

St. Francis Yacht Club October 18-19, 2014

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- **1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 Racing rule 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.
- Appendix T1 will 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 one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while racing or rule 31. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty."

2 ENTRIES

Eligible boats shall complete registration online (www.stfyc.com) prior to 0945 hours on Saturday, October 18th.

3 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- **3.1** A Competitors' Meeting will be held at StFYC on Saturday, October 18th at 1030 hours.
- 3.2 Official Notices will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located in the hallway adjacent to the side (Regatta) entrance of StFYC.
- 3.3 Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted by 1000 hours on the day they are to take effect, except any changes to sailing instruction 4, Schedule, will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before they take effect.
- **3.4** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the StFYC Race Deck.
- 3.5 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.
- **3.6** 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.
- **3.7** Race committee communications will take place on VHF channel 71.

4 SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	TIME	<u>EVENT</u>
Saturday, October 18 th	1030	Skipper's Meeting
	1200	First Warning (3 races intended)
	After racing	Social at St. Francis Yacht Club
Sunday, October 19 th	1200	First warning (2 races intended)
	After racina	Social & Awards at St. Francis Yacht Club

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.
- 6.4 Mark 3g will be gate. In the event the gate is not in place, the single Mark 3g shall be rounded in the same direction as Mark 1.
- 6.5 New marks, as provided in SI 10 will be original mark color with a black band around it. When in a subsequent change of course a new mark will be replaced, it will be replaced with the original mark without the blank band.

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 0.30 NM West of StFYC ("Anita Rock" Q 20ft 5M), and a yellow buoy (or temporary orange buoy in its place) "AR" (located approximately 100 yards northwest of the Anita Rock Light).
 - (e) Anita Rock Light located approximately 0.30 NM West of StFYC ("Anita Rock" Q 20ft 5M), and the closest point ashore.
 - (f) Yellow buoy "AR" (located approximately 100 yards northwest of Anita Rock Light) and the closest point ashore.
 - (g) The Green/Red Bell Buoy off the west end of Alcatraz Island and Alcatraz Island.
 - (h) The South Tower of the Golden Gate Bridge and the closest point ashore.
 - (i) The Green Buoy (G"3") south of Point Blunt-Angel Island and the closest point ashore.
- **7.2** Boats are prohibited from sailing across any of these lines while racing.

8 THE START

- 8.1 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 a staff displaying an orange and yellow striped flag on the pin boat.
- **8.2** A boat that starts later than 4 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored DNS. This changes RRS 35.
- **8.3** Class flags will be a black or red class insignia on a white rectangular background.
- **8.4** The intended starting order for the first race of each day shall be Moore 24, Star, Mercury. 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 at 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 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) to a new position and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

11 THE FINISH

For courses 1, 2, and 3 the finish 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. For course 4 the finish line will be between StFYC Mark "A" and a placard displayed on the Race Deck of the StFYC Clubhouse ashore.

12 TIME LIMIT

- Boats failing to finish within 30 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.
- 12.2 The time limit for courses 1, 2 and 3 shall be 90 minutes. The time limit for course 4 shall expire at 1700 hours.

13 COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC, SAFETY

- 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.
- 13.2 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.

- 13.3 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.
- 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).

14 PROTESTS

- 14.1 Protest Forms are available at the St. Francis Yacht Club Jury Desk. Protests and requests for redress shall be lodged with the race committee Representative at the Jury Desk within 60 minutes after the race committee signal boat docks. The protest filing times will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board.
- 14.2 The time, place, and parties to all protest and redress hearing(s) will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board within 30 minutes after the close of filing time in 13.1 above. This shall serve as notification as per RRS 63.2.
- 14.3 A request to reopen a hearing on the last day of racing must be delivered to the Front Desk of the St. Francis Yacht Club within 60 minutes of the announcement of the Protest Committee's decision (oral or written). This changes RRS 66.

15 SCORING

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

16 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded based on participation.

ATTACHMENT A OFFICIAL DESCRIPTION OF MARKS AND COURSES

MARK	DESCRIPTION
1	Yellow inflatable cone set as a Windward Mark
10	Orange ball set as an offset to Mark 1
3g	Two inflatable yellow cones set as a gate
16	Yellow Can "TB" (Tom Blackaller) 0.45nm East of Fort Point
20	Red/Green Fl(2+1) R6s Bell (ocn) 0.60NM SW of Point Bonita
21	Green "1" FI G 6s east of Alcatraz (0.70NM @ 047°M from Alcatraz Light FI 5s 214ft 20M)

COURSE	ORDER
1	Start \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 10 \rightarrow Finish (SB)
2	Start \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 10 \rightarrow 3g \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 10 \rightarrow Finish (SB)
3	Start \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 10 \rightarrow 3g \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 10 \rightarrow 3g \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 10 \rightarrow Finish (SB)
4	Start → 20(p) → Finish (RD)

^{**}For courses 1-3, reference SI 6.3 for rounding direction**