



2016 FRIDAY NIGHT WINDSURFING SERIES

St. Francis Yacht Club

April 8 & 22, May 6, June 17, July 22, August 12, September 9 & 23

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including Appendix B - Windsurfing Competition Rules, except as any of these are altered by the notice of race and these sailing instructions

2. ENTRIES

Eligible sailors shall complete registration online (www.stfyc.com) prior to racing.

3. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

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

3.2 Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted by 1600 hours on the day they are to take effect.

3.3 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. SCHEDULE OF RACES

4.1 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1730 hours.

4.2 Racing will be held on the following dates: April 8 & 22, May 6, June 17, July 22, August 12, September 9 & 23

5. RACING AREA

Races will be conducted on the San Francisco City Front.

6. COURSES

The race committee will announce the course to be sailed on the PA before the warning signal.

Course A: Start → Anita Rock(p) → X(s) → Finish

Course B: Start → Anita Rock(p) → B(p) → X(s) → Finish

Course C: Start → Anita Rock(p) → A(s) → B(p) → X(s) → Finish

Course D: Start → Anita Rock(p) → B(p) → A(s) → X(p) → Finish

Course E: Start → Anita Rock(p) → A(p) → X(s) → Finish

*If any of the above marks are off station, they will be substituted with a round orange buoy.

7. THE START

7.1 The starting line is between the StFYC "A" (outer) and "B" (inner) buoys. If either of these buoys are off station, an orange inflatable buoy will be in its place.

7.2 A competitor shall not start later than 4 minutes after her starting signal. A competitor that starts later than 4 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored DNS. This changes RRS 35.

7.3 The starting sequence shall consist of the following sound signals made at the indicated times:

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Sound</i>	<i>Time before Start</i>
Warning	One	5 minutes
Preparatory	One	4 minutes
	One Long	1 minute
Starting	One	0

No visual signals will be used. Audible signals shall govern. This changes RRS 26.

- 7.4 Individual recalls shall be signaled by the hail of the sail number (or some other clearly distinguishing feature) of each recalled boat. Flag X need not be displayed. This changes RRS 29.
8. **THE FINISH**
The finish line is between the StFYC "A" (outer) and "B" (inner) buoys. If either of these buoys are off station, an orange inflatable buoy will be in its place.
9. **TIME LIMIT FOR EACH RACE**
- 9.1 Competitors failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first competitor sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.
- 9.2 The time limit for each race is 30 minutes.
10. **PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**
- 10.1 Protests and requests for redress shall be written on Standard US SAILING Protest Forms. Protest Forms are available at the StFYC Race Office, and shall be lodged with the Race Office within 60 minutes of the finish of the last board in the last race of the day. This time limit will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 10.2 The protest committee will attempt to hear protests upon completion of the next scheduled Friday night's races. The time and place of hearing will be emailed to all involved parties.
- 10.3 A request to reopen a hearing must be delivered to the Front Desk of StFYC within 30 minutes of the parties to the protest receiving the Jury's decision (oral or written). This changes RRS 66.
11. **NIGHTLY SCORING**
- 11.1 One race must be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.2 If five races or more are completed, a competitor may discard her worst score (per B8.2).
- 11.3 The Scoring System described in **Appendix B** will be used as modified below.
DNF (Did Not Finish) = Number of Starters + 1
DNS (Did Not Start) = Number of Starters + 1
DSQ (Disqualified) = Number of Starters + 2
RAF (Retired After Finish) = Number of Starters + 1
DNC (Did Not Compete) = Total Number of Series Registrants + 1
12. **SEASON SCORING**
- 12.1 Competitors must register and pay for the entire series by **May 6, 2016** to be eligible for overall series scoring. Competitors registered for the Season Series shall serve one evening as a race committee volunteer to be eligible for overall series scoring. **The limit for race committee is one person per evening on a first call and/or e-mail basis.** Sign up for Windsurf Race Committee [here](#).
- 12.2 **Throw-outs** - There will be three throw-out evenings for the Season Series. One throw-out shall be used as a race committee volunteer.
13. **DISPOSAL OF WASTE OR TRASH**
No competitor shall discharge trash of any kind into the San Francisco Bay. Any competitor 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 rules 60.1(a) and 64.1(a).
14. **PRIZES**
Prizes will be awarded at the end of series based on participation.