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Sailing Instructions Spring Pokai Regatta

Saturday & Sunday, March 29 & 30, 2014

Organizing Authority: Hawaii Yacht Club (HYC)

1. RULES

- 1.1. The race will be conducted according to *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016* [RRS], including the 2010 updates, US Sailing Prescriptions, Hawaii Yacht Racing Association [HYRA] Prescriptions and HYC Standing Rules for Offshore Races unless otherwise amended in the Notice of Race or these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. RRS 51 and 52 are modified to allow the use of integrally designed Canting Ballast Twin Foil [CBTF] and water ballast technology.
- 1.3. RRS 52 is modified to allow the use of winches operated by using stored power.
- 1.4. RRS 55 is modified to add the following: "However, material used for banding sails may be discarded while setting sails".

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at Hawaii Yacht Club [HYC] or on the Main Race Committee Boat.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0830 on the day they will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore on Saturday will be displayed at the HYC flagpole.

5. SCHEDULE OF STARTS

	Aloha	B	A	X
Saturday, March 29				
Warning	0955	1015	1025	1035
Start	1000	1020	1030	1040
Sunday, March 30				
Warning	1055	1115	1125	1135
Start	1100	1120	1130	1140

6. CLASS FLAGS

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>FLAG</u>	<u>DETERMINATION</u>
Aloha	Green with "C"	Non-spinnaker
B	Gold with "B"	Spinnaker, PHRF > 111
A	White with "A"	Spinnaker, PHRF 31 - 110
X	Blue with "M"	Spinnaker, PHRF < 30

7. RACING AREA

The regatta will be held on the waters between Nanakuli and Diamond Head.

8. THE COURSES

- 8.1. Attachments A – C show the courses in a schematic fashion, but the written descriptions of the course, start, and finish will govern in the case of a discrepancy.
- 8.2. Boats shall pass all government aids to navigation for the channels listed below to seaward unless specifically listed otherwise as a mark of the course.
 - Ala Wai Harbor
 - Kewalo Basin
 - Honolulu Harbor
 - Keehi Lagoon
 - Pearl Harbor
 - Kalaeloa Harbor
- 8.3. **Saturday Course 1: Start – round DH(p) – Finish.** Course length is approximately 22 nm. Course 1 will be indicated with a "1" flag (white pennant with red circle).
- 8.4. **Saturday Course 2: Start – Finish.** Course length is approximately 19 nm. Course 2 will be indicated "2" flag (blue pennant with white circle).
- 8.5. **Sunday: Start – Finish.** Course length is approximately 19 nm.

9. MARKS

- 9.1. "DH" is the red Diamond Head buoy.
- 9.2. "R2" is the red Ala Wai Harbor Channel entrance buoy.
- 9.3. "KR2" is the red Kalaeloa Harbor Channel entrance buoy.
- 9.4. The starting marks will be an orange inflatable buoy and the Main Race Committee Boat. R2 will be used as a starting mark in the absence of an orange inflatable buoy. Instruction 11.2 will describe the starting line.
- 9.5. Instruction 12.1 will describe the finishing line.

10. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1. The area between and within two of a vessel's hull lengths of the Atlantis Submarine tenders, located offshore Waikiki, is designated as an obstruction.
- 10.2. In accordance with 33 CFR 165.1407, the area around the Tesoro Single Point and Chevron Conventional Buoy Moorings is designated as an obstruction:
 - beginning at 21° 16.43' N, 158° 06.03' W,
 - thence northeast to 21° 17.35' N, 158° 3.95' W,
 - thence southeast to 21° 16.47' N, 158° 03.50' W,
 - thence southwest to 21° 15.53' N, 158° 05.56' W,
 - thence north to the beginning point.

11. THE START

- 11.1. The starting sequence will conform to RRS 26.
- 11.2. The starting line on **Saturday** will be approximately ~0.5 nm southeast of R2, with the line located between an orange inflatable buoy and the staff of an orange flag on the Main Race Committee Boat.
- 11.3. The starting line on **Sunday** will be approximately ~0.5 nm west of Kahe Power Plant, with the line located between an orange inflatable buoy and the staff of an orange flag on the Main Race Committee Boat.
- 11.4. Boats starting later than 10 minutes after the last starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1. The finish line on **Saturday** will extend 100' seaward from KR2 and a point with approximate bearing of 035° magnetic. Yachts shall check in with Principal Race Officer Lyn Silva at 258-8199 or VHF 68, after passing Barbers Point on their final approach to the finish.
- 12.2. The finish line on **Sunday** will extend 100' seaward from **R2** and a point in the HYC club house with approximate bearing of 017° magnetic. Yachts shall check in with Race Committee on VHF 68 or by calling the principal race officer Lyn Silva at 258-8199 after passing Honolulu Harbor on their final approach to the finish.
- 12.3. Boats finishing after 1700 hours shall record their own finish time and report it to the Race Committee as soon as possible.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

Yachts that take a penalty or retire under RRS 44.1 shall file a written acknowledgement with the race committee prior to the protest time limit.

14. TIME LIMITS

There is no time limit for finishing the races.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1. Protest forms are available downstairs at HYC at Sailing Main Race Notice Board. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the race committee within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2. The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat in the race has finished.
- 15.3. Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of the time and location of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 15.4. Notices of protests by the race committee or the protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.5. A list of boats that, under instruction 13, have acknowledged taking a penalty or retiring, will be posted before the protest time limit.

16. ARBITRATION

Arbitration will be offered as described in the Standing Sailing Instructions.

17. SCORING

- 17.1. The low point system of Appendix A will apply as modified in the Standing Sailing Instructions.
- 17.2. Regatta will be scored on a combined corrected time.
- 17.3. In the event of a tie, RRS A7 will apply.

- 17.4. The PHRF handicap system will be in effect for all boats. Race handicaps will be calculated using the Time-on-Time method as adopted by HYRA.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1. **VHF Channel 68** is reserved for essential communications, otherwise yachts shall monitor VHF Channel 16.
- 18.2. Upon withdrawing from the race, yachts shall inform the race committee via **VHF Channel 68**, by voice hail, or by calling the principal race officer Lyn Silva at 258-8199. Failure to do so may result in denied entry to future races.

19. PRIZES

For each class, 1st prize will be awarded if three or more boats enter, 2nd prize will be awarded if five or more boats enter, and 3rd prize will be awarded if seven or more boats enter.

20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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 race.

21. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per event or the equivalent.