



# JESSICA CUP

St. Francis Yacht Club

October 15, 2011

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)* and these Sailing Instructions including Attachment-A and Attachment-B.
- 1.2 All competitors are required to wear a life jacket or other adequate personal flotation device. RRS 40 is changed as follows: The "Y" flag will not be displayed.
- 1.3 Boats shall be scored on corrected times (CT) based on the assigned time-on-distance rating (RATING).
- 1.4 Time on Distance will be calculated utilizing the following formula:  $CT=ET - (Distance*(RATING)/60)$ , where ET= Elapsed Time and Distance is the rated course distance per Attachment-A.

### 2. Entries

- 2.1 Eligible boats shall complete registration online ([www.stfyc.com](http://www.stfyc.com)) prior to 1000 hours on October 15th.
- 2.2 Fleet divisions will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board no later than 1800 hours on Friday, October 14 on the Official Notice Board. An unofficial copy may be posted on the regatta website.
- 2.3 Fleet divisions and code flags are described in Attachment-A.

### 3. Communication with Competitors

- 3.1 A Competitors' Meeting will be held at StFYC Saturday, October 15th at 1030 hours.
- 3.2 Official Notices will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located in the hallway adjacent to the side (Regatta) entrance of StFYC.
- 3.3 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 1100 hours on the day they are to take effect, except any changes to Sailing Instruction 4, Schedule of Races, will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before it takes effect.
- 3.4 Starting Signals and signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the StFYC Race Deck.
- 3.5 Questions regarding the Sailing Instructions may be submitted in writing to the Race Committee. Questions and written responses will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board.
- 3.6 VHF radio broadcasts may be made by the Race Committee on Channel 68. In emergencies, competitors may contact the Race Committee on this VHF channel.

### 4. Schedule of Races

<i>DAY</i>	<i>RACE</i>	<i>TIME</i>
Saturday October 15 <sup>th</sup>	Race #1	1200 hours – First Warning Signal
	Race #2	Immediately following Race #1

### 5. Racing Area

The intended racing area will be the San Francisco City Front utilizing the St.FYC race deck for starts and finishes.

## 6. Courses and Marks

- 6.1 The courses and marks are described on Attachment A – Official Description of Marks and Courses.
- 6.2 No later than the Warning Signal for each division, Code Flag(s) designating the course will be displayed from the Race Deck flag pole

## 7. The Start

- 7.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26. The warning for the succeeding division will be made no earlier than one-minute after the preceding start. The intended division starting order is described in Attachment-A; however, division may be started in any order for the second race.

Times shall be taken from the visual signal; failure of a sound signal shall be disregarded.

Signal	Visual Signal	(Sound Signal)	Minutes to Start
Warning	Display Course Code Flag(s) Display Division Letter Code Flag	(gun)	5
Preparatory	Display P or I, Z, or black flag Lower preparatory flag	(gun) (horn)	4 1
Start	Lower Division Letter Code Flag	(gun)	0

- 7.2 The Starting Line will be the StFYC “A” Buoy (outer buoy) and a yellow vertical panel on the Race Deck of the StFYC. The Direction of the start is described per 7.3 and 7.4 below
- 7.3 Courses **1** through **16** - The start shall be from East to West leaving Mark “A” to Starboard
- 7.4 Courses **17** through **25** - The start shall be from West to East leaving Mark “A” to Port
- 7.5 A boat shall not start later than 4 minutes after her starting signal. A boat that starts later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS 35.
- 7.6 StFYC “B” Buoy (inner buoy) must be left to the south when starting.

## 8. Recalls

The Race Committee may hail the sail number(s) of the boat(s) identified on the course side of the starting line after the starting signal by loud hailer or VHF Channel 68. The failure of a hail, the failure of a boat hearing the hail or the order of the hails shall not be grounds for redress.

## 9. The Finish

- 9.1 The Finish Line will be between StFYC “A” Buoy (outer buoy) and a yellow vertical panel on the Race Deck of the StFYC.
- 9.2 The finish direction for all courses shall be East to West leaving Mark “A” to Starboard

## 10. Time Limit for Each Race

The Time Limit for each race will be 3½ hours. A boat failing to finish within 45 minutes after the firstboat in her division will be scored “Did Not Finish” by the Race Committee. This Changes RRS 35.

## **11. RESTRICTED AREAS**

**11.1** Boats shall not pass through the areas bound by the following objects and the closest point ashore:

- (a) The "H" Beam (located approximately 200 yards west of the St. Francis YC).
- (b) The Bell Buoy off the west end of Alcatraz Island.
- (c) All breakwaters in the vicinity of Fisherman's Wharf and Aquatic Park.
- (d) Round orange buoys set off of Piers 39, Pier 45, and the SF Marina entrance (if set).
- (e) Anita Rock and its buoy.

**11.2** The above restricted areas are defined as obstructions.

**11.3** A boat that breaks this rule may not correct her error.

## **12. Protests**

**12.1** Protests and requests for redress may be written on Standard US SAILING Protest Forms. These Forms are available at the St. Francis Yacht Club Jury Desk located adjacent to the Official Regatta Notice Board. Protests and requests for redress shall be lodged with the Jury Desk 60 minutes after the last boat finishing the last race of the day. This time limit will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board.

