



Santa Barbara Yacht Club
Skiff Festival Regatta
May 19th-20th, 2012

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organizing Authority for the 2012 Skiff Festival Regatta will be:
The Santa Barbara Yacht Club (SBYC), 130 Harbor Way, Santa Barbara, CA 93109

1. RULES

This regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.

2. PERSONAL BUOYANCY

Adequate, USCG approved PFDs shall be worn at all times while on the water. Code flag "Y" need not be displayed.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors, amendments, and signals made ashore shall be displayed in the boatyard adjacent to the launch ramp. Each change will be announced verbally as well.

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1100 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from a staff near the registration and launch ramp area.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with not less than 30 minutes in the race signal AP.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Saturday, May 19th

- 930 Registration and check in opens (Launch Ramp)
- 1015 Registration closes (Launch Ramp)
- 1030 Competitor Meeting (Launch Ramp)
- 1215 First Warning, up to four races scheduled

Sunday, May 20th

- 1215 First Warning, up to four races scheduled
- 1530 No starts after this time
- 1630 Awards presentation at the Launch Ramp

7. CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be as follows:

- 505 Red flag with a white 'A'
- 29er Green flag with a white 'B'

8. RACING AREA

The racing area shall be the Santa Barbara Channel near the harbor entrance. The exact course location will be described at the competitors meeting.

9. COURSES

- 9.1 The Diagram in 'Attachment A – Course Chart' shows the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will hail the course number and display the course number on a red and white placard.

10. MARKS

All turning marks will be inflatable shapes of colors consistent with those described in 'Attachment A - Course Chart'.

11. START

The start line will be between an orange flag on the race committee boat and an orange tetrahedron. Starting sequences will be as described in Rule 26, with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the start. The start of one class may be the warning for the next class.

12. CHANGE OF COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark of a different color and remove the original mark as soon as practical. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the mark may not yet be in the new position. The signal will be code flag 'C' with several sounds. No additional directions will be given (this changes rule 33). Any mark to be rounded after the moved mark may be relocated without further signaling to maintain the course configuration.

13. FINISH

- 13.1 The finish will be between an orange tetrahedron and an orange flag flown from the race committee boat.
- 13.2 In the interest of starting another race in a timely fashion, the Race Committee may assign a finish position to the last finisher(s) in a class provided that the position(s) can be determined in a reasonable manner.
- 13.3 Any finisher that has not crossed the line within twenty minutes of the first finisher in that boat's class may be assigned a DNF.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS Rule 44.2 is changed so that if a boat may exonerate an infringement of a Part 2 Rule by completing a One-Turn Penalty, including one tack and one gybe.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

Protests and requests for redress shall be filed with the race committee at the registration desk in the boat storage area no later than 45 minutes after the race committee returns to the dock each day. Protest Forms will be available at the Launch Ramp Registration Area.

16. SCORING

The low-point scoring system of Appendix A will apply, except that when fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. One race must be completed to constitute a series.

17. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Coach boats and spectators are asked to monitor VHF channel 71 for instructions from the race committee.

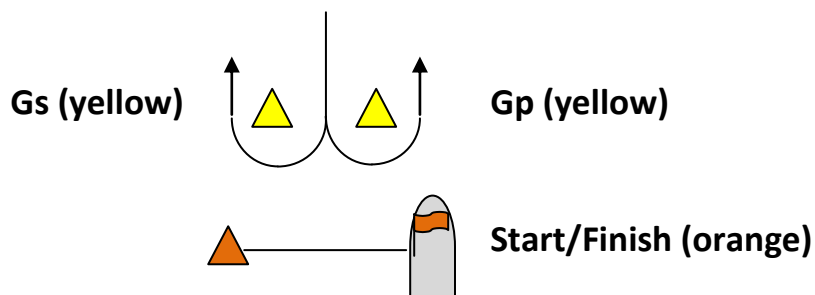
18. PRIZES

Trophies shall be awarded to the top finishers in each class based on the number of participants.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Participants in this event compete entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

Attachment A – Course Chart



Course 1: Start - W(p) - Finish

Course 2: Start - W(p) - Gate - W(p) - Finish

Course 3: Start - W(p) - Gate - W(p) – Gate – W(p) - Finish

*Marks Gs and Gp are a Gate where Gp is rounded to port and Gs is rounded to starboard.