

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

November 8, November 22 & December 6, 2009

Organizing Authority - San Diego Yacht Club



1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. Boats shall sail in a single configuration for all three races. Boats without a current PHRF Certificate or established rating or boats intending to sail in a configuration outside of that recognized by a one design class or PHRF certificate shall disclose those alterations at the time they register for the event that would merit consideration by those establishing the ratings per NOR 1.4.
- 1.3. All yachts will be assigned a rating by the Hot Rum Rating Committee (HRRC). The HRRC will reference, in order of availability, a boat's PHRF San Diego Random Leg Course (RLC) Rating, her PHRF SoCal RLC Rating or a PHRF Base Handicap Rating. If none of the above are available, or deemed suitable, the HRRC will assign a rating based on best available information. All competitors are asked to observe USCG Navigational Rule 9, which in part reads "A ... sailing vessel shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway."
- 1.4. Further, USCG Navigational Rule 34, in part reads "...When vessels in sight of one another...is in doubt whether sufficient action is being taken by the other to avoid collision, the vessel in doubt shall immediately indicate such doubt by giving at least five short and rapid blasts on the (horn)."
Any boat participating in the Hot Rum that is identified in any complaint from the Coast Guard, Harbor Pilot or Commercial vessel captain that has sounded five horns will be presumed to have infringed this instruction.
RRS 60.2, 63.1 and A5 are modified to add that the Race Committee (R/C) may disqualify a yacht infringing this instruction without a hearing.
- 1.5. *Race Committee chase boats may patrol the race course and hail boats to alter course to avoid commercial traffic. RRS 60.2, 63.1 and A5 are modified to add that the Race Committee (R/C) may disqualify a yacht infringing this instruction without a hearing.*
- 1.6. **NAVAL and CRUISE SHIP PROTECTION ZONE:** The Naval AND Cruise Ship Protection Zone is a 500 yard regulated area of water surrounding all US Naval and Cruise Ship Vessels. All vessels within 500 yards of such vessel shall operate at the minimum speed necessary to maintain safe course and speed and shall proceed as directed by any official patrol. **NO VESSEL IS ALLOWED WITHIN 100 YARDS OF SUCH VESSEL.**
- 1.7. RRS 44.1 is modified to allow a One turn penalty instead of Two Turns penalty.
- 1.8. Per RRS 42.3 (h) – boats may use propulsion to avoid situations described in 1.4, 1.5 and 1.6 provided in doing so they gain no advantage on the course.
- 1.9. Any rules governing the participation of Marine Industry Representatives are waived.

2. CLASSES

- 2.1. Each class will be designated by a different numeral pennant corresponding to their class breaks assigned on the Hot Rum Start Times sheet. The class breaks and the class you are racing in have NO correlation to Official PHRF Class Breaks. If you are unsure of your class, contact the Sailing Office at 619-758-6310 or check the "Start Time" list. The classes to compete shall include the following:

Hot Rum Class	BACKSTAY PENNANT
Class 1 (</= 30)	Numeral Pennant "1"
Class 2 (33 – 69)	Numeral Pennant "2"
Class 3 (72 – 96)	Numeral Pennant "3"
Class 4 (99 – 147)	Numeral Pennant "4"
Class 5 (150 – 228)	Numeral Pennant "5"
Class 6 – All Non-Spinnaker	Numeral Pennant "6"

- 2.2. Competitors shall supply their own numeral pennant.
 2.3. Official class breaks are established by the Sailing Office and posted at SDYC by 1700 Friday, November 6, 2009. Provisional breaks MAY be posted earlier.

3. ENTRIES

- 3.1. Eligible yachts shall be entered as detailed in Section 3 of the NOR.
 3.2. **Entries CLOSE @ 1700 on Friday, November 6, 2009.**
ENTRIES FOR THE FIRST RACE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED AFTER THAT TIME.
 3.3. Entries submitted after the completion of the first race should be received by the Sailing Office prior to 1700 of the Wednesday before the next race. **Entry fees will not be pro-rated.**

4. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notice to competitors will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located on the Spinnaker Deck. Provisional information may be posted on the club's website at www.sdyc.org/raceinfo.

5. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTION

Any changes to these sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board not later than 1000 on the day of the race to which such changes apply. At the same time, Code Flag "L" over "A", accompanied by a sound signal, will be displayed.

6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SDYC flagpole.

7. SCHEDULE OF RACES:

RACE DAY	DATE	WARNING SIGNAL for 1 st Start
Race 1	Sunday, November 8	1155
Race 2	Sunday, November 22	1155
Race 3	Sunday, December 6	1155

NOTE: The official time for Race Committee will be taken from GPS - Pacific Standard time.

8. START/FINISH AREA

The start/finish area will be located in the vicinity of San Diego (SD) Channel Buoy #17.

9. MARKS for Course 1

Mark 1: A yellow inflatable cylinder, located in the vicinity of SD Channel Buoy #17.

Mark 2: A yellow inflatable mark, located approx. 200 yards west of SD Channel Buoy #3.

