to a scoring penalty of 2 places worse than she would have received, however she shall not be scored worse than Did Not Finish.

# 3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS / CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Notices to competitors or changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the regatta website <a href="https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/29909">www.regattanetwork.com/event/29909</a>. Notices shall be posted not later than 2000 hrs on the day before it will take effect. Notices to competitors may also be posted on the website, but the official notice board shall prevail.

# 4 RACING AREA

The intended racing area is Knox Shoal and to the west of Angel Island. If conditions dictate, the committee boat may move to another area. If so, the race committee shall hail the fleet on the VHF channel specified and display the "L" flag.

# 5 SCHEDULE AND CLASS FLAGS

First Warning will be at 1200 hrs. The starting is as follows:

Class	Warning	Flag
Knarr	1200	Red flag with a white "O" Knarr logo
Folkboat	After the above	Blue flag with a white "F" Folkboat logo

**Starts will not be rolled.** Three races are intended to be run on each day for each fleet. The Warning Signal for subsequent races shall be made as soon as practicable.

### 6 COMMUNICATIONS

- a) RRS 25 is modified to allow for on-the-water radio communications between the Race Committee (R/C) and racing boats on VHF channel 63A.
- b) The R/C may hail boats that are OCS. Failure to make such a hail or the inability of a competitor to hear a hail for OCS or any other information or the order in which boats are hailed shall not relieve her of her responsibility, nor shall it be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.4(b)(1)
- c) RRS 90.2(c) is amended to allow oral changes to the Sailing Instructions on the water. In the event the

R/C needs to communicate oral changes, they shall raise the "L" flag and attempt to hail competitors on the above VHF channel.

#### 7 CHECK-IN & RETIRE

- a) All boats shall show their sail number to the Race Committee by sailing past the Signal Boat on a starboard tack prior to the first warning signal. Radio check-in is not necessary.
- b) A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the earliest reasonable opportunity.

#### 8 THE START

The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and the course side of a yellow conical mark.

#### 9 COURSES AND MARKS

Courses and mark descriptions are defined on Attachment A. Courses are designated by number placards.

#### 10 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark of a different color (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

#### 11 THE FINISH

The finish line will be between a staff or halyard displaying a blue flag on the signal boat and the course side of a yellow conical mark.

#### 12 TIME LIMIT

For all races the time limit shall be 15 minutes after the first boat in the class finishes that race. Boats finishing after the time limit shall be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5. There will be no starts after 1500.

### 13 PROTESTS

- a) Protests shall be sent electronically using the standard US Sailing protest form<sup>1</sup> and emailed to: <a href="mailto:race@sausalitoyachtclub.org">race@sausalitoyachtclub.org</a>. Protests must be time-stamped no later than 1900 on the day of the race to which the protest applies. The list of protests will be posted on the official event website within 30 minutes of the end of protest time.
- b) Hearings will be scheduled as soon as possible following racing at the direction of the appointed Chief Judge, and will be held in person and / or on Zoom.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/US\_Sailing\_Hearing\_Request\_Form\_20210301\_Fillable.pdf

# **ATTACHMENT A**

# **Courses & Marks**

Courses will be displayed by Number placards

Course 1

S-W-L-F

Course 2

S-W-L-W-L-F





All marks shall be taken to port.

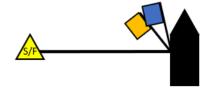
Start line is not restricted

# **DESCRIPTION OF MARKS**

S/F Yellow conical mark

W Orange conical mark

G Orange conical marks





Course is not to scale or proportion