



*Santa Barbara Yacht Club*  
**Skiff Festival Regatta**  
May 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>, 2014

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Organizing Authority for the 2014 Skiff Festival Regatta 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 The US Sailing prescriptions to rules 60, 63.2, and 63.4 will not apply.

### **2. PERSONAL BUOYANCY / JERSEYS**

- 2.1 For dinghy classes, 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**

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located near the launch ramp area.

### **4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions made prior to 1130 on the day it will take effect will be posted on the notice board, 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 17<sup>th</sup>***

<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Dinghy Location</b>	<b>Kite Location</b>
930	Registration and check in opens	Harbor Launch Ramp	SBYC Parking Lot
1030	Registration closes	Harbor Launch Ramp	SBYC Parking Lot
1040	Competitor Meeting	Harbor Launch Ramp	SBYC Parking Lot
1230	First warning signal for dinghy classes, as many races as possible will be raced		

#### ***Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>***

1215	First Warning for dinghy classes, as many races as possible will be raced		
1530	No Warning Signal for dinghy classes after this time		
1630	Awards presentation at SBYC		

### **7. CLASS FLAGS**

- 7.1 Class flags will be as follows:
  - Weta Red flag with a white 'A'
  - 29er Green flag with a white 'B'

## **8. RACING AREA**

- 8.1 The racing area shall be the Santa Barbara Channel within 1 mile of the harbor entrance. 'Attachment C – Racing Areas' shows approximate areas where courses will be set.

## **9. THE COURSES**

- 9.1 The Diagrams 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 large placard.

## **10. MARKS**

- 10.1 Turning marks will be inflatable shapes of colors consistent with those described in 'Attachment A - Course Chart'
- 10.2 New marks as provided in instruction 12.1, will be:
- (a) A red inflatable mark to replace 'W2'
  - (b) A green inflatable mark to replace 'W1'
  - (c) A yellow inflatable mark with a black band to replace a gate mark.

## **11. THE START**

- 11.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made five minutes before the starting signal.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of a starting pin consistent with those described in 'Attachment A – Course Chart'.

## **12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark 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.

## **13. THE FINISH**

- 13.1 The finish will be between an orange flag flown from the race committee boat and a finish mark consistent with 'Attachment A – Course Chart'.
- 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**

- 14.1 For all classes, the penalty system shall be the Two-Turns Penalty as described in Rule 44.1.

## **15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 15.1 Protests and requests for redress shall be filed with the race committee at the registration desk 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**

16.1 The low-point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.

16.2 One race must be completed to constitute a series.

16.3 When fewer than six races are complete, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

## **17. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

17.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

## **18. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

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

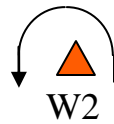
## **19. PRIZES**

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

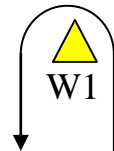
## **20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

20.1 Competitors participate in the regatta 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.

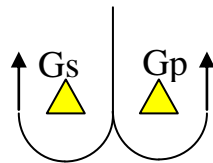
**Attachment A - Course Chart**



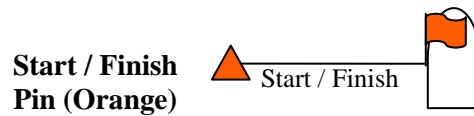
**Mark W2, (orange) “W2”**



**Mark W1 (yellow) “W1”**



**Gate (yellow) “Gs / Gp”**



**Course #**

<b>1</b>	<b>(2 legs)</b>	<b>Start – W1 – Finish</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>(2 legs)</b>	<b>Start – W2 – Finish</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>(4 legs)</b>	<b>Start – W1 – Gt – W1 – Finish</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>(4 legs)</b>	<b>Start – W2 – Gt – W2 – Finish</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>(4 legs)</b>	<b>Start – W2 – Gt – W1 – Finish</b>

- Mark W1 is a yellow inflatable mark and shall be rounded to port.
- Mark W2 is an orange inflatable mark and shall be rounded to port.
- Mark Gs is a yellow inflatable mark and shall be rounded to starboard.
- Mark Gp is a yellow inflatable mark and shall be rounded to port.
- The Start / Finish Line is between an orange flag on the RC signal boat and an orange tetrahedron.