



WOODIES INVITATIONAL

St. Francis Yacht Club

May 30- June 1, 2014

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1** The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2** RRS 40 is changed as follows: Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices while racing, except when below deck or briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.
- 1.3** For IOD Class: *Regulations Governing the International One Design Class, San Francisco Fleet* will apply.
- 1.4** Appendix T, Section A T1, shall apply as follows: the first two sentences of RRS 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 the starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.

2. ENTRIES

Eligible boats shall complete registration online (www.stfyc.com) prior to 1400 hours on Friday, May 30th.

3. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1** Official Notices will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located in the hallway adjacent to the side (Regatta) entrance of StFYC.
- 3.2** Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0945 hours on the day they are to take effect, except any changes to Sailing Instruction 4, Number & Schedule of Races, will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before they take effect.
- 3.3** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the StFYC Race Deck.
- 3.4** When signal flag AP is displayed from the race deck, the time for the warning signal will be made no earlier than 30 minutes after the lowering of the AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.
- 3.5** Questions regarding the Sailing Instructions may be submitted in writing to the Race Committee. Questions and written responses will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board.
- 3.6** Race Committee communications will take place on VHF channel 69.
- 3.7** The intended warning time for Race 3 will be communicated verbally at the BBQ lunch.

4. NUMBER & SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1** For all classes, five races are scheduled in the series as follows:

<u>RACE</u>	<u>DAY & DATE</u>	<u>TIME OF FIRST WARNING SIGNAL</u>
1	Friday, May 30 th	1800 hours
2	Saturday, May 31 st	1100 hours
3	Saturday, May 31 st	Immediately following BBQ Lunch
4	Sunday, June 1 st	1100 hours (see SI 3.7)
5	Sunday, June 1 st	Immediately Following Race 5

- 4.2** There will be a BBQ Lunch following the first race on Saturday, May 31st at StFYC.

5. RACING AREA

Races will be conducted on the San Francisco City Front.

6. COURSES & MARKS

- 6.1** The courses and marks are described in Attachment A – Official Description of Marks and Courses.
- 6.2** No later than the Warning Signal, a placard designating the course will be displayed from the Signal Boat.

- 6.3** No later than the Warning Signal, a flag designating the mark rounding direction will be displayed from the Signal Boat. If a red flag is displayed, all marks except for mark 3g shall be rounded to port. If a green flag is displayed, all marks except for mark 3g shall be rounded to starboard.
- 7. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS**
- 7.1** For safety reasons, each of the lines bounded by the following two points is an obstruction:
- (a) The northern end of the SF Marina entrance Wave Attenuator and the closest point ashore.
 - (b) The southern end of the SF Marina entrance Wave Attenuator and the closest point ashore.
 - (c) The "H" Beam piling (located approximately 200 yards west of the St. Francis YC) and the closest point ashore.
 - (d) **Anita Rock Light** located approximately 0.30nm West of StFYC ("Anita Rock" Q 20ft 5M), **and a yellow buoy marked "AR"** (located approximately 100 yards northwest of the Anita Rock Light).
- 7.2** Boats are prohibited from sailing across any of these lines while racing.
- 8. THE START**
- 8.1** The intended starting area will be on the City Front between Aquatic Park and St. Francis Yacht Club.
- 8.2** The Starting Line will be between a staff displaying an orange and yellow striped flag on the Starting Line Signal Boat and a red inflatable cone, OR an orange and yellow striped flag on the pin boat.
- 8.3** A boat that starts later than 4 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored DNS. This changes RRS 35.
- 8.4** Class Flags will be the black class insignia on a white rectangular background.
- 8.5** The intended starting order for the first race of each day shall be IOD, Knarr, Folkboat and Bird. Subsequent races may be started in any order.
- 9. RECALLS**
- The Race Committee may hail the sail number(s) of the boat(s) identified on the course side of the starting line after the starting signal. The failure of a hail, the failure of a boat hearing the hail or the order of the hails shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 10 THE FINISH**
- 10.1** **For races 1 and 2**, the Finish Line will be between StFYC outer mark "A" and a yellow placard on the StFYC Race Deck. StFYC inner mark "B" must be left to the south while finishing.
- 10.2** **For races 3 through 5**, for courses **with upwind finishes**, the finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange and yellow striped flag on a Race Committee boat and an orange buoy located approximately 200 yards upwind of Mark 1.
- 10.3** **For races 3 through 5**, for courses **with downwind finishes**, the finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange and yellow striped flag on the Starting Line Signal Boat and an orange buoy, opposite the starting line.
- 11. TIME LIMIT FOR EACH RACE**
- 11.1** Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in her class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.
- 11.2** The time limit for each race is 2 hours.
- 12. COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC, SAFETY**
- 12.1** As stated in the RRS preamble to the Part 2 rules, when a boat sailing under these rules meets a vessel that is not, she shall comply with the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) or government right-of-way rules. This supplements, but does not replace the rules of Part 2.
- 12.2** If a commercial vessel has sounded five blasts, and/or the vessel or the Coast Guard identifies an offending boat, the Race Committee shall protest the boat, in which case the Protest Committee shall assume that the identified boat has impeded passage or violated the U.S. Inland Navigation Rules, and the identified boat shall have the burden of proving otherwise. In the case of a complaint by a Vessel Traffic or the Coast Guard, the protest time limit shall be extended up to two days after the conclusion of the regatta. This changes RRS 60.2(a) and 61.3.
- 12.3** A Race Committee boat may signal a boat to alter course to avoid impeding the passage of commercial vessels by making a sound signal (horn or whistle) and pointing Code Flag V at the boat. The signaled boat shall promptly

