



FALL DINGHY & OLYMPIC CLASSES REGATTA

St. Francis Yacht Club

October 26-27, 2013

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 Competitors in all fleets except Kiteboard shall wear personal flotation. 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 Competitors in the Kiteboard class shall wear wetsuits with a minimum thickness of 3/2mm, which cover the knees and have short sleeves as minimum coverage.
- 1.4 Kiteboarders shall wear their assigned numbered jerseys.

2. ENTRIES

Eligible boats shall complete registration online (www.stfyc.com) prior to 1000 hours on October 26, 2013.

3. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 A Competitors' Meeting will be held at StFYC on Saturday, October 26 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.
- 3.6 Oral changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made on the water. A change is in effect when the RC signal boat displays code flag L over A with one sound signal. This means "come within hail" of the RC Signal Boat to receive oral changes to the Sailing Instructions. The Race Committee may give oral changes to the Sailing Instructions to each boat by VHF or loud hailer and require acknowledgement.

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 intended course venues will be used. ALPHA Course will be set on the San Francisco City Front. BRAVO Course will be set West of Alcatraz Island.
- 5.2 29ers, 420s, Kites, and Laser Radials will sail the Alpha Course.
- 5.3 505s, Finns, and Laser Standards 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 SF Marina entrance Wave Attenuator and the closest point ashore.
 - b) The "H" Beam piling (located approximately 200 yards west of the St. Francis YC) and the closest point ashore.
 - c) Anita Rock Light and a yellow buoy "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 Starting Line will be between a staff displaying an orange and yellow striped flag on the Starting Line Signal Boat and an orange ball OR an orange and yellow striped flag on the pin boat.
- 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
 - 29ers: white flag with black class insignia
 - Kites: white flag with black class insignia
 - Laser Standards: white flag with red class insignia
 - Laser Radial: green flag with red class insignia
 - 420s: white flag with black class insignia

9. RECALLS

- 9.1** 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 or VHF. 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** 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) white ball, opposite the Starting Line.

11. TIME LIMIT

- 11.1** The Time Limit for each race for all classes except Kiteboard will be 90 minutes. For all classes except Kiteboard, boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in her class will be scored "DNF" by the Race Committee. The Time Limit for each race for the Kiteboard class is 30 minutes; kites failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first kiter in their class 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. For all fleets, 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 for their course docks. The protest filing times will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board.
- 13.2** 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 15.1 above. This shall serve as notification as per RRS 63.2.
- 13.3** 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.

14. SCORING

- 14.1** One race must be completed to constitute a series.

14.2 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.

15. PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded based upon class participation.

ADDITIONAL REGATTA INFORMATION

BERTHING, HAUL OUT & TRAILER STORAGE

- *All boats competing in the event may be stored free of charge at StFYC one night prior to the beginning of racing and one night after racing concludes.*
- *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 orange ball set as an Offset Mark
2	Inflatable red cone set as a Windward Mark to weather of Mark 1
3g	Two inflatable yellow cones set as a Leeward Gate to weather of the Start/Finish Line (if one gate mark is not on station, the remaining mark shall be rounded in the same direction as the windward mark was rounded)
4	Inflatable red cone set as a Leeward Mark to leeward of the Start/Finish Line

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) → 3g → 1(p) → 1o(p) → Finish (Downwind)
D	Start → 1(s) → 1o(s) → 3g → 1(s) → 1o(s) → Finish (Downwind)
E	Start → 1(p) → 1o(p) → 3g → 1(p) → 1o(p) → 3g → 1(p) → 1o(p) → Finish (Downwind)
F	Start → 1(s) → 1o(s) → 3g → 1(s) → 1o(s) → 3g → 1(s) → 1o(s) → Finish (Downwind)
G	Start → 2(p) → 4(p) → 2(p) → Finish (Downwind)
H	Start → 2(s) → 4(s) → 2(s) → Finish (Downwind)
	(p) = to Port (s) = to Starboard

(port roundings assumed
in diagram)

