



SPRING ONE DESIGN INVITATIONAL

St. Francis Yacht Club

March 15-16, 2014

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 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 For J-105 One Design: Fleet 1 Articles of Association are in effect.
- 1.4 For all fleets, the first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to: A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than the starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.

2. ENTRIES

- 2.1 Eligible boats shall complete registration online (www.stfyc.com) prior to 0930 hours on March 15, 2014.

3. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 A Competitors' Meeting will be held at StFYC on Saturday at 0930 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 - 15 minutes after the Competitors meeting on Saturday and by 0945 hours on Sunday, 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 shall be submitted in writing to the Race Committee. Questions and written responses will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board.
- 3.6 Race Committee communications will take place on VHF channel 69.

4. NUMBER & SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 For all classes except the Express 27 class, five races are scheduled in the series as follows:

<i>RACE</i>	<i>DAY & DATE</i>	<i>TIME OF FIRST WARNING SIGNAL</i>
1	Saturday, March 15	1100 Hours
2	Saturday, March 15	Immediately Following Race 1
3	Saturday, March 15	Immediately Following Race 2
4	Sunday, March 16	1100 Hours
5	Sunday, March 16	Immediately Following Race 4

- 4.2 Four races are intended for the Express 27 class, with a distance race on Sunday.

5. RACING AREA

- 5.1 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.

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).
 - d) Anita Rock Light and the closest point ashore.
 - e) The yellow buoy “AR” (located approximately 100 yards NW of Anita Rock Light) and the closest point ashore.
 - f) The Green/Red Bell Buoy off the west end of Alcatraz Island and Alcatraz Island.
- 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** The class flag for all classes except the Open 5.70 class will be a white flag with black class insignia. The class flag for the Open 5.70 class will be a white flag with a black letter “A”.
- 8.3** A boat shall not start later than 4 minutes after her starting signal. A boat that starts later than 4 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored DNS. This changes RRS 35.

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 at the starting signal by loud hailer and/or radio. 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 with upwind finishes, the finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange and yellow striped flag on a Race Committee boat and an orange buoy located approximately 200 yards upwind of Mark 1.
- 10.2** For courses with downwind finishes, the finishing 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.

11. TIME LIMIT FOR EACH RACE

- 11.1** The Time Limit for each race will be 2 hours. A boat failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in her class will be scored “Did Not Finish”(DNF) by the Race Committee. This changes RRS 35.

12. COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC, SAFETY

- 12.1** 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..
- 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 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.
- 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** 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).

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 located in the hallway adjacent to the side (Regatta) entrance of StFYC. Protests and requests for redress shall be lodged with the Race 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 within 90 minutes after the arrival of the Race Committee Signal Boat ashore. 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 posting 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. Each boat's score will be the sum of her scores for all races. This changes RRS A2.

15. DISPOSAL OF WASTE OR TRASH

- 15.1** Boats observed breaking RRS 55 are 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. Discarding elastic or fiber bands or ties when setting a sail is permitted. This changes RRS 55, 60.1(a) and 64.1.

16. PRIZES

- 16.1** Trophies will be awarded based upon class participation.

Additional Regatta Information

BERTHING, HAUL OUT & TRAILER STORAGE

- Competitor's Boats may be moored, free of charge, at the StFYC Guest Docks during regatta race days.
- All boats shall remain in the water from the Warning Signal of their first race through completion of their final race. Boats shall not be hauled without prior written permission from the Race Committee. Careening and dive-cleaning is not permitted during the regatta.
- If you plan on leaving a trailer in the City parking lot, an overnight parking permit must be obtained from the StFYC Race Office Desk (trailers without permit 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 Dock Master.

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
2	Inflatable red cone set as a Windward Mark
2o	Inflatable orange ball set as an Offset Mark
3g	Two inflatable yellow cones set as a Leeward Gate If one mark is missing the remaining mark shall be rounded in the same direction as the windward mark.
PB	RG Fl(2+1) R6s Bell (ocn), 0.60nm SW of Point Bonita

COURSE	ROUNDING ORDER							
A	Start-->	1-->	1o-->	3g-->				Finish (upwind)
B	Start-->	2-->	2o-->	3g-->				Finish (upwind)
C	Start-->	1-->	1o-->	3g-->	1-->	1o-->	3g-->	Finish (upwind)
D	Start-->	2-->	2o-->	3g-->	2-->	2o-->	3g-->	Finish (upwind)
E	Start-->	1-->	1o-->	3g-->	2-->	2o-->	3g-->	Finish (upwind)
F	Start-->	1-->	1o-->	3g-->	1-->	1o-->		Finish (downwind)
G	Start-->	1-->	1o-->					Finish (downwind)
H	Start-->	2-->	2o-->	3g-->	2-->	2o-->		Finish (downwind)
I	Start-->	2-->	2o-->					Finish (downwind)
J	Start-->	PB-->	3g-->	1-->	1o-->			Finish (downwind)

*** Reference Sailing Instruction 6.3 for rounding direction**