

SANTA BARBARA YACHT CLUB CLUB HANDICAP RACING FLEET



Goleta Pier Race – April 26 , 2009

NOR / Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

- 1.1 These SBYC Club Handicap Racing Fleet (CHRF) races will be governed by the 2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the USSA, SBYC's CHRF Racing rules, and the CHRF Race Committee Guidelines, except as these are altered by these Sailing Instructions (SIs).
- 1.2 All competitors shall carry safety equipment equivalent to the requirements for a PHRF Category 4 race.

2 ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 Eligible boats will be considered entered by completing the SBYC Race Entry Form (a one time requirement) and by sending a crew representative to sign the boat in with the Race Committee (RC) deck before the Skippers Meeting on the day of the race.
- 2.2 To become eligible for race trophies, a boat must first have completed three CHRF races to establish a handicap rating.

3 NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notice to competitors will be posted in Fleet e-mail or on the official notice chalkboard on the SBYC lower deck.
- 3.2 No skippers' meeting will be held. Boats must sign in with the RC on the deck before the race per 2.1 above. Failing to do so will result in a DNS.

4 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to these sailing instructions will be posted on the chalkboard located on the SBYC lower deck and posted one hour prior to the start of the race.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

All signals shall be made from the SBYC flagpole.

6 CLASS FLAG

The Class Flag shall be yellow with a black 'H' in the center.

7 THE COURSE

- 7.1 Course to be sailed will be from the starting line between F and G marks, leaving a temporary mark located approximately 300 feet south of the Goleta Pier to port, and returning to finish between F and G marks. The temporary mark will be an orange inflatable tetrahedron located at approximately Lat. 34' 24.92"N, and Long. 119° 49.68"W.
- 7.2 The rated course distance is 15.31 nm.

8 THE START

8.1 The start will be in accordance with RRS Rule 26:

<u>Time</u>	<u>Sequence</u>	<u>Visual</u>	<u>Audible Signal</u>
1155	Warning Signal	Class Flag - Up	Horn
1156	Preparation Signal	'P' Flag - Up	Horn
1159	One-Minute	'P' Flag - Down	Horn
1200	Start	Class Flag - Down	Horn

8.2 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SBYC yardarm.

8.3 The Starting Line will be between F and G on the SBYC 2009 Course Chart.

9 RECALLS

The Race Committee will signal a premature start by displaying Code Flag 'X' with horn sound signal. The RC may attempt to identify the over-early boat(s) on Channel 71. Failure to receive or hear this hail shall not be grounds for redress.

10 THE FINISH

The finish line will be between marks G and F as shown on the current SBYC 2009 Course Chart. The RC will sound a horn identifying qualified finishers.

11 TIME LIMIT

Qualified boats failing to finish by sundown will be scored "DNF". This modifies rules 35 and A4.1.

12 Penalty System

RRS Rule 44.2 is modified such that a boat may exonerate an infringement of a Part 2 Rule by completing one penalty turn including one tack and one gybe.

13 PROTESTS AND REDRESS

13.1 Protest shall be lodged on US Sailing standard forms available in the SBYC hallway and delivered to the RC within one hour of the protestor's finish.

13.2 Protests involving an infringement of a rule of Part 2 of the Racing Rules will be subject to nonbinding arbitration in accordance with SBYC Protest Arbitration Guidelines.

14 SCORING

Scoring will be by corrected time (elapsed time - spot time).

15 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Race competitors shall maintain radio communication by monitoring VHF Channel 71.

16 TROPHIES

Race day trophies will be awarded at SBYC.

The Goleta Pier Race also qualifies toward the Annual High Point Trophy.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Participants in this event complete at their own risk. See RRS 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.