Mark 3: A yellow inflatable mark, located approx. 2.0 Nm from SD Channel Buoy #3 bearing of 070° mag.

Mark 4: A yellow inflatable mark, located approx. 0.3 Nm from Mark 3 on a bearing of 000° mag.

Mark 5: A yellow inflatable mark, located approx. 200 yards east of SD Channel Buoy #6.

MARKS for Course 2

Mark 1: A yellow inflatable cylinder, located in the vicinity of SD Channel Buoy #17.

Mark 6: A yellow inflatable mark, located approx. 100 yards east of SD Channel Buoy #12

Mark 7: A yellow inflatable mark, located approx. 100 yards east of Glorietta Channel Buoy #G 1

10. THE COURSE

10.1. Course #1 (Default course unless noted per 10.2)

Start; Mark 2 to port; Mark 3 to port * Mark 4 to port * Mark 5 to starboard * Finish

Handicap distance is approximately 11.3 Nm.

10.2. Course #2 (severe weather course), will be noted at Check In *and* on Signal boat as "Course 2"

Start * Mark 6 to port * Mark 7 to port * Finish

Handicap distance is approximately 11.3 Nm.

10.3. In the event Mark 1 (in vicinity of SD#17), Mark 2 (in vicinity of SD#3) or Mark 5 (in vicinity of SD #6), Mark 6 (vicinity of SD 12) or Mark 7 (vicinity of G 1) are missing, the noted corresponding SD Channel marker in vicinity should be substituted for the missing mark.

11. CHECK-IN

11.1. *Check-in will be required for all participants prior to each day's race.* A separate vessel displaying a "Check In" flag over the "L" flag located between the Shelter Island FISHING PIER and Shelter Island BOAT RAMP (*approximately .5 nm bearing 015 deg. mag from the start line/SD#17*). This will be the ONLY designated check in vessel. **No radio check-in will be accepted.**

11.2. Prior to a yacht's Preparatory Signal, she shall check-in with, and be recognized by the Race Committee (R/C) Check in Vessel. Yachts should pass close aboard on starboard tack and hail their sail number. When a boat has been recognized, the R/C will hail the boat's sail number in return.

11.3. Yachts are *encouraged* to check in a minimum of 15 minutes prior to their **Preparatory Signal as described in SI 12.7. Yachts failing to check in prior to their Preparatory Signal will be scored DNC (see SI 18.2).** Action under this section constitutes rejection of the entry under RRS 76.1.

12. THE START

12.1. Races will start in accordance with RRS 26, except as modified by these Sailing Instructions.

12.2. The starting line will be between a staff with an orange flag displayed on the R/C vessel at the west end of the starting line and Mark 1 to the east.

12.3. Starting times will be staggered according to assigned handicaps. A list of starting times and Sailing Instructions will be available at SDYC by 1700 on the Friday prior to each Sunday race date.

First Start Warning Signal (Pink Flag) 1155

First Start Preparatory Signal (P Flag) 1156

First Start 1200

12.4. Modifying RRS 30.1: RRS 30.1 ("I – Flag, Round-The-Ends") will apply to **all** starts. See SI 13.1.

12.5. Beginning at 1210, a horn will sound at 10 minute intervals, accompanied by the Numeral Pennant on the aft mast of the R/C vessel as follows: "1" at 1210, "2" at 1220, "3" at 1230, etc. These flags will be lowered 1 minute prior to the next flag. **These flags have no correlation to the class assignments.**

- 12.6. A whistle will be sounded at each individual start time.
- 12.7. In the event of a postponement, the "AP" flag will be lowered and a sound signal made 1 minute prior to the Warning Signal. The starting sequence described above will then begin. At or before the warning signal, the R/C vessel will display the number of minutes that the start has been delayed by Numeral Pennants from the upper deck of the R/C vessel. To correct their start time after a postponement, yachts should add the indicated number to their scheduled start times.
- 12.8. For the purpose of establishing a boat's Preparatory Signal time, it shall be four minutes prior to her start time. Boats not racing (see Definitions in back of rule book) shall keep clear of the racing area! All competitors are reminded to review RRS 22.1 and 64.1(c) in their rule books.
- 13. RECALLS**
- 13.1. **Modifying RRS 30.1:** RRS 30.1 ("Round-The-Ends") will apply to all starts. Code Flag "I" will be displayed with the Preparatory Signal. It will remain flying and in effect for all subsequent starts. It will be lowered after all boats have started.
- 13.2. Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29 with a horn for a sound signal, except that Code Flag X will not be flown. *This modifies RRS 29.1 and "Race Signals."*
- 13.3. As a courtesy, the Race Committee will attempt to hail boats On Course Side by VHF hail on Ch. 69. Failure of equipment, failure to hear a hail, delay in hailing or the order in which hails are given will not be grounds for redress.
- 14. FINISHING LINE**
- 14.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag displayed on the R/C vessel and Mark 1.
- 15. TIME LIMIT**
- 15.1. If no yacht in a class has finished the race in progress by 1630, the race for that class will be abandoned. Any yacht in a class with finishers prior to 1630, not finishing by 1630, will be recorded DNF.
- 16. PROTESTS**
- 16.1. A boat intending to protest shall report her intention and identify the boat(s) being protested to the R/C at the finish or upon retiring and receive R/C acknowledgment. (Modifies RRS 61.1(a))
- 16.2. Protests shall be in writing. US Sailing Protest Forms are available at the Official Regatta Notice Board at SDYC. They shall be lodged at the SDYC Front Desk.
- 16.3. Protest Time **ends at 1700 each race day.**
- 16.4. Protests hearings will be held on the race day as soon as possible after receipt. Protests will be heard in the approximate order of receipt. Approximate order and time of hearings will be posted on the official Protest notice board in the SDYC Front Office identifying both protesting and protested boats. It is the responsibility of each boat to check the schedule and attend the hearings in a timely manner with their representative and witnesses in order.
- 17. WITHDRAWAL**
- A boat intending to withdraw from racing shall attempt to notify the RC of her withdrawal before leaving the race area, and if not successful, shall notify the Security Gate of SDYC (619-758-6322) as quickly as possible. As a last resort, the boat should leave a note on the Official Regatta Notice Board.



