Santa Barbara Yacht Club presents:
Double-Handed / Short-Handed Race
November 20, 2021

NOTICE OF RACE / SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organizing Authority for the 2021 Double-Handed / Short-Handed Race 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), applicable rules for One Design and PHRF classes and the US Safety Equipment Requirements "Near Shore".

1.2 Boats shall use Area I windward-leeward ratings and have current and valid PHRF rating certificates on the PHRF of Southern California website (www.phrfsocal.org) except as detailed in SI 3.3. Competitors from outside Area I shall use their PHRF regional windward-leeward rating.

1.3 Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, Rule V1 – Penalties at the time of the incident will apply.

1.4 RRS 55 is changed to allow for the disposal of biodegradable material used to band spinnakers. The penalty for breaking rule 55, Trash Disposal, is at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification. This changes rule 64.1.

1.6 Appendix T, Arbitration, Rule T1, T2, T3, and T4 will apply.

1.7 US Sailing prescriptions to rules 63.2 will not apply.

2 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

2.1 Boats shall comply with orders from the United States Coast Guard and adhere to US Coast Guard Regulations. Failure to comply with orders from the United States Coast Guard, Santa Barbara Harbor Patrol or any other recognized authority is grounds for disqualification without hearing at the discretion of the Race Committee. This Changes Rule 63.1.

2.2 Boats shall comply with the US Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER) except as modified by the notice of race and these sailing instructions. The course is classified as a Near Shore Race. The equipment requirements are available at: https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/safety-information/ser-world-sailing-special-regulations/.

The US Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER) are changed for the following sections:

2.2.1 USSER 3.8.2 is changed to omit the final sentence requiring DSC/GPS capability. It is a recommendation for the race.

2.2.2 For USSER 3.19.1, the words 'permanently mounted' are deleted. A permanently mounted magnetic compass is a recommendation for the race.

2.2.3 Boats using a 'One Design' PHRF configuration may use that One Design classes' published safety standards instead of the US Sailing Near Shore Safety Equipment Requirements.

3 ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY

3.1 This regatta is open to all members of the Santa Barbara Yacht Club as well as members of other clubs belonging to US Sailing.

3.2 Valid PHRF rating certificates for PHRF boats must be on file and listed online with SoCal PHRF (http://phrfsocal.org) no later than 1000 on the day of the race.

3.3 One design boats in recognized SBYC classes may enter without PHRF certificates using the local class ratings listed below, at the discretion of the race committee.

3.3.1 One design rating (standard configuration):
Harbor 20 = 216; J/70 = 114 J/105 = 90; Melges 24 = 90 J/24 = 168

3.3.2 One design ratings (no-spinnaker):
Harbor 20 = 234; J/70 = 152 J/105 = 119; Melges 24 = 106 J/24 = 183

3.4 Eligible boats may enter the race by submitting a completed race entry form available online at

https://sbyc.org/racing.

3.5 There is no entry fee for this event.

4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

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

5 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to these sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board no later than one hour prior to the start of the race.

6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SBYC flagpole.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1 *Saturday, November 20th*

1330	First Warning Signal
After Racing	Awards and post-race hors d'oeuvres at SBYC

7.2 One race will be held simultaneously for the two divisions (double-handed & short-handed). The race will be started in reverse handicap order. The starting time for each boat will be provided at the competitor meeting and posted online at https://sbyc.org/racing.

8 CLASS FLAGS

The class flag will be numeral pennant '1'.

9 CREW

9.1 Short-Handed Division: Crewmembers are limited in number to that which is indicated below. Boats that race with more than the prescribed number of crew will be disqualified without a hearing. This changes rule 61.2.

- Boats 30 to 38 feet 3 crew
- Boats 38.1 to 50 feet 4 crew
- Boats 50.1 to 65 feet 5 crew
- Boats 65.1 and over 6 crew

9.2 Double-Handed Division: Crewmembers are limited to two persons per boat.

9.3 Boats sailing with two crew members total including the skipper shall be scored in the double-handed division.

10 RACING AREA

10.1 The racing area will be as designated on the current SBYC course chart, which is available on the SBYC website – https://www.sbyc.org.

10.2 The areas defined by lines commencing at the nearest shores and connecting each contiguous City of Santa Barbara swim buoy are classified as obstructions. Boats crossing these lines shall exit immediately and retire from the race.

