



SCYA Snipe Midwinter Regatta

February 21 & 22, 2009

Sailing Instructions



Organizing Authority
San Diego Yacht Club

1. RULES

This regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing 2009 – 2012*, the Rules of Snipe Class International Racing Association (SCIRA), Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions.

2. ADVERTISING

This regatta is classified as Category “A” in accordance with the SCIRA Advertising Prescription.

3. ENTRY

To be eligible to race, each boat must complete registration and pay the appropriate entry fee as set forth in Sections 2 of the Notice of Race.

4. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notice to competitors will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located on the Spinnaker Deck of the San Diego Yacht Club (SDYC).

5. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to these sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board not later than 1000 on the day of the first race to which such changes apply. At the same time, Code Flag ‘L’, accompanied by one gun, will be displayed.

6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SDYC flag pole per RRS Racing Signals.
- 6.2 Code Flag “AP” with two guns (one gun when lowered) means that the racing is postponed. Consult the Official Regatta Notice Board regarding resumption of racing.

7. SIGNALS MADE AFLOAT

In accordance with RRS 90.2 (c), oral changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made on the water. A change is in effect when the R/C signal boat displays code flag L over A with one sound signal. This means come within hail of the R/C boat to receive the oral changes to the Sailing Instructions.

8. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 8.1 Four races are scheduled for Saturday and two races are scheduled for Sunday for a total of six races. The Race Committee reserves the right to have more or less races each day.
- 8.2 The scheduled time for the warning signal for the first race each day is 1155. Subsequent races will be started as soon as practical after completion of the prior race.

9. CLASS FLAGS

The Class Flag will be the International Snipe Class Flag.

10. STARTING AREA

The starting area will be located in the Coronado Roads, 1.25 nm east of Zuniga Jetty.

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11. THE COURSE

- 11.1 The course will be selected from the attached Course Description. This illustration shows the course, the order in which the marks are to be rounded.
- 11.2 Course signals from the R/C vessel located at the starboard end of the starting line are as follows: The approximate bearing to Mark 1 will be signaled using placards. The number of the course to be sailed will be signaled using placards.

12. MARKS

- 12.1 Marks 1 and 2 will be yellow inflatable marks.
- 12.2 "New Marks" as provided in SI 15 will be orange inflatable marks.

13. THE START

- 13.1 Races will start in accordance with RRS 26.
- 13.2 RRS 30.3 "Black Flag" will not be used.
- 13.3 The starting line will be between a staff with an orange flag displayed on the R/C vessel at the starboard end of the start line and Mark 2 on the port end.
- 13.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.

14. RECALLS

The Race Committee will signal boats OCS per RRS 29.1. No hails will be made.

15. CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

To change the next leg of the course, the R/C will lay a "new mark" (or move the finishing line) and remove the "original mark" as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a "new mark" is replaced, it will be replaced by an "original mark."

16. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the R/C vessel and Mark "2" for courses 2, 4, and 6; or Mark "1" for courses 3, 5, and 7.

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17. PENALTIES

- 17.1 RRS Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe is required.
- 17.2 Any competitor completing a penalty turn under RRS Rules 44.1 and 44.2 as modified by SI 17.1 shall report their completion of a penalty turn to the Race Committee promptly upon finishing.

18. PROTESTS

- 18.1 A boat intending to protest shall report her intentions and the boat(s) being protested to the R/C upon finishing or retiring and obtain R/C acknowledgment. *This changes RRS 61.1 (a).*
- 18.2 Written protests on US Sailing Protest Forms or Protest Forms provided at the Official Regatta Notice Board shall be lodged with the Protest Committee representative in the lobby of San Diego Yacht Club within one (1) hour of the docking time of the R/C finishing boat after the final race of the day. The docking time will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board.
- 18.3 Protests will be heard in the approximate order of receipt. The approximate order and time of hearings will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board identifying protesting and protested boats. It is the responsibility of each boat to check the schedule and attend the hearing in a timely manner with all parties and witnesses in order. The Protest Committee is not responsible for searching for parties or their witnesses.

19. SAFETY

A boat intending to withdraw from racing shall attempt to notify the R/C of her withdrawal before leaving the race area, and if not successful, shall notify the PRO via cell phone at (619) 985-3873 as quickly as possible. Competitors are encouraged to carry a cellular phone sealed in a plastic bag for emergency communication only. Any other electronic communication is subject to protest.

20. SCORING

- 20.1 If six races are completed, each boat's worst score shall be discarded, otherwise, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.
- 20.2 Six races are scheduled, of which two completed races shall constitute a series.

21. TOWING

The Race Committee will not provide towing.

22. Prizes

A trophy presentation will be held on the Spinnaker Deck following the completion of racing.

Michael Foster, Principal Race Officer

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Course Chart

Course	Marks	Course	Marks
2	Start, 1, Finish	3	Start, 1, 2, Finish
4	Start, 1, 2, 1, Finish	5	Start, 1, 2, 1, 2, Finish
6	Start, 1, 2, 1, 2, 1, Finish	7	Start, 1, 2, 1, 2, 1, 2, Finish

Marks of the course shall be left to port except when finishing at Mark 2.