comply with the signal unless compliance would create an unsafe condition. If a boat fails to comply with such a signal, the Race Committee shall protest the boat, in which case the Protest Committee shall assume that the course alteration would not have created an unsafe condition, and the protested boat shall have the burden of proving otherwise.

- 12.4** Boats may not take a penalty under rule 44 for breaking any part of this SI, and a resulting disqualification shall not be excludable under rule A2. The StFYC shall cooperate with and provide relevant information to the Coast Guard or other governmental authority regarding investigations of boats impeding ship traffic or violating U.S. Inland Navigation Rules (33 CFR 83).

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1** Protests and requests for redress shall be written on standard US SAILING Protest Forms. Protest forms are available at the StFYC Jury Desk.
- 13.2** Protests shall be lodged with a with a Protest Committee representative at the Jury Desk :60 minutes after the Race Committee Boat docks
- 13.3** Requests for redress based on incidents in the racing area shall be delivered to the Jury Desk, per SI 13.2. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 13.4** Other requests for redress shall be delivered as soon as reasonably possible after learning of the reason for making the request.
- 13.5** The protest/redress filing times will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board.
- 13.6** The time, place and parties to all protest and dress hearing(s) will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board within the filing time. This shall serve as notification as per RRS 63.2.
- 13.7** Any protests or requests for redress filed for race 1 will be scheduled for after racing on Saturday, May 30.
- 13.8** A request to reopen a hearing on the last day of racing must be delivered to the Front Desk of the StFYC within :60 minutes of the announcement of the Protest Committee's decision (oral or written). This changes RRS 66.

14. SCORING

- 14.1** One race must be completed to constitute a series.
- 14.2** Each boat's score will be the sum of her scores for all races. This changes RRS A2.

15. DISPOSAL OF WASTE & TRASH

Boats observed breaking RRS 55 are subject to protest only by the Race Committee or Protest Committee. The penalty for a breach of this rule, which may include disqualification from a race, is at the discretion of the Protest Committee. Discarding elastic or fiber bands or ties when setting a sail is permitted. This changes RRS 55, 60.1(a) and 64.1.

ATTACHMENT A
OFFICIAL DESCRIPTION OF MARKS AND COURSES

MARK	DESCRIPTION
1	Inflatable yellow buoy set as a Windward Mark
1o	Inflatable red buoy set as an Offset Mark
3g	Two inflatable yellow buoys set as a Leeward Gate (located approximately 200 yards upwind of the Starting Line) (If one mark is missing, the remaining mark shall be rounded in the same direction as the previous mark)
X	Yellow sphere "X" North of Golden Gate Yacht Club
6	Yellow can "M" 0.20nm North of Fort Mason Piers
16	Yellow sphere "TB" (Tom Blackaller) 0.45nm East of Fort Point
18	Green/Red "BR" Fl Bell buoy at Blossom Rock

COURSE	ROUNDING ORDER
A	Start → 1 → 1o → 3g → Finish (upwind)
B	Start → 1 → 1o → 3g → 1 → 1o → Finish (downwind)
C	Start → 1 → 1o → 3g → 1 → 1o → 3g → Finish (upwind)
D	Start → 16 → X → 16 → Finish (downwind)
E	Start → 16 → X → 16 → X → Finish (upwind)
F	Start → 16 → X → 16 → 6 → Finish (upwind)
G	Start → 16 → 6 → 16 → X → Finish (upwind)
H	Start → 16 → 6 → 16 → X → Finish (upwind)
I	Start → 16 → 6 → 1 → 1o → X → Finish (upwind)
J	Start → 1 → 1o → 18 → 1 → 1o → Finish (downwind)
K	Start → 1 → 1o → 18 → 1 → 1o → 3g → Finish (upwind)
<i>* Reference Sailing Instruction 6.3 for rounding direction</i>	