

SANTA CRUZ YACHT CLUB
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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SCYC 2014 Commodore's Regatta

Saturday, April 5, 2014

1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing, and the Monterey Bay PHRF guidelines.
- 1.2 All competitors are required to wear government approved personal flotation devices while racing, regardless of whether or not the "Y" flag is displayed. This modifies RRS 40.

2 Notices to Competitors

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the SCYC Official Notice Board, located in the window opposite the bar at the northeast corner of the SCYC clubhouse.
- 2.2 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SCYC clubhouse deck. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than sixty minutes (60) after AP is lowered.
- 2.3 On the water the Race Committee may use VHF channel 68 for communication.
- 2.4 Yachts retiring from the race are requested to notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

3 Schedule

- 3.1 One race is scheduled.
- 3.2 A competitors' briefing is scheduled at the SCYC clubhouse for Saturday, April 5, 2014, at 1100 hrs.
- 3.3 Changes to the Sailing Instructions, if any, will be posted no later than 1130 hours.
- 3.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal is 1255 hours.
- 3.5 An awards ceremony will take place at the SCYC clubhouse following the regatta.

4 Racing Area

Racing will be around buoy-enclosed courses between Capitola and Natural Bridges.

5 Courses

- 5.1 The courses and marks are described in appendix A.
- 5.2 The course will be designated with a numerical pennant.
- 5.3 The Race Committee may substitute an orange tetrahedron for a missing mark at its discretion.

6 The Start

- 6.1 The class flag shall be code Flag F.
- 6.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and a starting mark. The starting mark is the SCYC Start / Finish yellow sphere.
- 6.3 A boat shall not start later than 10 minutes after her prescribed starting time.
- 6.4 Between a boat's preparatory signal and her start, she shall not hoist any part of her spinnaker higher than the main-boom gooseneck.

7 Starting Sequence

- 7.1 This is a reverse-handicap race. Yachts will be started in reverse order of their PHRF handicap rating, with the slower rated boats starting at specified times ahead of faster rated boats. Attachment B contains the start times by handicap for each of the courses.
- 7.2 There will be one warning signal, one preparatory signal, one-minute signal, and one starting signal. Thereafter, no additional signals will be given. Yachts must start at time intervals specified in Attachment B. This changes RRS 26.
- 7.3 For the purpose of complying with RRS 42.1 and the RRS definition of *racing*, each yacht's preparatory signal is deemed to take place four minutes before her prescribed starting time.
- 7.4 The race committee, at its discretion, may respond to inquiries or volunteer information regarding starting times and OCS status. This changes RRS 41. The failure of a hail, the timeliness of hails, and the failure to hear a hail shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

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8 Recalls

8.1 Recalls will not be signaled. Boats on the course side of the starting line at their prescribed starting time that fail to restart properly, shall have 15 minutes added to their finish time: except that boats who start more than five minutes prior to their prescribed starting time and fail to start properly shall be scored OCS. This changes RRS 29.1.

9 The finish

9.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee signal boat and the SCYC Start / Finish yellow sphere.

10 Time Limit

10.1 The time limit will be 1630 hours. Boats failing to finish before the time limit will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

11 Protests

11.1 Protest forms will be available at the SCYC regatta shed. Protests and requests for redress shall be lodged with the race committee within 60 minutes after the docking of the Race committee signal boat. This time limit will be posted on the official regatta notice board.

11.2 The time and place of all protest hearing(s), the boat(s) protesting, the boat(s) being protested and boat(s) requesting redress will be posted on the official regatta notice board within 120 minutes after the docking of the race committee signal boat. This shall serve as notification as per RRS 63.2.

12 Scoring

12.1 One race shall constitute a regatta.

12.2 No scores will be excluded. This changes RRS A2.

13 Division Assignments

A Fleet	Monohulls with PHRF ratings 88 and lower
B Fleet	Monohulls with PHRF ratings 89 and above
Double handed	
Jib & Main < 182	Monohulls with PHRF ratings less than 181
Jib & Main >181	Monohulls with PHRF ratings of 181 and greater

15 Prizes

15.1 Prizes will be awarded to each division for first place and additional places based upon the number of entries at the discretion of the organizing authority.

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Appendix A – Marks & Courses

Mark Description

Mark	Description	Latitude	Longitude
S/F	Unmarked Yellow Sphere	36°57.09' N	121°59.62' W
Wharf	Unmarked Yellow Sphere	36°56.87' N	122°01.24' W
Blacks	Unmarked Yellow Sphere	36°57.22' N	121°59.29' W
SC3	Yellow Cylinder marked SC 3	36°56.49' N	121°58.00' W

Course

Course	Course Description	Course Distance
1	S/F – Wharf p – SC3 p – Wharf p – SC3 p – Wharf p – S/F	13.10 nm
2	S/F – Wharf p – SC3 p - Wharf p – Blacks p – Wharf - S/F	11.06 nm
3	S/F – Wharf p – SC3 p – Wharf p – Blacks p – S/F	8.44 nm

p = port rounding, s = starboard rounding