

# **ALYC 2013 Sundowner Series Sailing Instructions**

**Monday nights beginning 5/6/2013**

**Amendment 1 - 5/5/2013**

**Amendment 2 - 6/19/2013**

## **1. RULES**

1.1 All races will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US Sailing, the rules of the classes and the Notice of Race (*except as any of these are changed by the Sailing Instructions (SI's)*).

1.2 PHRF So Cal Area D RLC handicaps will be used, non-spin offset will be added to handicap for boats only running one headsail for the entire series.

1.3 Boats entering a series opting for a second headsail: 2nd headsail cannot be larger than the boat is rated for and must be track-able.

1.4 RSS Rule 44.1 will be changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **2. ENTRIES**

2.1 Entry requires the following applicable items are submitted and are complete:

2.11 Online entry at Regatta Networks.com must be complete, including receipt of a confirmation email with instructions on how to update the entry data.

2.12 Payment of entry fee displayed at conclusion of registration can be paid online or by check delivered to ALYC Race Committee 215 E 15<sup>th</sup> Street Newport Beach, CA 92663

2.13 A current proof of \$300,000 Liability Insurance document is to be uploaded to RegattaNetwork.com or delivered to ALYC Race Committee 215 E 15<sup>th</sup> Street Newport Beach, CA 92663

2.14 A 2013 PHRF certificate (if applicable to Class entered) is to be uploaded to RegattaNetwork.com or delivered to ALYC Race Committee 215 E 15<sup>th</sup> Street Newport Beach, CA 92663

2.2 The individual listed on the RegattaNetwork.com entry must be the owner shown on the insurance and PHRF documents or a charterer and will be regarded as responsible for the yacht throughout the event.

2.3 Class Flags (White with Black Letter), Class Name (and Class Fleet or handicap rating range):

A	PHRF A	(below 141)
B	PHRF B	(141-166)
C	PHRF C	(167-214)
D	PHRF D	(215-299)
E	Harbor 20	(A Fleet)
F	Harbor 20	(B & C Fleet)

2.4 Harbor 20 Classes will be handicapped in accordance with their Class rules. Other Classes will be scored together on a handicapping system to be determined by the Race Committee based upon PHRF So Cal precedent.

2.5 Any changes to Class Fleet or handicap rating range and Class Flags (for the purpose of starting) will be posted no later than 1700 hours one day before the first race on the ALYC website and on the Notice Board outside the ALYC hut.

### **3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

3.1 The Race Committee may change the Sailing Instructions by notice in writing, or by verbal instruction to each affected boat prior to the warning signal for her class.

### **4. RACING AREA**

4.1 The racing area is defined by ALYC 2013 Course Chart.

4.2 All PHRF Class boats must remain clear of the mooring areas, which are hereby designated as “obstructions”.

## **5. COURSES AND MARKS**

5.1 Course number pennants (tens digit flying above ones digit) will be up no later than the preparatory signal for each class.

5.2 An orange inflatable mark windward of the start line is designated “F” and will be one of the marks in the courses listed on the 2013 ALYC Sundowner Series Courses List.

5.3 An orange inflatable mark leeward of the F mark is designated “G” and will be one of the marks in the courses listed on the 2013 ALYC Sundowner Series Courses List.

5.4 The separately distributed 2013 ALYC Sundowner Series Courses List has been updated and marked 6/19/13. All marks are to be rounded to port unless indicated by a small “s” after the mark identification on the Courses List.

## **6. CHECK-IN**

6.1 All boats are to pass by the Come Within Hail Flag (LIMA) on the Race Committee Signal boat and verbally check in and receive verbal confirmation from the R/C Signal boat prior to the warning signal for the first class ONLY if the Come Within Hail flag is displayed.

## **7. START**

7.1 The first warning signal is scheduled for 1755 hours.

7.2 Start line will be located in the 5 Points area between Harbor Island and the moorings off of Bayshore Drive. The Start line is between an orange flag on the R/C signal boat and an orange flag on a staff affixed to an anchored float.

7.3 Starts will be signaled according to RRS 26. Contestants must be alert for the display of their class indicator during the start sequence. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded. The warning signal for each succeeding class shall be made with or after the starting signal of the preceding class.

7.4 Approximately one minute before the first warning signal the R/C will sound an attention signal of multiple horns or whistle blasts.

