



*Santa Barbara Yacht Club*  
**Santa Barbara Skiff Festival** *29er*  
**29er Hamlin Series #4**  
 May 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, 2016



## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organizing Authority for the 2016 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 US Sailing prescriptions to rules 60, 63.2, and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.3 RRS 63.7 is replaced with: "If there is a conflict between a rule in the sailing instructions and one in the notice of race, the sailing instructions shall apply."
- 1.4 For all Classes, Appendix T, Alternate Procedures for Dispute Resolution; Sections A (penalties at the time of the incident) and D (arbitration) will apply. For the Viper class, Section B (post race penalties) will also apply. This changes the Notice of Race.
- 1.5 Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times except briefly between races to facilitate clothing changes. Code flag 'Y' need not be displayed. This changes Rule 40.
- 1.6 The Skiff Festival will be host to the Southern California Youth Yacht Racing Association 29er Hamlin Series #4.

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located near the launch ramp area for the dinghy classes and located on the lower deck of SBYC for the Viper class.

### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1115 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted on the SBYC notice board by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SBYC yardarm and announced verbally at the launch ramp to dinghy class competitors.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with not less than 30 minutes in the race signal AP.

### 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

#### 5.1 Schedule

Time	Event	Location
<b>Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup></b>		
1700	Appetizers and no host bar	Santa Barbara Yacht Club
<b>Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup></b>		
1000	No host breakfast available	Santa Barbara Yacht Club
1000	Dinghy Classes Check In	Harbor Launch Ramp
1000	Viper Class Check In	SBYC Upper Deck
1100	Dinghy Class Competitor Meeting	Harbor Launch Ramp
1100	Viper Class Competitor Meeting	SBYC Upper Deck
1230	First Warning Signal	
1700-1900	Hors d'oeuvres and complementary beer on SBYC upper deck.	

## **Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**

1000	No host breakfast available	Santa Barbara Yacht Club
1230	First Warning Signal	
1530	No Warning Signal after this time	
1630	Hors d'oeuvres and awards	Santa Barbara Yacht Club

- 5.2 For the Viper class, a total of seven (7) races are scheduled with no more than four (4) races to be sailed on any one day.
- 5.3 For the 29er class, a total of twelve (12) races are scheduled with no more than six (6) to be sailed on any one day. This changes the Notice of Race.

## **6. CLASS FLAGS**

- 6.1 Class flags will be as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Flag</u>
Viper	Red flag with a white 'A'
I-14	Green Flag with white 'B'
29er	Yellow flag with a Black 'C'

## **7. RACING AREA**

- 7.1 Conditions permitting, it is the intention of the race committee to sail all classes on a course within approximately two (2) miles of the Santa Barbara Harbor.

## **8. THE COURSES**

- 8.1 The Diagrams in 'Attachment A – Course Chart' show 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.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course number on a large placard.

## **9. MARKS**

- 9.1. Turning marks will be inflatable shapes of colors consistent with those shown in 'Attachment A – Course Chart.'
- 9.2. The starting and finishing pins will be orange inflatable shapes.
- 9.3. Windward mark 'W1' will be a yellow inflatable shape. Windward mark 'W2' will be an orange inflatable shape.
- 9.4. The leeward gate will consist of a pair of yellow inflatable shapes.
- 9.5. New marks as provided in instruction 11.1, will be:
- A green inflatable mark to replace 'W2'
  - A red inflatable mark to replace 'W1'
  - A yellow inflatable mark with a black band to replace a gate mark.

## **10. THE START**

- 10.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal given five (5) 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 If when rule 30.1 or 30.2 is in effect any part of a boat's hull, crew, or equipment is on the course side of the starting line during the one minute before her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to broadcast her sail number on the designated VHF channel. Failure to make a broadcast or of a boat to see or hear her recall notification shall not relieve her of her obligation to start correctly and shall not be grounds for redress. A boat's position in the sequence of hailed numbers or broadcast numbers shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

10.4 As a courtesy, the Race Committee will attempt to notify recalled boats by hailing their sail number over the designated VHF channel. Failure of a boat to see or hear her recall notification shall not be grounds for redress. A boat's position in the sequence of hailed numbers or broadcast numbers shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1 (a)

## 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 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.

## 12. THE FINISH

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

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) in a class provided that the position(s) can be determined in a reasonable manner.

## 13. PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 For all classes, Appendix T, Rule T1 will apply: The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while *racing*. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.' B.

13.2 For the Viper class, Appendix T, Section B – Post Race Penalties will apply:

T2.1 After a race, a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while *racing* may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. The penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rules 44.1(a) and (b) apply. A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by informing the race committee in writing and identifying the race number and when and where the incident occurred.

T2.2 The Post-Race Penalty shall be:

- 20%, if taken before the protest time limit, or
- 30%, if taken after the protest time limit but before the beginning of a hearing involving the incident.

## 14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

14.1 Protest forms will be available at the front desk of the SBYC clubhouse. Protests shall be delivered to the front desk within the protest time limit, which shall be 45 minutes after the race committee signal boat returns to the dock. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

14.2 Appendix T, Section D – Arbitration will apply.

14.3 Protest times and locations will be posted on the official notice board no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

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

- within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
- no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.

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

## **15. SCORING**

- 15.1 The low-point scoring system of Appendix A will apply except that when fewer than seven races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 15.2 Two races must be completed to constitute a series.

## **16. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

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

## **17. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

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

## **18. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

## **19. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

- 19.1 Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

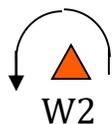
## **20. PRIZES**

- 20.1 Trophies shall be awarded to the top three (3) finishers in each class.

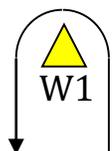
## **21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 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 or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

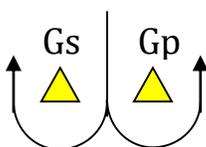
**Attachment A - Course Chart**



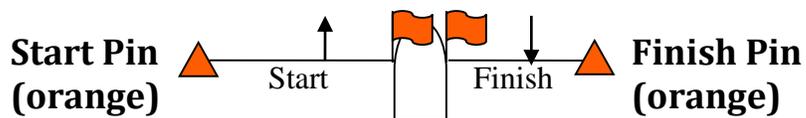
Mark W2, (orange) "W2"



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>
<b>6</b>	<b>(6 legs)</b>	<b>Start - W1 - Gt - W1 - Gt - W1 - Finish</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>(6 legs)</b>	<b>Start - W2 - Gt - W2 - Gt - W2 - Finish</b>

Marks W1 and W2 shall be rounded to port.  
 Mark Gs shall be rounded to starboard.  
 Mark Gp shall be rounded to port.