

**SBYC DOUBLEHANDED &
SHORTHANDED REGATTA
November 17th, 2007**

Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

This regatta will be governed by the 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the US Sailing, the rules of the Southern California PHRF Fleet, and by these sailing Instructions. PHRF Rule 2.2 is modified so that each yacht's Buoy Rating will be used for the regatta. J-24 Class Rules are modified so that each yacht may use GPS devices.

2 ENTRIES

2.1 Participants may enter by submitting a completed race entry form to the Santa Barbara Yacht Club no later than 1200 hours on the day of the regatta. Race entry forms are available in the back hallway of the clubhouse. Exceptions are at the discretion of the race committee.

2.2 The regatta is open to PHRF boats sailing at her current PHRF handicap (with certificate on file), to J-24's sailing at a handicap of 168 and J-105's sailing at a handicap of 90.

2.3 Competitors may enter either the Shorthanded Division (see S.I. 8) or the Doublehanded Division and must state their intention on their entry form.

2.4 Yachts electing to sail non-spinnaker may do so by stating on their entries. Boats choosing not to fly a spinnaker will be given a 30 sec./mile favorable rating adjustment.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the Santa Barbara Yacht Club lower deck.

4 SKIPPER'S MEETING

A skipper's meeting will be held at 1230 hours on the upper deck of the Santa Barbara Yacht Club clubhouse.

5 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted before 1230 hours on race day.

6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Santa Barbara Yacht Club yardarm.

7 SCHEDULE OF RACES

7.1 One race will be held simultaneously for the two divisions. The race will be started in reverse handicap order.

7.2 The starting time for each boat will be provided at the skippers meeting. The boat with the highest handicap number (slowest rated boat) that has an entry submitted by 1200 hours the day of the race will start at the start signal (see Sailing Instruction 12).

8 CREW

8.1 Shorthanded Division:

Crewmembers are limited in number to that indicated below. Boats that race with more than the prescribed number of crew will be disqualified.

Boats 29 feet and under	2 crew
Boats 30 feet to 38 feet	3 crew
Boats 39 feet to 50 feet	4 crew
Boats 51 feet and over	5 crew
(Round LOA to the nearest whole number)	

8.2 Doublehanded Division:

Crewmembers are limited to two persons on each boat.

9 RACING AREA

The racing area starting line will be approximately 0.5 n. miles southwest of the entrance to Santa Barbara Harbor.

10 THE COURSE

10.1 The course will be taken from the current Santa Barbara Yacht Club course chart. The course will be posted on the yacht club railing prior to the first warning.

10.2 The course may be shortened at the discretion of the race committee (see S.I.13).

11 MARKS

11.1 Marks will be as designed on the current Santa Barbara Yacht Club Course Chart.

11.2 In the event of missing marks, the race will be abandoned and resailed. Boats shall return to the starting line as soon as possible for a restart.

12 THE START

12.1 The race will be started in reverse handicap order. The starting time for each entered boat will be provided at the skippers meeting. This modifies rule 26, however the standard signals will be used prior to the first start.

12.2 The warning signal for the first starting boat will be at 1355 hours.

12.3 A sound signal (horn) will be made at the start time of any boats OCS.

12.4 The race committee will attempt to raise code flag 'X' to notify the OCS boat and may hail the yacht on VHF channel 71. The flag will remain up for one minute or until the OCS start is corrected (whichever comes first). If another OCS occurs while the X flag is displayed, it will remain displayed for one minute or until both OCS starts are corrected (whichever comes first). It is the responsibility of each boat to start correctly.

13 SHORTENED COURSE

13.1 The race committee may shorten the course with a signal from the Santa Barbara Yacht Club deck. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has finished the shortened leg. This modifies rule 32.

13.2 When the course is to be shortened, the shortened course will be signaled by the display of code flag 'S', accompanied by two sound signals.

13.3 For shortened courses, the finish will be between mark X and the SBYC flagpole. If the shortened leg is to the Gate (Gt) the finish will be between the gate marks. If the shortened leg is to the start/finish line on a twice around course the finish will be between marks F and G as shown on the current 2006 SBYC course chart.

14 THE FINISH

The finish will be between marks F and G, as shown on the current 2006 Santa Barbara Yacht Club Course Chart.

15 TIME LIMIT

The first boat must finish by 1630 hours or the race will be abandoned.

16 PROTESTS

16.1 Protests shall be lodged on US Sailing standard forms available in the Santa Barbara Yacht Club hallway, and must be delivered to the race committee within one hour of that yachts finish time.

16.2 Protests involving an infringement of a rule of Part 2 of the Racing Rules will be subject to non-binding arbitration in accordance with Santa Barbara Yacht Club Protest Arbitration Guidelines.

16.3 The arbitration committee will hear protests in the approximate order of the receipt as soon as practical.

17 SCORING

The boats will be scored in order of finish, except when the course is shortened or the race is resailed. When the course is shortened or resailed, the finish time of the boats will be recorded and the order of finish calculated on the basis of the boat's handicap.

18 PRIZES

The winner of the double-handed division shall receive the Doublehanded Regatta Perpetual Trophy. Competitors in each class will be awarded trophies depending on number of entries received.

19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Participants in this event compete 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 sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.