

**SBYC DOUBLEHANDED &  
SHORTHANDED REGATTA  
November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**Sailing Instructions**

**1 RULES**

This regatta will be governed by the 200-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the US Sailing, the rules of the Southern California PHRF Fleet, and by these sailing Instructions. 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. The MIR rule will not be in effect.

**2 ENTRIES**

- 2.1 Participants may enter by submitting a completed race entry form to the Santa Barbara Yacht Club no later than 1100 hours on the day of the regatta. Race entry forms are available at the front desk of the clubhouse.
- 2.2 The regatta is open to PHRF boats sailing at their local buoy rating, and to: J-24's sailing at a handicap of 168; Melges 24s sailing at a handicap of 84; and J-105's sailing at a handicap of 90. (O-D boats must sail in class legal configurations.)
- 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 entry form prior to the entry deadline. They will be given a 30 seconds per mile 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 1130 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 1130 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.

## 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 to 65 feet	5 crew
Boats 66 feet and over	6 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).

10.3 The Gate (Gt) will be between marks F and G.

## 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.

12.2 The warning signal for the first starting boat will be at 1255 hours.

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

12.4 The race committee will 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 A shortened course will be signaled by the display of code flag 'S', accompanied by two sound signals.

13.3 For courses shortened on legs to mark X, 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 course chart.

### **14 THE FINISH**

The finish will be between marks F and G, as shown on the current 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 top finishers in the double-handed and short-handed divisions will receive take-home trophies. The double-handed winners will receive the Bill Daffron perpetual for 2009.

### **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.