



Santa Barbara Yacht Club
Sir Thomas Star Lipton Regatta
District 5 Green Star Championship
August 8th-9th, 2015



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organizing Authority for the 2015 Sir Thomas Lipton Star 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*.
- 1.2 The regatta shall qualify as a Green Star District 5 Championship (STCR 223.5.4) open to all District 5 Novices (STCR 23.7.1 and 23.7.2).
- 1.3 Star Class Rule 34.3.7 Format C is changed to allow the minimum distance of a leg to be less than one nautical mile.
- 1.4 US Sailing prescriptions to rules 60, 63.2, and 63.4 will not apply.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the lower deck of the SBYC clubhouse.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Changes in the Sailing Instructions will be approved by the Organizing Authority and will be posted before 1130 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.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at the SBYC clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than sixty (60) minutes' in race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 Friday, August 7th:

1700-1900 **Registration open on SBYC Bar area**

Saturday, August 8th:

0900-1000 **Registration open at SBYC Fleet Room**

1100 **Competitor Meeting at SBYC upstairs**

1300 **Warning Signal for first race**

After Racing Complimentary Hors D'oeuvres & drinks on SBYC upper deck

Sunday, August 9th:

1300 **Warning signal for first race**

1530 **No Warning Signal after this time**

After Racing **Awards and complimentary pasta buffet & drinks at SBYC**

- 5.2 Number of Races: Seven races are scheduled.

6 CLASS FLAG

- 6.1 The Class Flag will be a red flag with a white letter 'A'.

7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 Racing will be held in Santa Barbara Channel, within three miles of the entrance to the Santa Barbara Harbor.

8 THE COURSES

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

9 MARKS

- 9.1 The windward mark “W” will be an orange inflatable shape as shown in ‘Attachment A – Course Chart’.
- 9.2 The offset mark “O” be an red or orange norwegian buoy as shown in ‘Attachment A – Course Chart’.
- 9.3 The leeward “Gate” will be a pair of yellow inflatable shapes as shown in ‘Attachment A – Course Chart’.
- 9.4 The starting pin will be a orange inflatable shape as shown in ‘Attachment A – Course Chart’.
- 9.5 The finishing pin will be a orange inflatable shape as shown in ‘Attachment A – Course Chart’.

10 THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made five minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 10.3 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee 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.
- 11.2 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.
- 11.3 Marks to be rounded after the changed mark may be moved without further signal to maintain the course configuration.

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and the course side of the finishing pin as shown in ‘Attachment A – Course Chart’.
- 12.2 In the interest of starting another race in a timely fashion, the Race Committee may assign a finish position to the last finisher(s) provided that the position can be determined in a reasonable manner.

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1 Protest forms are available from the front desk for the SBYC clubhouse. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 13.2 Protests and requests for redress must be delivered within one hour of the Race Committee signal boat docking time. The protest time limit 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.
- 13.3 Notices will be posted on the official notice board within 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.

- 13.4 Boats recorded on the finishing list as having not started or not finished will be posted on the Notice Board 30 minutes before the protest time limit. Any boat so notified may request a hearing, which must be in writing and delivered to the Race Office within protest time limit.
- 13.5 On the last scheduled 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
- 13.6 On the last scheduled 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.

14 SCORING

- 14.1 The low-point scoring system of 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 five (5) races are completed.
- 14.2 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

15 SAFETY

- 15.1 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.

16 CREW CHANGES

- 16.1 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.
- 16.2 A change of helmsman will not be permitted.

17 TEAM AND PRIVATE SUPPORT BOATS

- 17.1 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.
- 17.2 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay 100 yards outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the Preparatory Signal until all boats have finished racing.
- 17.3 The Penalty for breaking sailing instruction 19.1 or 19.2 will be at the discretion of the jury up to and including disqualification of all boats associated with the team or private support boat.

18 HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

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

19 RADIO COMMUNICATION

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

20 PRIZES

- 20.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top three boats overall (skipper & crew) in the event.
- 20.2 The winning skipper and crew will have their names engraved on the Santa Barbara Yacht Club's Sir Thomas Lipton Perpetual Trophy to remain on display at the Santa Barbara Yacht Club.

21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

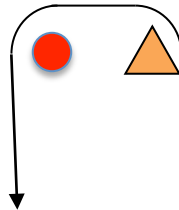
- 21.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage of personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.



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Attachment A - Course Chart

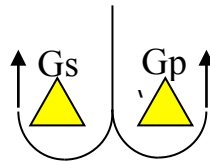
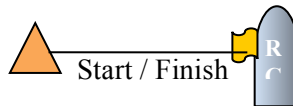


Mark 'O', (orange/red)



Mark 'W' (orange)

Start /Finish D Pin (Orange)



Gate (yellow) "Gs / Gp"

Courses:

Course 2: Start – W – O – Finish

Course 3: Start – W – O – Gt – Finish

Course 4: Start – W – O – Gt – W – O – Finish

Course 5: Start – W – O – Gt – W – O – Gt – Finish

Course 6: Start – W – O – Gt – W – O – Gt – W – O – Finish

* Marks W and O shall be rounded to port.