7.5 Boats whose preparatory signal has not been made must remain clear of the starting line area.

7.6 Boats not over the Start line within 4 minutes of their start may be scored DNS at the discretion of the Race's PRO.

7.7 Racing boats shall recognize the rights of all vessels while underway.

7.8 Start (and Finish) line will not be restricted once the race starts.

## **8. FINISH**

8.1 The Finish line is described as the Start line is above.

8.2 Any boat finishing more than 15 minutes after the day's published sunset time shall be scored DNF without a hearing

8.3 Any boat that withdraws, retires or abandons a race must notify the race committee via hail when passing the R/C signal boat or radio on VHF ch. 16.

## **9. PROTESTS**

9.1 Protests are to be conducted in accordance with the current Racing Rules of Sailing utilizing the Alternate Scoring Penalty option.

9.2 Any boat protesting MUST continue to fly the protest flag when crossing the finish line and indicate to the Race Committee what boat they are protesting.

9.3 Protest forms are to be given to an identified Race Committee Member at the presentation table on the patio at the Legion within 40 minutes of the R/C boat arriving at the dock.

9.4 SI Attachment Z, AFTER INCIDENT SCORING PENALTY AND PROTEST ARBITRATION, will be in effect, modified such that the penalty percentage shall be 30%.

9.5 Protest hearings will begin 45 minutes after the Race Committee boat signals its arrival (one horn blast) at the dock.

## **10. SCORING**

10.1 Handicapped Classes' scoring will be based on the boat's Area D Random Leg Rating PLUS its Non-Spinnaker Offset.

10.2 Low point-scoring system (Rule A4.1) will apply.

10.3 One throw-out will be provided for each 5 races completed (this modified RSS A2).

10.4 Race Scores in a Series Longer than a Regatta (RSS A9) will apply (this modifies RSS A4.2). The skipper must notify the Race Committee that they retired, as soon as possible. Failure to notify the Race Committee (as above) can result in being scored DSQ.

## **11. PRIZES**

11.1 Individual prizes will be presented during dinner at the conclusion of each race at ALYC.

11.2 Series end trophies for each class will be awarded during a banquet to be held after the conclusion of the last series. The date of the banquet is Sunday September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00pm at the American Legion Hall 215 15<sup>th</sup> Street Newport Beach, Ca 92663. This will be confirmed, posted and announced during race night dinners prior to the conclusion of the series.

## **12. PARTICIPATION**

12.1 Competitors participate in this series 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 series.

12.2 It is recommended that participants monitor VHF channel 16.

12.3 Participation and Class Assignment is at the discretion of the Race Committee.

## SI Attachment Z

### AFTER-RACE SCORING PENALTY AND PROTEST ARBITRATION

#### After-Race Scoring Penalty

A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while *racing* may take a penalty after she is no longer *racing* and prior to the start of a protest hearing involving the incident. Her penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty of 8 points calculated as described in rule 44.3(c), unless the sailing instructions state a different penalty. However, if she caused injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach, her penalty shall be to retire. This adds to rule 44.

#### Protest Arbitration Process

(a) An arbitration meeting will be held prior to a protest hearing for each incident resulting in a protest involving a rule of Part 2 or rule 31, unless the arbitrator deems the incident inappropriate for arbitration. One representative of each party, who was on board at the time of the incident, will meet with the arbitrator. If all the parties to a protest are not represented, the arbitration meeting shall not be held. No witnesses will be permitted.

(b) After hearing the testimony, the arbitrator will offer one of the following opinions:

(1) The jury would find the protest to be invalid. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the *protest*.

(2) The jury would find that no boat broke a *rule*. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the *protest*.

(3) The jury would find that one or more boats represented in the arbitration meeting broke a rule of Part 2 or rule 31. The arbitrator will offer each of those boats the option to accept an After-Race Scoring Penalty, or to retire. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the *protest*.

(4) A protest hearing is appropriate.

(c) The jury will schedule a protest hearing for any protests that are not withdrawn. Any boat that accepted an After-Race Scoring Penalty will not be penalized further as a result of the protest hearing, unless the jury concludes that the boat caused injury or serious damage, gained a significant advantage in the race or series, or broke a rule other than a rule of Part 2 or rule 31.

(d) If a protest is withdrawn, no protest hearing will be held; and the protest cannot be the subject of a request for redress or appeal.

(e) Following an arbitration meeting, the arbitrator of that meeting may allow the protest to be withdrawn. This changes rule 63.1.