



# Santa Cruz Yacht Club

## Sailing Instructions

### 2013 Commodore's Regatta

Saturday, April 6, 2013

#### 1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. Rule 40 is changed as follows: "When flag Y is displayed with one sound before or with the warning signal," is deleted. Flag Y will not be displayed. Personal flotation devices must be worn.

#### 2. Notices to Competitors

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the window of the Santa Cruz Yacht Club clubhouse.

#### 3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1130 on the day it will take effect.
- 3.2. Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1700 on the day before it will take effect.

#### 4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Santa Cruz Yacht Clubhouse flagpole.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes *Race Signals*.

#### 5. Schedule of Races, Starting Times and Competitors' Briefing

- 5.1. There will be a Competitors' Briefing on Saturday at 1100 hours at the Santa Cruz Yacht Club Clubhouse.
- 5.2. Competitors will start at or after their posted *starting time* in the order determined by their PHRF handicap with the boat with the largest handicap starting earliest, commonly known as a "pursuit race". A table of *starting times* for all registered competitors will be available at the Competitors' Briefing and posted on the Official Notice Board. (A preliminary version may be available on-line as Competitors enter but may not be complete.)
- 5.3. There is one race scheduled for Saturday, April 6, 2013. The warning signal is scheduled for 1255 hours.

## 6. Class Flag

6.1. The class flag will be international signal flag F.



## 7. Racing Areas

7.1. Racing will be around Government and SCYC Fixed marks between Capitola and Natural Bridges.

7.2. The starting area will be in the vicinity of the SCYC mark *Start*. (Location shown in 9.2 below)

## 8. The Course

***Start* → *Wharf (p)* → *SC7 (p)* → *Government (s)* →  
*Black Point (s)* → *Wharf (p)* → *Black Point (s)* →  
*Wharf (p)* → *Finish***

(Note: Mark *Black Point* is ALWAYS left to Starboard)

8.1. All marks listed above with a “(p)” postscript shall be left to **Port**; all marks listed above with a “(s)” postscript shall be left to **Starboard**.

8.2. For PHRF handicap purposes, the course will have a length of seven and eight tenths (7.8) nautical miles.

## 9. Marks

9.1. Marks *Start* & *Finish*, *Wharf* and *Black Point* are plain yellow balls. Mark *SC7* is a yellow cylinder marked “SC7”. Mark *Government* is a large white ball. All marks are *rounding marks* except for marks *Start* and *Finish*.

9.2. Approximate Mark Locations:

<u>Mark Name</u>	<u>Approximate Location</u>	
<i>Start</i> & <i>Finish</i>	36° 57.1' N	121° 59.6' W
<i>Wharf</i>	36° 56.9' N	122° 01.2' W
<i>SC7</i>	36° 56.3' N	122° 00.9' W
<i>Government</i>	36° 57.5' N	122° 00.7' W
<i>Black Point</i>	36° 57.2' N	121° 59.3' W

## 10. The Start

10.1. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Signal Boat and mark *Start*.

- 10.2. The starting sequence is scheduled to begin at 1255 hours. No additional starting sequence shall be made unless the race is restarted or re-sailed.
- 10.3. Competitors shall be *racing* beginning at four minutes prior to their *starting time*.
- 10.4. Competitors shall *start* at or later than their *starting time*.
- 10.5. Competitors shall keep clear of the starting area until they are *racing*.
- 10.6. Sailing Instructions 10.3 and 10.4 change *Definitions: Racing and Start*, and Rule 26.

## **11. The Finish**

- 11.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Signal Boat and mark *Finish*.

## **12. Time Limit**

- 12.1. The time limit is two hours and thirty minutes. The race will be abandoned if the time limit expires and no boat has finished. If at least one boat has sailed the course and finished, the Race Committee will travel along the course from the direction of the *Finish* to the *Start* noting the position of competitors at the expiration of the time limit. In this case, a boat's finishing position after the expiration of the time limit shall be her position as the Race Committee passes her.

## **13. Protests and Requests for Redress**

- 13.1. Protest forms are available at the Santa Cruz Yacht Club Regatta Shed.
- 13.2. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the Regatta Shed within the Protest Filing Time Limit.
- 13.3. The Protest Filing Time Limit will be 60 minutes after the Signal Boat reaches her berth. The Protest Filing Time Limit will be posted as soon as reasonably possible.
- 13.4. Notice of any hearing will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

## **14. Radio Communications**

- 14.1. While on the water the race committee may utilize VHF channel 68 to make announcements to competitors.
- 14.2. Except in an emergency, 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.

## **15. Disclaimer of Liability**

- 15.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or

personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.