



ELVSTROM ZELLERBACH REGATTA

St. Francis Yacht Club

May 5-6, 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 in all fleets except Formula and Kite are required to wear life-jackets or other adequate personal flotation device while racing. The "Y" flag will not be displayed. This changes RRS 40.

2. ENTRIES

Eligible boats shall complete registration online (www.stfyc.com) prior to 1000 hours on May 5th.

3. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 A Competitors' Meeting will be held at StFYC Saturday, May 5th 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 Eight races are scheduled for the Moth, Formula and Kite classes, with four on Saturday and four on Sunday. Six races are scheduled for all other classes, with three on Saturday and three on Sunday.
- 4.2 The scheduled time of the Warning Signal for the first race each day is 1100 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 Moths, 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 Boats shall not pass through the areas bound by the "H" Beam (located approximately 200 yards west of the StFYC) and the closest point ashore.
- 7.2 Boats may not pass between Anita Rock and its buoy.
- 7.3 Boats may not pass between Alcatraz Island and the green "Little Alcatraz" buoy located immediately West of Alcatraz Island.
- 7.4 The above-mentioned areas are defined as obstructions.
- 7.5 A boat that breaks this rule may not correct her error per RRS 28.1 and shall retire. This changes RRS 28.1.

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
Wetas:.....white flag with black class insignia
Moths:.....white flag with black "A"
Laser Standards:....white flag with a red class insignia
Laser Radial:.....green flag with a red class insignia
Formula boards:....white flag with a blue and red US Windsurfing logo
Kites: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 C and D, 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

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.

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 arrival of the Race Committee Signal Boat ashore. This time limit 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 Jury 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)

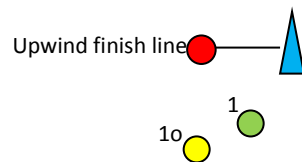
BERTHING, HAUL OUT & TRAILER STORAGE

- *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 buoy set as a Windward Mark
1o	Inflatable red buoy set as an Offset Mark
2g	Two inflatable yellow buoys set as a Leeward Gate (boats must pass between the two gate marks) (if one gate mark is not on station, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port)

COURSE	ROUNDING ORDER
A	Start → 1(p) → 1o(p) → 2g → 1(p) → 1o(p) → Finish (Downwind)
B	Start → 1(s) → 1o(s) → 2g → 1(s) → 1o(s) → Finish (Downwind)
C	Start → 1(p) → 1o(p) → 2g → 1(p) → 1o(p) → 2g → Finish (Upwind)
D	Start → 1(s) → 1o(s) → 2g → 1(s) → 1o(s) → 2g → Finish (Upwind)
E	Start → 1(p) → 1o(p) → 2g → 1(p) → 1o(p) → 2g → 1(p) → 1o(p) → Finish (Downwind)
F	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)

