

# Sir Thomas Lipton Trophy



## August 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Santa Barbara Yacht Club (SBYC) SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



### 1 Rules:

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 Under rule 87, the last line of rule(s) 34.3.7, Format C of the Star Class Rules is deleted and replaced with: No more than 4 races per day.

### 2 Notices to Competitors:

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located outside the registration room, on the lower deck of the SBYC clubhouse.

### 3 Crew Weight:

- 3.1 Crews need not adhere to class weight limits to be eligible for the Lipton Trophy.

### 4 Changes to Sailing Instructions:

- 4.1 Changes in the Sailing Instructions will be approved by the Organizing Authority and will be posted before 1030 hours of the day they will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

### 5 Signals Ashore:

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at the SBYC clubhouse.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP.

### 6 Schedule:

#### 6.1 On Shore Schedule

Registration:

Friday, August 12                    1700-1900 hours

Saturday, August 13                0830-1000 hours

Competitor's Briefing:

Saturday, August 13                1000 hours

- 6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1230 hours. No more than four races per day will be sailed.

- 6.4 No warning signal will be made after 1630 hours on Sunday.

### 7 Class Flag:

- 7.1 The Class Flag shall be a red flag with a white letter 'A'.

### 8 Racing Area:

- 8.1 Racing will be held in Santa Barbara Channel, within three (3) miles of the entrance to the Santa Barbara Harbor.

### 9 Course:

- 9.1 Courses will be run as described in the attached course chart.
- 9.2 Course numbers will be displayed from the RC boat on red and white placards prior to the warning signal for each race.

### 10 Marks:

- 10.1 Except as provided for below, turning marks will be yellow inflatable tetrahedrons.
- 10.2 The windward mark "W" will be a yellow 'tear-drop' shaped inflatable.

10.3 The leeward “Gate” will consist of a pair of yellow tetrahedrons.

10.4 The offset mark “O” will be an orange inflatable tetrahedron.

10.5 A new mark, when used in accordance with Sailing Instruction 13, will be a yellow cylindrical inflatable. If a new mark is subsequently changed, it will be replaced with the original mark.

### **11 Check In:**

Prior to the first Warning Signal of the first race a boat sails each day, boats shall sail past the stern of the Race Committee signal boat to be recorded. RRS A4.1 is changed to provide that boats not complying with this instruction will receive the same score as a boat not starting without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

### **12 The Start:**

12.1 The starting line will be between the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on the Race Committee signal boat and an orange tetrahedron.

12.2 RRS A4 is changed so that a boat not starting within ten (10) minutes after the Starting Signal will be scored DNS without a hearing.

12.3 A Race Committee boat displaying Code flag “X” positioned near the start line will attempt to notify premature starters.

12.4 A Race Committee boat displaying a black flag positioned near the start line will attempt to notify boats that have been disqualified in accordance with RRS 30.3. Any boat notified that she has been disqualified shall leave the race course immediately. However, if there are additional races scheduled for that day, boats having been disqualified in a race may stand by in an area outside the race course and wait for the next race.

### **13 Change of Position of the Next Mark:**

13.1 To change the position of the next mark, the race committee will lay a new mark (described in SI 10.5). The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg by displaying code flag ‘C’ with several sound signals. No additional directions will be given.

13.2 To move the leeward gate, the race committee will set the new mark at one end of the gate and an original mark at the other.

13.3 Marks to be rounded after the changed mark may be moved without further signal to maintain the course configuration.

### **14 The Finish:**

14.1 The finishing line will be between the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on a Race Committee boat and an orange tetrahedron.

### **15 Time Limit:**

15.1 The time limits will be as described in Star Class Rules 34.3.7 Format C.

15.2 RRS 35, A4 and A5 is changed to provide that boats finishing more than 30 minutes after the first boat to finish will be scored “Did Not Finish” without a hearing.

### **16 Protests and Redress Requests:**

16.1 Protest forms are available from the front desk for the SBYC clubhouse. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

16.2 Protests and requests for redress must be delivered to the SBYC Race Office within sixty (60) minutes of the Race Committee signal boat docking time. The protest time will be posted on the Notice Board. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the Race Committee and Jury about incidents they observe in the racing area and to request redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.

