



FALL DINGHY REGATTA

Organizing Authority (OA): St. Francis Yacht Club

October 21-22, 2017

RACE VENUE 1 & 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. All competitors shall wear a PFD at all times while on the water, other than brief periods while adding or removing clothing. The 'Y' flag will not be flown. This changes RRS 40 and the preamble to Part 4.
- 1.3. RRS 48.2 is deleted.
- 1.4. US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.2 and 63.4 are deleted.

2. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board located in the hallway adjacent to the side (Regatta) entrance of StFYC.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions (SI) will be posted by 1100 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it takes effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the StFYC Race Deck.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than (30) thirty minutes'. This changes rule Race Signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE

Fleet	Race Venue	Competitors' Mtg Saturday Only	1 st Warning Signal Saturday & Sunday	Trophy Presentation Sunday
Opti, Laser Radial, Laser, C420	2	1015	1200	ASAP after racing
I14, 5o5, Nacra 15	1	1015	1200	ASAP after racing

- 5.1. Seven (7) races are scheduled, four (4) on Saturday and three (3) on Sunday.

6. RACING AREA

- 6.1. Race Venue 1: North of Fort Mason Nacra 15, I-14, 5o5
- 6.2. Race Venue 2: North of StFYC: C420, Laser, Radial, Optimist

7. COURSES & MARKS

- 7.1. The courses and marks are described in Attachment A – Official Description of Marks and Courses.
- 7.2. No later than the warning signal, the race committee will display:
 - a placard designating the course will be displayed from the signal boat;
 - a flag designating the mark rounding direction. If a red flag is displayed, all marks, except for a gate, shall be rounded to port. If a green flag is displayed, all marks except for a gate, shall be rounded to starboard.
- 7.3. Mark 3 will be a gate. In the event that the gate is not in place, the single mark 3 shall be rounded in the same direction as the previous mark.
- 7.4. Mark 1o and mark 2o are offset marks set to mark 1 and mark 2, respectively. In the event that mark 1o or mark 2o is not in place, the single windward mark 1 or mark 2 shall be rounded as designated by the red or green flag flown on the signal boat at the start.

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 an orange inflatable ball or an orange and yellow striped flag on a race committee boat.
- 8.2. A boat that starts later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.
- 8.3. The intended starting order for the first race of each day shall be as follows. Subsequent races may be started in any order.
 - a. Race Venue 1: North of Fort Mason: I-14, 5o5, Nacra 15
 - b. Race Venue 2: West of StFYC: C420, Laser, Radial, Optimist

9. CLASS FLAGS

Class Flag	Description
Laser Full Rig	Red class insignia on a white field
Laser Radial	Red class insignia on a green field
C420, 5o5, Nacra 15, I-14, Optimist	Black class insignia on a white field

10. RECALLS

As a courtesy, the race committee may attempt to hail On Course Side (OCS) boats via loud hailer. Failure to execute this hail or failure to receive it shall not relieve a boat of her sole obligation to start properly, nor shall it constitute an improper action or omission of the race committee under RRS 62.1(a).

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.
- 11.2. The race committee may change a leg of the course by up to five (5) degrees in bearing and/or 0.2nm in length without a signal. This changes RRS 33.

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1. For downwind finishes, the finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange and yellow striped flag on the starting line signal boat and a orange buoy, opposite the starting line.
- 12.2. For upwind finishes, the finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange and yellow striped flag on a race committee boat and a port-end white buoy, set approximately 200 yards upwind of mark 1.
- 12.3. A boat that retires from a race shall notify a race committee vessel before leaving the course, or, when that is impossible, immediately after arrival ashore.

13. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

Boats failing to finish within twenty (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.

14. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

Each line bound by the following two points is designated as an obstruction. Boats are prohibited from crossing any of these lines while racing.

- a. The southern end of the SF Marina entrance Wave Attenuator and the closest point ashore.
- b. The northern 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.

15. COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC, SAFETY

- 15.1. Racing occurs near active shipping channels. The race committee would like to call special attention to the preamble to RRS Part 2.
- 15.2. A race committee boat may signal a boat that is racing to alter course to avoid impeding the passage of commercial vessels by making a sound signal (horn or whistle) and pointing 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 this 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.

- 15.3. If a commercial vessel sounds five blasts at a boat which is racing, and/or the vessel or the USCG is subsequently able to identify the offending boat, the boat may be subject to protest. In the event the race committee files the protest, 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.
- 15.4. A boat may not take a penalty when she may have broken any part of this instruction. When a protest committee decides that a boat has broken rule in this instruction, the penalty shall be a disqualification that is not excludable.
- 15.5. 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).

16. PROTESTS

- 16.1. Protest forms are available at the jury desk located in the hallway adjacent to the side (regatta) entrance of StFYC. Protest and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.2. For each class, the protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the last finisher in each class; except in the case of a complaint by Vessel Traffic or the USCG. This time will be posted. This constitutes the time limit mentioned in the first sentence of RRS 61.3.
- 16.3. In the event of a complaint by Vessel Traffic or the USCG, the protest time limit will be extended up to two (2) days after the conclusion of the regatta. This changes RRS 60.2(a) and RRS 61.3.
- 16.4. The protest committee will hear protests and requests for redress as soon as possible and in the order it determines. The hearing schedule will be posted no later than thirty (30) minutes after the close of protest time. This constitutes the notification required by RRS 63.2.
- 16.5. Notices of any other protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will also be posted. This constitutes the notification required by RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.6. It is the sole responsibility of each boat involved to be ready and have witnesses available when the hearing is called.
- 16.7. If the race committee posts a list of boats scored OCS, ZFP, UFP, or BFD on the official notice boat before the protest time limit, a request for redress based on such a posted score shall be made no later than sixty (60) minutes after the protest time limit. This changes the first sentence of RRS 62.2.
- 16.8. On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress on a protest committee decision, or a request to reopen a hearing, shall be delivered no later than sixty (60) minutes after the decision was announced, either written or orally. This changes RRS 62.2 and RRS 66.

17. SCORING

- 17.1. One race will constitute a series.
- 17.2. When four (4) or fewer races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 17.3. When five (5) or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS A2.

ATTACHMENT A - OFFICIAL DESCRIPTION OF MARKS AND COURSES

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MARK	DESCRIPTION
1	Inflatable yellow cone set as a long windward mark
1o	Inflatable orange ball set as an offset mark to mark 1
2	Inflatable red cone set as a short windward mark set to leeward of mark 1
2o	Inflatable orange ball set as an offset mark to mark 2
3s/3p	Two inflatable yellow cones set as a leeward gate above the start/finish line

COURSE	ROUNDING ORDER										
1	Start →	1→	1o→	3s/3p→	1→	1o→					Finish (downwind)
2	Start →	2→	2o→	3s/3p→	2→	2o→					Finish (downwind)
3	Start →	1→	1o→	3s/3p→	1→	1o→	3s/3p→	1→	1o→		Finish (downwind)
4	Start →	2→	2o→	3s/3p→	2→	2o→	3s/3p→	2→	2o→		Finish (downwind)
5	Start →	1→	1o→	3s/3p→							Finish (upwind)
6	Start →	2→	2o→	3s/3p→							Finish (upwind)
7	Start →	1→	1o→	3s/3p→	1→	1o→	3s/3p→				Finish (upwind)
8	Start →	2→	2o→	3s/3p→	2→	2o→	3s/3p→				Finish (upwind)