



FALL DINGHY & OLYMPIC CLASSES REGATTA

St. Francis Yacht Club

October 20-21, 2012

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Competitors are required to wear life-jackets or other adequate personal flotation device. The “Y” flag will not be displayed. This changes RRS 40.
- 1.3 Formulas and Kiteboarders shall wear full wetsuits. Each Formula competitor will be issued a racing bib, which shall be worn during the race. The bibs shall be turned in to the Race Office after racing as a checkout procedure. Kiteboarders shall wear their assigned numbered jerseys.
- 1.4 Formula Boards must have sail numbers visible on all sails.

2. ENTRIES

Eligible boats shall complete registration online (www.stfyc.com) prior to 1000 hours on October 21, 2012.

3. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 A Competitors’ Meeting will be held at StFYC Saturday, October 21 at 1000 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 1015 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.
- 3.4 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the StFYC Race Deck. 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.

4. NUMBER & SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 Six races are scheduled for all classes, with three races on Saturday and three races on Sunday.
- 4.2 The scheduled time of the Warning Signal for the first race each day is 1130 hours.

5. RACING AREA

- 5.1 Two course venues will be used. The Alpha Course will be set on the San Francisco City Front. The Bravo Course will be set West of Alcatraz Island.
- 5.2 Laser Standards, Laser Radials, Formula Boards, and Kites will sail the Alpha Course.
- 5.3 505s, Finns, and Wetas will sail the Bravo Course.

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.

7. RESTRICTED AREAS

- 7.1 For safety reasons, each of the lines bounded by the following two points is an obstruction:
 - (a) The “H” Beam piling (located approximately 200 yards west of the St. Francis YC) and the closest point ashore.
 - (b) Anita Rock Light (Light List 4290) and the closest point ashore.
 - (c) Anita Rock Light (Light List 4290) and a yellow buoy marked “AR” (located approximately 100 yards northwest of the Anita Rock Light).
 - (d) The yellow buoy marked “AR” (located approximately 100 yards NW of Anita Rock Light) 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 port end (facing upwind) red/orange inflatable buoy.

8.2 A boat that starts later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS 35.

8.3 Class Flags:

505s:.....white flag with black class insignia
Finns:.....white flag with black class insignia
Formula Boards:.....white flag with a blue and red US Windsurfing logo
Kites:white flag with black class insignia
Laser Standards:.....white flag with a red class insignia
Laser Radial:white flag with a red class insignia
Wetas:white flag with black class insignia

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, by loud hailer. 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 courses E and F, the finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange and yellow striped flag on a Race Committee boat and a port end (facing upwind) red/orange buoy located approximately 200 yards upwind of Mark 1.

10.2 For all other courses the finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange and yellow striped flag on the Starting Line Signal Boat and a port end (facing downwind) red/orange buoy, opposite the starting line.

11. TIME LIMIT FOR EACH RACE

11.1 The Time Limit for each race is 90 minutes. A boat failing to finish within 90 minutes, or within 30 minutes after the first boat in her class sails the course and finishes, will be scored DNF by the Race Committee. This changes RRS 35.

11.2 For the kiteboard class, a competitor failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first competitor sails the course shall be scored "Did Not Finish (DNF)" by the Race Committee. This changes RRS 35.

12. COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC, SAFETY

12.1 Boats shall not impede the passage of commercial vessels and shall comply with the U.S. Inland Navigation Rules Act of 1980.

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 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 A boat may be penalized independently under any paragraph of this SI. A violation of any part this sailing instruction shall not be exonerated by a Scoring Penalty, and a resulting disqualification shall not be excludable under RRS 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.

13. PROTESTS

13.1 Protests and requests for redress shall be written on Standard US SAILING Protest Forms. Protest Forms are available at the St. Francis Yacht Club Jury Desk. Protests and requests for redress shall be lodged with the Protest Committee Representative at the Jury Desk within 60 minutes after the hoisting of Flag B for all classes except kites and boards. For the kites and boards, protests and requests for redress shall be lodged within 60 minutes after the arrival of their Race Committee Signal Boat ashore. These time limits will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board.

13.2 The time and place of all protest hearing(s), the boat(s) protesting, boat(s) being protested and boat(s) requesting redress will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board not later than 30 minutes after the protest filing deadline established in SI 13.1. This shall serve as notification as required by RRS 63.2.

13.3 A request to reopen a hearing on the last day of racing must be delivered to the Front Desk within 60 minutes of the posting of the Protest Committee's decision (oral or written). This changes RRS 66.

14. DISPOSAL OF WASTE OR TRASH

No boat shall discharge trash of any kind into the San Francisco Bay. Any boat observed breaking this rule is 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. This changes RRS 60.1(a) and 64.1(a).

15. SCORING

15.1 One race must be completed to constitute a series.

15.2 If fewer than five races are completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. If five or more races are completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS Appendix A2.

16. PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded based upon class participation.

ADDITIONAL REGATTA INFORMATION (NOT A SAILING INSTRUCTION)

BERTHING, HAUL OUT & TRAILER STORAGE

- *Competitors' boats may be stored, free of charge, on the grass east of the StFYC clubhouse.*
- *In order to leave a trailer in the City parking lot overnight, competitors must obtain a parking permit from the StFYC Race Office Desk. Trailers without permits may be towed.*
- *All trailers shall be stored at the parking lot to the east of the StFYC clubhouse, or at the direction of the StFYC Dockmaster.*

ATTACHMENT A

OFFICIAL DESCRIPTION OF MARKS AND COURSES

MARK	DESCRIPTION
1	Inflatable yellow cone set as a Windward Mark
1o	Inflatable red cone set as an Offset Mark
2g	Two inflatable yellow cones set as a Leeward Gate (if one gate mark is not on station, the remaining mark shall be rounded in the same direction as the windward mark was rounded)

COURSE	ROUNDING ORDER
A	Start → 1(p) → 1o(p) → Finish (Downwind)
B	Start → 1(s) → 1o(s) → Finish (Downwind)
C	Start → 1(p) → 1o(p) → 2g → 1(p) → 1o(p) → Finish (Downwind)
D	Start → 1(s) → 1o(s) → 2g → 1(s) → 1o(s) → Finish (Downwind)
E	Start → 1(p) → 1o(p) → 2g → 1(p) → 1o(p) → 2g → Finish (Upwind)
F	Start → 1(s) → 1o(s) → 2g → 1(s) → 1o(s) → 2g → Finish (Upwind)
G	Start → 1(p) → 1o(p) → 2g → 1(p) → 1o(p) → 2g → 1(p) → 1o(p) → Finish (Downwind)
H	Start → 1(s) → 1o(s) → 2g → 1(s) → 1o(s) → 2g → 1(s) → 1o(s) → Finish (Downwind)
	(p) = to Port (s) = to Starboard



(port roundings assumed
in diagram)