11 THE COURSE

11.1 Courses will be taken from the current version of the SBYC Course Chart. The course for each race will be posted on placards from the SBYC deck with the preparatory signal for each class.

11.2 When a letter 'R' placard follows the course number, the course shall be sailed in the reverse direction. Marks shall be passed in reverse order and on the opposite side listed on the course chart.

11.3 When a letter 'T' placard follows the course number, the course shall be sailed two times around. The start/finish line will be required at the beginning of the second lap.

11.4 The gate designated as 'Gt' on the SBYC course chart shall be between mark 'F' and mark 'X'.

12 MARKS

12.1 Marks will be as designated on the current version of the SBYC course chart. All marks are situated near the GPS coordinates shown on the course chart but are subject to natural influence.

12.2 Marks may be yellow, white or orange cylinders except that: 'BB' is the red/white navigational bell buoy; and Mark 'C' & Mark 'M' are white city anchorage boundary buoys with lights on top. Any permanent mark may be substituted with a temporary or inflatable mark without prior notice.

12.3 In the event of a missing mark, boats shall return to the starting line as soon as possible for a restart and monitor VHF channel 71.

13 START

13.1 The start sequence shall be in accordance with RRS 26, with the warning given 5 minutes before the start.

13.2 The start line will be between mark 'F' and mark 'G' as shown on the SBYC course chart.

14 RECALLS

The Race Committee may attempt to hail any over-early boat(s) on Channel 71. Failure to hail or failure to hear the hail shall not be grounds for redress. It is the yacht's sole responsibility to start correctly.

15 SHORTENED COURSE AFTER THE START

15.1 The race committee may shorten a course. A shortened course will be signaled from the Santa Barbara Yacht Club deck before the leading boat has finished the leg.

15.2 The shortened course shall be signaled by displaying code flag 'S' with two sound signals and displaying the class placard(s) for the class or classes to be shortened.

15.3 The finish line for the shortened course shall be at the next required mark or gate.

i.) For legs to mark 'X', the shortened course will be finished between mark 'X' and the flagpole on the SBYC deck.

ii.) For legs to the start/finish line at the beginning of a second lap, the finish shall be between mark 'F' and mark 'G'.

iii.) For legs to the gate, boats will be finished between mark 'X' and mark 'F'.

iv.) For legs to mark 'F', the shortened course will be finished between mark 'F' and the flagpole on the SBYC deck.

15.4 In the event of an abandoned race, the race committee may notify competitors on VHF Channel 71 following the raising of code flag 'N' with the class placards of the abandoned classes. Separate announcements will be made for each class abandoned. Abandonment of one class does not constitute abandonment of other classes.

16 THE FINISH

The finish line will be between marks 'F' and 'G' as shown on the attached SBYC course chart.

17 PENALTY SYSTEM

17.1 Appendix V, Rule V1 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 one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while *racing.* However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in

the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'

17.2 Appendix T, Rule T1 – Post Race Penalties will apply:

(a) Provided that rule 44.1(b) does not apply, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident may take a Post-Race Penalty at any time after the race until the beginning of a protest hearing involving the incident.

(b) A Post-Race Penalty is a 30% Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rule 44.1(a) applies.

(c) A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by delivering to the arbitrator or a member of the protest committee a written statement that she accepts the penalty and that identifies the race number and where and when the incident occurred.

18 TIME LIMIT

18.1 The first boat must finish by 1545 or the race will be abandoned.

18.2 All boats must finish within one hour of the first boat to finish, or they will be scored DNF.

19 PROTESTS

19.1 Protests and Requests for Redress shall be written on US Sailing standard forms located at the SBYC front desk. Protests and Requests for Redress shall be filed with the Race Committee within one hour of the last boat in its class' finish time.

19.2 Appendix T – Arbitration, Rules T1, T2, T3, and T4 will apply.

19.3 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.

19.4 A request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered within 24 hours of the protest committee decision being posted on the official notice board. This changes rule 66.

19.5 A request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 24 hours after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

20 SCORING

20.1 The low-point scoring system of Appendix A will apply. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

20.2 Boats will be scored by order of finish with the exception of a shortened course, in which case boats will be scored by corrected time on distance according to each boat's handicap rating.

21 RADIO COMMUNICATION

The race committee will communicate to competitors via VHF Channel 71.

22 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the top finishers in the double-handed and short-handed division. The Bill Daffron Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the winner of the double-handed division.

23 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform, and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing it the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**