



## 2012 SBYC Championship Series *Spring, Summer, Fall, and Holiday Regattas*

### Notice of Race

The Organizing Authority for the 2012 Championship Series Regattas will be:  
The Santa Barbara Yacht Club (SBYC), 130 Harbor Way, Santa Barbara, CA 93109

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 Competitors are reminded that under the preamble of Part 2 of the RRS, boats racing must comply with rule 9 of the Inland Navigation Rules (72 COLREGS) when they meet other marine traffic.
- 1.3 For PHRF classes, the regatta will be a Category 4 event as defined by PHRF of Southern California.
- 1.4 For PHRF classes, the Marine Industry Racer (MIR) rule of PHRF of Southern California will not apply to this regatta.
- 1.5 PHRF racers will use Area I buoy ratings.

#### 2. ADVERTISING

The regatta will be a category A event.

#### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Each One-Design championship regatta is open to the following One-Design Classes: Harbor 20, J/24, J/105, and Melges 24. Additional One-Design classes will be accepted at the discretion of the Regatta Chair based on the number of entries and the classes that are established. Submit requests to [racing@sbyc.org](mailto:racing@sbyc.org).
- 3.2 Each PHRF championship regatta is open to Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (PHRF) boats. PHRF boats will be separated into classes based on entries received and performance characteristics of the boats. PHRF class breaks will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.
- 3.3 Eligible PHRF competitors shall have valid and current PHRF certificates, and be equipped for Category 4 races. Valid and current PHRF rating certificates for PHRF boats must be on file with the Race Committee no later than 1100 hours on the day of the race.
- 3.4 One Design boats in recognized classes may enter individual PHRF races without PHRF certificates, using the class ratings listed below, and at the discretion of the race committee.  
Harbor 20 = 204;      J-24 = 168;      J/105 = 90;      Melges 24 = 84  
One Design boats that do not have valid and current PHRF certificates may compete and be scored in individual regattas. Only boats with valid and current PHRF certificates shall be scored in the overall Championship Series for PHRF fleets.

- 3.5 Flag members of SBYC in good standing are eligible to enter the Championship Series. Non-members may race in the individual events but are not eligible to win the series or perpetual trophies. To be eligible for the series, yachts competing in PHRF classes shall have a valid 2012 PHRF certificate or copy of a completed application for PHRF certificate on file at the Santa Barbara Yacht Club. All one-design entries shall be a member in good standing with their respective one-design class.
- 3.6 Eligible boats may enter by submitting a completed race entry form to the Santa Barbara Yacht Club. Race entry forms are available at the SBYC front desk or online at <http://www.sbyc.org/Contact/>. Online entries will be accepted until 0800 the morning of the regatta; thereafter entries may only be made in person. In-person entries will be accepted until 1100 the morning of the regatta. Exceptions are at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 3.7 There is no entry fee for Championship Series events.

#### **4. SCHEDULE**

<u>One Design</u>	<u>PHRF</u>
March 10 – Spring One Design	March 11 – Spring PHRF
June 30 – Summer One Design	July 1 – Summer PHRF
September 29 – Fall One Design	September 30 – Fall PHRF
December 1-2 Holiday Regatta	December 1-2 Holiday Regatta

- 4.2 Competitor meetings will be held on the upper deck of SBYC on the first day of each regatta at 1100 unless modified by the regatta Sailing Instructions.
- 4.3 First Warning for each race day will be at 1230 hours unless modified by the regatta Sailing Instructions.

#### **5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 5.1 Sailing Instructions including course descriptions will be available at registration and on the racing page of the SBYC website ([http://www.sbyc.org/racing\\_calendar.php](http://www.sbyc.org/racing_calendar.php)) approximately one week prior to the event.
- 5.2 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to amend versions of the Sailing Instructions on the website without prior notice.

#### **6. VENUE**

Registration will take place at the Santa Barbara Yacht Club Fleet front desk. All post-sailing activities will take place at the Santa Barbara Yacht Club. The course will be located outside Santa Barbara harbor.

#### **7. COURSES**

- 7.1 A course chart will be attached to the regatta Sailing Instructions.
- 7.2 Courses will be a windward-leeward buoy configuration as described therein.

#### **8. PENALTY SYSTEM**

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

## **9. SCORING**

### **9.1 CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES SCORING:**

- (a) The low-point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply, except that:
  - (i.) When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the sum of her race scores.
  - (ii.) When 5-9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the sum of her races scores excluding her worst score.
  - (iii.) When 10-14 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the sum of her races scores excluding her worst two (2) scores.
  - (iv.) When 15 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the sum of her races scores excluding her worst three (3) scores.
- (b) Three (3) races shall be completed to constitute a series.
- (c) For the purpose of Championship Series scoring, a boat's place in each race shall be defined as the order of finish relative to her own class not including boats ineligible for the series (see Notice of Race Instruction 3.5).
- (d) Only eligible boats as pertaining to instruction 3.5 will be included in final Championship Series scoring.

### **9.2 REGATTA SCORING FOR INDIVIDUAL EVENTS:**

- (a) The low-point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply, except that a boat's score shall be the sum of all her finishes.
- (b) One race must be completed to constitute a regatta.

## **10. BERTHING**

Berthing may be offered to out of town boats free of charge on a first come-first serve basis, and pending availability, by contacting the front desk of SBYC a minimum of one month in advance. Rafting will be necessary and reservations with the front desk of SBYC are mandatory.

## **11. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

The Race Committee will make use of VHF radios to keep sailors informed of Start Times, On Course Side (OCS), Postponements, and other information regarding the racing.

## **12. PRIZES**

Trophies will be awarded to the top finishers in each fleet for each regatta. Series winners will be placed on the SBYC Challenge Cup.

## **13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the series 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 series.

**14. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

**15. AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE**

The Organizing Authority reserves the right to amend this notice. Any amendments will be posted on the Championship Series Website (<http://www.sbycracing.org/2012-championship-series/>)

**16. CONTACT INFORMATION**

For further information please visit the SBYC Racing website (<http://www.sbycracing.org>) or contact the SBYC Race Office at (805) 965-8112 x14 or [racing@sbyc.org](mailto:racing@sbyc.org).