

# THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB



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## MELGES 20, MELGES 24, & OPEN 5.70 PACIFIC COAST CHAMPIONSHIPS

### EASOM FOUNDERS TROPHY REGATTA

and

### SUMMER KEELBOAT INVITATIONAL

August 16-18, 2013

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**Organizing Authority: The San Francisco Yacht Club, Belvedere, California**

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing and the US SAILING prescriptions (RRS). The rules of J/120 Fleet Five and J/105 Fleet One will be in effect for those respective classes. Also in effect will be the International Melges 24 Class Rules 2013, Bylaws and Interpretations, and the International Audi Melges 20 Class Association Rules.
- 1.2 Appendix T Section B (POST RACE PENALTIES) shall apply.
- 1.3 For the Melges 20 and Melges 24 classes, rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turn Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.4 For the J/120, J105, Etchells, and Open 5.70 classes, Appendix T Section A (PENALTIES WHILE RACING) shall apply:

The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: ‘A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.’
- 1.5 Appendix T Section D (ARBITRATION) shall apply.
- 1.6 All competitors shall wear personal flotation devices while racing, except for brief periods while changing or adjusting clothing. This changes rule 40.

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located outside on the SFYC deck.

### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

**4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the main flagpole located adjacent to the clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in race signal AP.

**5. SCHEDULE OF RACES**

5.1 Melges 20 PCC:

Friday, August 16, 2013 – Three (3) races are scheduled

Saturday, August 17, 2013 – Three (3) races are scheduled

5.2 All other fleets:

Saturday, August 17, 2013 – Three (3) races are scheduled

Sunday, August 18, 2013 – Two (2) races are scheduled

5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1130 hours.

5.4 After the first race each day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boats that another race or sequence of races will begin soon, a radio announcement on VHF 65 and a series of short sound signals may be made from the race committee signal boat.

**6. CLASS FLAGS**

Class flags for the following classes will be fleet insignias on different colored backgrounds:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Flag Color</u>
J/120	Black flag with white insignia
Express 37	White flag with red insignia
J/105	Red flag with white insignia
Melges 24	Yellow flag with black insignia
Melges 20	Black flag with white insignia
Etchells	White flag with blue insignia
Open 5.70	Green flag with black insignia

**7. RACING AREA**

On Friday, August 16, the racing area will be in the vicinity of Southampton Shoal. On Saturday and Sunday, August 17-18, the racing area will be in the vicinity of the Berkeley Olympic Circle.

**8. THE COURSES**

- 8.1 Attachment A shows the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 The course to be sailed will be designated by placards displayed from the race committee signal boat.
- 8.3 On Friday, August 16, 2013, marks W1, o1, and G1 may not be set.

**9. MARKS**

- 9.1 All marks will be inflatable buoys. See the course sheet on Attachment A.
- 9.2 There may be an offset mark, "o1" or "o2," set near the windward mark. If present, the offset mark is to be passed in sequence as designated in the course description on Attachment A.
- 9.3 Marks G1 and G2 are gates. If one of the gate marks is missing, boats shall round the one existing gate mark to port.
- 9.4 Marks W1, W2, o1, and o2 are rounding marks, and shall be rounded to port.

**10. THE START**

- 10.1 On Saturday and Sunday, classes may be started in any order, although in the first race each day,

expect that classes will be started in the order listed in sailing instruction 6 above.

- 10.2 On all race days, the starting line will be between a staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of a yellow inflatable mark, or a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee pin boat.
- 10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 10.4 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

## **11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finish line) to a new position.

## **12. THE FINISH**

- 12.1 For downwind finishes the finishing line will be leeward of the gate marks and will be between a staff or halyard displaying a blue flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of a small red inflatable mark on the opposite side of the signal boat from the starting mark. The small red mark may be replaced by a race committee boat displaying an orange flag, in which case the finish line pin will be the staff displaying the orange flag on that race committee boat.
- 12.2 For upwind finishes the finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat and the course side of a small red inflatable mark.

## **13. TIME LIMITS**

Boats in a fleet failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat in the fleet sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF. This changes rules 35 and A4.

