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SAUSALITO YACHT CLUB

Fall Classic Boat Invitational

October 5th 2025

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

NoR 1.3 is changed to say RRS Appendix V1 & V2 applies.

2 SAFETY

Competitors shall keep clear of all commercial traffic.

Propulsion: To comply with this section and avoid impeding such traffic, a boat may use auxiliary power as permitted by RRS 42.3(i), only as long as needed to clear the traffic expeditiously. She shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible. A scoring penalty of two places will be applied, but not worse than DNF.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS / CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Notices to competitors or changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the regatta website www.regattanetwork.com/event/30365. 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 class flags and the schedule for the first race are as follows:

Class	Warning	Flag
Knarr	1200	Red flag with a white "O" Knarr logo
Bear + Bird	After the above	Code Flag "Echo"

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 66A.

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.

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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 red conical mark.

12 TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the first boat to finish in each race shall be 90 minutes from its start signal. The time limit for other finishing boats shall be 20 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 SCORING

Boats in the combined Bear + Bird class will have their finishing positions calculated using the Time-on-Time methodology based on the NorCal One Design PHRF base ratings for the boats. No handicapping will be used for other classes.

14 PROTESTS

a) Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: "(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in and did not see the incident, or".

b) Protests shall be sent electronically using the standard US Sailing protest form¹ and emailed to the Event Chair and the Chief Judge at the addresses listed below. 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.

c) Hearings will be scheduled as soon as possible following racing at the direction of the Chief Judge, and will be held in person and / or on Zoom.

Event Chair	SYC Race Chair	race@sausalito yachtclub.org	
Principal Race Officer	Tony Chargin	akcharg@aol.com	925-337-4636
Chief Judge	Donald Wieneke	dkwieneke@gmail.com	415-332-0186

¹ https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/US_Sailing_Hearing_Request_Form_20210301_Fillable.pdf

Attachment A

Courses and Marks

- Courses will be displayed by numbered placards:
 - Course 1:** S – W – F
 - Course 2:** S – W – L1 – W – F
 - Course 3:** S – W – L2 – F
 - Course 4:** S – W – L2 – W – L2 – F
 - Course 5:** S – W – L1 – W – L2 – F
- Description of marks:
 - S:** Yellow conical Mark
 - F:** Red conical mark
 - W:** Orange conical rounding mark
 - L1:** Orange conical rounding mark to windward of signal boat
 - L2:** Orange conical rounding mark to leeward of signal boat
- The presence / use of L1 & L2 will depend on race-day conditions
- All rounding marks shall be taken to port
- Start line is not restricted

Course is not to scale or proportion