**12.2** The time and place of all protest hearing(s), the boat(s) protesting, boat(s) being protested and boat(s) requesting redress will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board within 30 minutes after the close of the protest filing time. This shall serve as notification as per RRS 63.2

**12.3** A request to reopen a hearing must be delivered to the Jury Desk of the St. Francis Yacht Club within 60 minutes of a boat receiving the Protest Committee's decision (oral or written). This changes RRS 66.

## **13. Scoring**

**13.1** One race must be completed to constitute a series. Each boat's score will be the sum of her scores for all races.

## **14. Berthing**

Competitor's Boats may be moored, free of charge, at the StFYC Guest Docks one night prior to racing and one night after racing concludes at the direction of the StFYC Dockmaster.

**ATTACHMENT "A"**  
**OFFICIAL DESCRIPTION OF MARKS AND COURSES**

**INTENDED STARTING ORDER                      DIVISION LETTER PENNENT**

M1 (Marconi 1)	A
M2 (Marconi 2)	B
Gaff	G

COURSE*	ROUNDING ORDER							DISTANCE (nm)
1	Start	16s	6s				Finish	3.5
2	Start	16s	As	16s	6s		Finish	5.5
3	Start	16s	18s				Finish	6.1
4	Start	16s	18s	16s	6s		Finish	9.5
5	Start	16s	17s	8s	16s	6s	Finish	11.9
6	Start	16s	6s	17s	6s		Finish	6.9
7	Start	16s	17s	18s			Finish	7.4
8	Start	16s	17s	18s	16s	6s	Finish	10.7
9	Start	16s	17s	18s	16s	18s	Finish	13.6
12	Start	16s	17s	6s			Finish	5.5
13	Start	YBp	16p	6s			Finish	6.4
14	Start	YBp	17s	6s			Finish	5.3
15	Start	YBp	17p	4s	Xp	6s	Finish	7.7
16	Start	YBp	Xp	6s			Finish	5.1
17	Start	6p	16p	6p			Finish	3
18	Start	18p					Finish	4.2
19	Start	18p	16p	Xp			Finish	6.4
21	Start	6p	16p	18p	Xp	6p	Finish	9.6
23	Start	6p	17p	16p	6p		Finish	6.8
24	Start	6p	17p	6s			Finish	5
25	Start	6p	YBp	16p	17s	6s	Finish	9.5
'p' & 's' designate Port and Starboard roundings respectively								

**Note: \* Double-digit course numbers will be displayed on a single halyard ie; "19" as flag 1 over 9**

**Rounding Marks**

**Description**

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| 16 | (Blackaller) #16 Inflatable Yellow Cone 0 .2 NM East of Ft. Point       |
| 17 | (Harding Rock) #17 Red Green "HR" 1 QK Fl. Red at Harding Rock          |
| 6  | (Fort Mason) Yellow Can "M" 200 yd North of Ft Mason Docks              |
| 18 | (Blossom Rock) #18 Red Green "BR" Fl. (2+1) G 6s Bell                   |
| YB | (Yellow Bluff) Inflatable RED buoy Approx. 0.5 nm East of Yellow Bluff  |
| X  | Yellow/Blue Sphere 'X' located North of Golden Gate Yacht Club          |
| A  | StFyc "A" Buoy (outer buoy), yellow sphere or temporary inflatable mark |
| 8  | Red Bell Buoy - R "4" Fl 4s Horn 1 nm East of Point Blunt               |
| 4  | (Knox) Red Bell Buoy, R "2" Fl 4s Pt Knox                               |

## ATTACHMENT B - COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC, SAFETY

- B1** As stated in the RRS preamble to the Part 2 rules, when a boat sailing under these rules meets a vessel that is not, she shall comply with the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) or government right-of-way rules. This supplements, but does not replace the rules of Part 2.
- B2** If a commercial vessel has sounded five blasts, and/or the vessel or the Coast Guard identifies an offending boat, the Race Committee shall protest the boat, in which case the Protest Committee shall assume that the identified boat has impeded passage or violated the U.S. Inland Navigation Rules, and the identified boat shall have the burden of proving otherwise. In the case of a complaint by a Vessel Traffic or the Coast Guard, the protest time limit shall be extended up to two days after the conclusion of the regatta.

This changes RRS 60.2(a) and 61.3.

- B3** A Race Committee boat may signal a boat to alter course to avoid impeding the passage of commercial vessels by making a sound signal (horn or whistle) and pointing Code Flag V at the boat. The signaled boat shall promptly comply with the signal unless compliance would create an unsafe condition. If a boat fails to comply with such a signal, the Race Committee shall protest the boat, in which case the Protest Committee shall assume that the course alteration would not have created an unsafe condition, and the protested boat shall have the burden of proving otherwise.
- B4** A boat may be penalized independently under B1, B2 and/or B3. As prescribed in RRS 44.1, violation of any part this appendix shall not be exonerated by a "turns" or Scoring Penalty, and a resulting disqualification shall not be excludable under RRS A2. The StFYC shall cooperate with and provide relevant information to the Coast Guard or other governmental authority regarding investigations of boats impeding ship traffic or violating Inland Navigation Rules (33 CFR 83).