## **14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 14.1 Protest Forms will be available at the Regatta Table in the clubhouse. Protests shall be delivered to the race committee representative at the Regatta Table. The protest time limit shall be one hour after the race committee signal boat returns to the dock. The return time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 14.2 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of the time and location of hearings in which they are parties.
- 14.3 On Saturday for the Melges 20 fleet, or on Sunday for all others, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
  - (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
  - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.

## **15. SCORING**

- 15.1 Six (6) races are scheduled for the Melges 20 class, and five (5) races are scheduled for all other classes. For each class, two (2) races must be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 All races will count toward a boat's final score.

## **16. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 16.1 Check in and check out: Boats are requested to check in with the race committee by sailing by the race committee signal boat, on starboard tack, prior to the first warning signal each day.
- 16.2 A boat that retires from racing shall notify the race committee as soon as possible

**17. COMMUNICATIONS**

The race committee may use VHF channel 65 to communicate information about course selection, time to start, the class position relative to the starting time, and the sail numbers of boats that are OCS or have broken rule 30. Neither failure of the race committee to communicate the sail numbers of recalled boats in a timely manner, nor the failure of a recalled boat to receive or hear transmitted information, will be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1.

**18. PRIZES**

18.1 Prizes will be awarded after the racing on Sunday, August 18, 2013, on the SFYC deck.

18.2 Unclaimed prizes will be held at the Race Office for a period of one month only. Call at 415-789-5647, or email to [race@sfyc.org](mailto:race@sfyc.org), to be sure someone will be in the office for pickup.

Michelle Farabaugh and Tina Lundh, Co-Regatta Chairs  
Jeff Zarwell, National Race Officer, PRO

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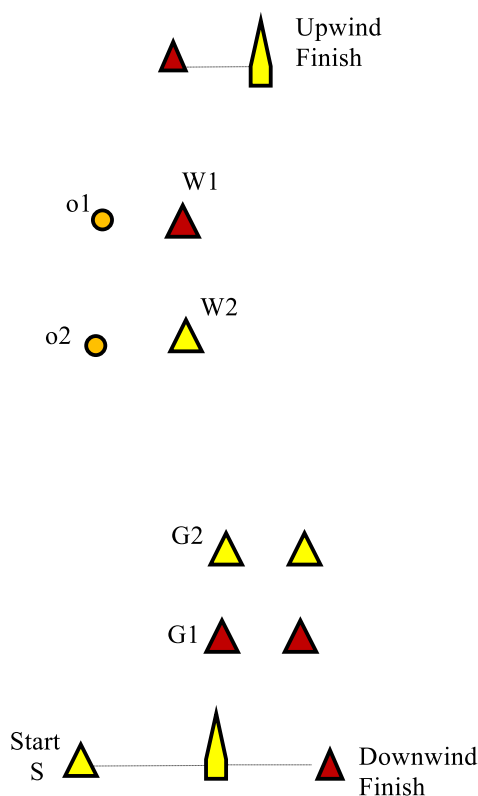
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**NOTE: PLEASE REMEMBER TO STOP AT THE SFYC FRONT DESK, OR PARKING LOT, AND PICK UP YOUR PARKING PASSES**

# ATTACHMENT A

## 2013 Summer Keelboat, Melges & Open 5.70 PCC and Easom Founders

### COURSES



#### Marks

W1 – Windward Mark 1 (Red)

W2 – Windward Mark 2 (Yellow)

G1 – Leeward Gate Marks (Red)

G2 – Leeward Gate Marks (Yellow)

o1 – Offset Mark 1 (Orange ball)

o2 – Offset Mark 2 (Orange ball)

S – Starting Mark (Yellow)

Downwind and Upwind Finish Marks (Small red)

Marks W1, o1, W2, and o2 shall be left to port.

#### Courses

1: Start – W1 – o1 – Downwind Finish

2: Start – W2 – o2 – Downwind Finish

3: Start – W1 – o1 – G1 – Upwind Finish

4: Start – W2 – o2 – G2 – Upwind Finish

5: Start – W1 – o1 – G1 – W1 – o1 – Downwind Finish

6: Start – W2 – o2 – G2 – W2 – o2 – Downwind Finish

7: Start – W1 – o1 – G1 – W1 – o1 – G1 – Upwind Finish

8: Start – W2 – o2 – G2 – W2 – o2 – G2 – Upwind Finish