

Santa Barbara Yacht Club



Fiesta Cup
J/70 West Coast Championship
July 15-17, 2016



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organizing Authority for the 2016 Fiesta Cup 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.
- 1.3 Appendix T, Alternate Procedures for Dispute Resolution; Sections A, B, and D will apply.
- 1.4 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".

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

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

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1130 on the day they 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.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SBYC flagpole.
- 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 OF RACES

Time	Event	Location
Friday, July 15	Racing Day One (J/70)	
1000-1300	Check-In / Skipper Packet Pick-Up	SBYC Fleet Room
1300	J/70 Competitor Meeting	SBYC Lower Deck
1500	J/70 First Warning Signal	
Post Racing	Dock Cart Beer Party	End Tie 'D'
1730	Complementary hors d'oeuvres	SBYC Bar
Saturday, July 16	Racing Day Two (J/70 & Harbor 20)	
0900-1030	Check-In / Skipper Packet Pick-Up	SBYC Fleet Room
1000-1130	No-Host Racers' Breakfast available	SBYC Dining Room
1100	Competitor meeting	SBYC Lower Deck
1300	First Warning Signal	
Post racing	Fiesta Beach Party – food & live music	SBYC
Sunday, July 17	Racing Day Three (J/70 & Harbor 20)	
1000-1130	No-Host Racers' Breakfast available	SBYC Dining Room
1230	First Warning signal	
1500	No warning signal after this time	
Post racing	Hors d'oeuvres and awards	SBYC Upper Deck

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- 5.1 For the J/70 class, a total of eight (8) races are scheduled with no more than four (4) races to be sailed on any one day.
- 5.2 For the Harbor 20 class, a total of six (6) races are scheduled with no more than four (4) races to be sailed on any one day.

6. CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

- J/70: Red flag with a white 'A'
- Harbor 20: Purple flag with a white 'D'

7. RACING AREA

The racing area for all races will be the Santa Barbara Channel, within 2 miles of SBYC and will be described in further detail at the competitor meeting.

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 Course numbers will be displayed on placards from the race committee signal boat.

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 pin 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:
 - 9.5.1 A green inflatable mark to replace 'W2'
 - 9.5.2 A red inflatable mark to replace 'W1'
 - 9.5.3 A yellow inflatable mark with a black band to replace a gate mark.

10. THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 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 An inflatable mark may be attached to the stern of the Race Committee Boat and shall be considered part of the Starting Mark for the purposes of rule 28 and rule 31.
- 10.4 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes rule A4.
- 10.5 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).

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- 10.6 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 TO 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. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the mark may not yet be in the new position.
- 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.

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing 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 finishing mark 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) in a class provided that the position(s) can be determined in a reasonable manner.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 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.'
- 13.2 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
- (a) 30%, if taken before the protest time limit, or
 - (b) 40%, 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 are available at the front desk of the SBYC club house. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the race office, located on the southwest corner of SBYC, within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.2 For all classes, the protest time limit is within one hour of the Race Committee's return to the dock.
- 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.

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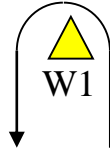
- 14.4 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day; no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes 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 a boat's series score will be a total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.
- 15.2 One race must be completed to constitute a series.
- 16. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**
- Crew limitations for the J/70 class are listed in Part II, C.3.1.
- 17. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**
- A valid measurement certificate shall be presented upon request by any regatta or fleet representative. Additional measurement checks may be conducted during the regatta at the discretion of the Organizing Authorities.
- 18. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**
- Boats shall remain in the water for the duration of the regatta except with prior written consent from the race committee for repairs.
- 19. RADIO COMMUNICATION**
- Competitors may monitor VHF Channel 71 for instructions from the Race Committee.
- 20. PRIZES**
- Take home trophies will be awarded to the top finishers.
- 21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
- 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.
- 22. INSURANCE**
- Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with adequate limits for this event, or the equivalent.

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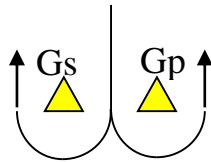
Attachment A - Course Chart



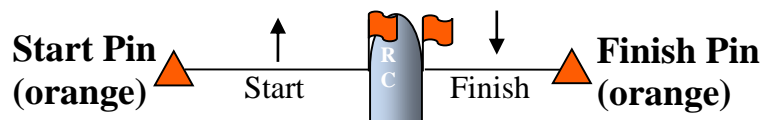
Mark W2, (orange) "W2"



Mark W1 (yellow) "W1"



Gate (yellow) "Gs / Gp"



Course

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| 1 | (2 legs) | Start – W1 – Finish |
| 2 | (2 legs) | Start – W2 – Finish |
| 3 | (4 legs) | Start – W1 – Gt – W1 – Finish |
| 4 | (4 legs) | Start – W2 – Gt – W2 – Finish |
| 5 | (4 legs) | Start – W2 – Gt – W1 – Finish |
| 6 | (6 legs) | Start – W1 – Gt – W1 – Gt – W1 – Finish |
| 7 | (6 legs) | Start – W2 – Gt – W2 – Gt – W2 – Finish |

Marks W1 and W2 shall be rounded to port.

Mark Gs shall be rounded to starboard.

Mark Gp shall be rounded to port.