18. SCORING

- 18.1. The Low Point Scoring System in RRS Appendix A will apply except as modified in the NOR and these SIs.
- 18.2. A boat that does not check in prior to each race will be considered DNC for each race for which they did not check in. Their class score will be equal to the number of series entrants in their class plus one. Their overall score will be equal to the overall number of series entrants plus one.
- 18.3. A boat notifying the Race Committee of their withdrawal from racing before finishing or those unable to complete the course within the time limit will be scored as DNF and will receive a class score equal to number of finishers in their class that race plus one. Their overall score will be overall number of finishers that race plus one.
- 18.4. RRS A4.2 is replaced by the following: "A boat that did not start (other than DNC) , retired after finishing or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats checked in for their class. Their overall points will be one more than the number of boats checked in for all classes. A boat penalized under rule 30.2 or 44.3 shall be scored points as provided in rule 44.3(c). "
- 18.5. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, no score shall be excluded. Three races are scheduled, with one completed race needed to constitute the series.
- 18.6. Boats shall be scored in class and overall. Trophies will be presented as soon as possible following the conclusion of the final race December 6, 2009 at the San Diego Yacht Club Pavilion.

SOCIAL ACTIVITY NOTES

- Complimentary hors d'oeuvres will be served on the Front Deck of the San Diego Yacht Club after each race. All participants are invited to attend.
- **NOTE:** Hot Rum, Beer and Wine will be available from a 'ticket only' bar located on the Front Deck. Tickets will be for sale at the front desk and at a table located near the outside bars. Cash and credit sales will be available in the clubhouse bar only.
- Each paid entry receives two of the famous red Mt. Gay Barbados Rum hats. Hats are available from the Front Office. You may pick them up anytime prior to the LAST RACE – December 6, 2009. Hats not spoken for will be tossed to the masses at the conclusion of the trophy presentation.
- Non-members will be asked to park outside the club due to a parking shortage.

Thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation in this matter.

Mike Foster and Jim Person
Principal Race Officers
San Diego Yacht Club

Tidal predictions for San Diego Bay Current predictions for Ballast Point

08 Nov 2009 - Point Loma Tides

High @ 02:31 of 3.6 Ft. Low @ 06:44 of 2.9 Ft.
High @ 12:46 of 5.0 Ft. Low @ 20:35 of -0.1 Ft.

08 Nov 2009 - Ballast Point Current, 100 yards north of

Slack @ 02:33	Ebb @ 04:49 = 0.4 Kts
Slack @ 06:28	Flood @ 09:46 = 0.7 Kts
Slack @ 12:41	Ebb @ 17:10 = 1.5 Kts
Slack @ 20:45	

22 Nov 2009 - Point Loma Tides

High @ 01:56 of 3.3 Ft. Low @ 05:23 of 3.0 Ft.
High @ 11:29 of 4.6 Ft. Low @ 19:32 of 0.5 Ft.

22 Nov 2009 - Ballast Point Current, 100 yards north of

Slack @ 01:50	Ebb @ 03:58 = 0.3 Kts
Slack @ 05:27	Flood @ 08:30 = 0.5 Kts
Slack @ 11:29	Ebb @ 16:10 = 1.2 Kts
Slack @ 19:47	Flood @ 23:23 = 0.8 Kts

06 Dec 2009 - Point Loma Tides

High @ 00:38 of 3.9 Ft. Low @ 05:26 of 2.3 Ft.
High @ 11:26 of 5.6 Ft. Low @ 18:53 of -0.6 Ft.

06 Dec 2009 - Ballast Point Current, 100 yards north of

Slack @ 00:40	Ebb @ 03:16 = 0.7 Kts
Slack @ 05:11	Flood @ 08:24 = 1.1 Kts
Slack @ 11:23	Ebb @ 15:35 = 1.9 Kts
Slack @ 18:57	Flood @ 22:14 = 1.3 Kts

Course Chart

Chart is not to scale and may not include all navigational features.