16.3 Notices will be posted on the official notice board within thirty (30) minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearing times and locations will be listed on the notice board.

16.4 Boats recorded on the finishing list as having not started or not finished will be posted on the Notice Board thirty (30) minutes prior to the protest time limit. Any boat so notified may request a hearing, which must be in writing and delivered to the SBYC Race Office within protest time limit.

16.6 On the last day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:

- (a) Within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
- (b) No later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed.

16.7 On the last day of racing a request for redress based on a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

**17 Scoring:**

17.1 The Low Point scoring system, RRS Appendix A, will apply. This is changed so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding the worst score if more than four (4) races are completed (this changes the NOR). Up to eight races are scheduled, of which one race shall be completed to constitute a series.

**18 Liability and Safety:**

18.1 The safety of a boat and her entire management, including insurance, shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner and/or entrant.

18.2 Competitors leaving the race course before the end of a race shall inform the Race Committee or the SBYC front desk as soon as possible. Competitors not leaving the dock on a race day shall inform the SBYC front desk.

**19 Crew Changes:**

19.1 Any request for a change of crew must be submitted to the Race Committee in writing prior to 0900 hours on the day of the race for which the change is to be made. If the Race Committee grants permission, it will do so in writing and post such notice on the Notice Board.

19.2 A change of helmsman will not be permitted.

**20 Team and Private Support Boats:**

20.1 Coach boats and private spectator boats are expected to render assistance to a boat in danger when requested by the boat, or at the request of the Race Committee or jury.

20.2 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay 100 meters outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the Warning Signal until all boats have finished racing.

20.3 The Penalty for breaking 20.1, 20.2, or 20.3 will be at the discretion of the jury up to and including disqualification of all boats associated with the team or private support boat.

**21 Haul out Restrictions:**

21.1 All boats may be hauled out each day or kept at the SBYC guest dock at the discretion of the crew.

**22 Radio Communication:**

A boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions (including cellular telephone) while racing.

**23 Prizes:**

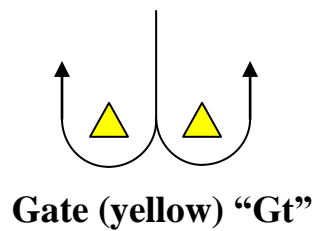
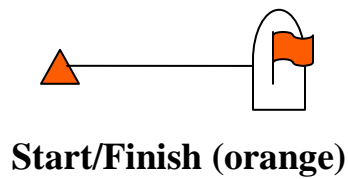
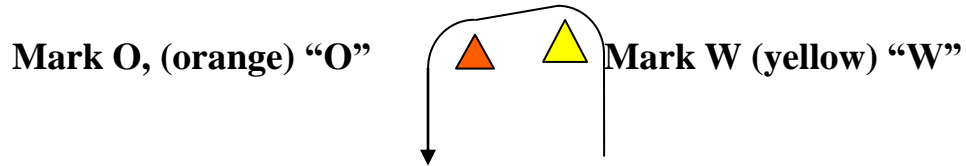
23.1 Perpetual Trophies will be awarded in accordance with Star Class Rules 24.

23.2 Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers in the event. This changes the Notice of Race.

**24 Disclaimer of Liability:**

Participants agree that no person or organization involved in the conduct of this Championship will be liable for any accident, injury, fatality, or damage or loss of boat or personal property arising out of a participant's preparation for or participation in any on-the-water or on-shore activities (whether social, recreational, launching, hauling, boat storage or otherwise) associated with the Championship. Nothing in these Sailing Instructions or oral statements by the Organizing Authority, their officers, directors or agents, shall modify or otherwise impair the effect of the Waiver of Liability Form, the execution of which is a condition of entry.

# Course Chart



## Courses:

**Course 1:** Start, W(p), O(p), Gate, Finish

**Course 2:** Start, W(p), O(p), Gate, W(p), O(p), Finish

**Course 3:** Start, W(p), O(p), Gate, W(p), O(p), Gate, Finish

*Marks W and O shall be rounded to port. Boats may pass through the start/finish line at any time while racing.*