



**OCEANSIDE YACHT CLUB**  
**ELIZABETH HOSPICE CHARITY REGATTA**  
**August 14 & 15, 2010**  
**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1. RULES**

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 (RRS), the prescriptions of US SAILING, the rules of each of the classes, the Notice of Race (except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions) and by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. Yachts racing in PHRF classes must have a valid 2010 Southern California PHRF certificate rating between -18 and 240 and may be entered by filing an official entry form with Oceanside Yacht Club in accordance with the Notice of Race.
- 1.3. Yachts in the Cruising Class without a PHRF certificate will be assigned a rating by the Race Committee.
- 1.4. Racing yachts encountering non-racing craft shall conform to the Inland Rules of the Road.

**2. CLASSES**

- 2.1. The classes to compete shall include the following:  
PHRF Class A, PHRF Class B, PHRF Class C, and Cruising Class
  - 2.1.1. Additional classes may be established and announced at the Competitor's Meeting.
- 2.2. Cruising Class: A class has been established for cruising yachts using headsails only (RRS 50.4), no spinnakers can be used. However, Cruising Class yachts may use gennakers for this regatta.
  - 2.2.1. Cruising Class yachts may operate their motor no sooner than 10 minutes after their start. Motors shall not be operated within 10 minutes prior to finishing. Motors may be operated for a maximum of 15 minutes per race with a scoring penalty of one (1) minute for each minute of operation. Each skipper shall maintain a log of motor operation during the race and submit same to Race Committee.

**3. ENTRIES**

- 3.1. A signed entry must be filed for each boat in agreement with the notice and invitation to race. The individual signing the entry will be responsible for the boat and persons on board throughout the event.
- 3.2. Entry forms and entry fee must be submitted to the Race Committee no later than 1700 on Friday, August 6, to rank as an eligible boat. A late entry fee will apply to boats entering after the date noted above.
- 3.3. Registration must be completed at OYC prior to racing on the water. There will be no on-the-water registration.
- 3.4. Eligible boats shall complete the entry process with a valid check-in as described in Instruction 12.0.
- 3.5. Three or more boats entered and ranking as starters establish a class.
- 3.6. Registration and competitor's meeting will take place at Oceanside Yacht Club as identified in the Notice of Race.
- 3.7. A representative from each boat must register or check-in with the Regatta Registration Team between 1700 and 1900 on Friday, August 13 or between 0830-0930 on Saturday, August 14.

**4. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS**

- 4.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located on Oceanside Yacht Club balcony and downstairs office window.

**5. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 5.1. Any changes in the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located on Oceanside Yacht Club balcony and/or downstairs office window before 1000 on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

**6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 6.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the OYC flagpole.

**7. COMPETITOR'S MEETING**

- 7.1. A competitor's meeting will be held at 0930 on Saturday, August 14 at the OYC Bar. Any questions with respect to the conduct of the regatta must be addressed in writing to the Race Committee by 0950 August 14.

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## 8. SCHEDULE OF RACES

### 8.1. PHRF Classes

Three W-L races are scheduled for Saturday and one random leg race for Sunday for a total of four races. The Race Committee reserves the right to have additional or fewer races each day depending on their judgement as to the weather and in the best interest of the regatta.

### 8.2. Cruising Class

Two random leg races are scheduled for Saturday and one random leg race for Sunday for a total of three races. The Race Committee reserves the right to have additional or fewer races each day depending on their judgment as to the weather and in the best interest of the regatta.

8.3. No warning signal will be made after 1500 on each day of racing.

## 9. CLASS BREAKS, RACE AREAS

9.1. Class breaks for all classes will be announced at the Competitor's Meeting and posted by 1000 on Saturday August 14, 2010.

9.2. The anticipated starting order is as listed in 9.3. Race Committee reserves the right to alter this order as needed.

9.3. The *anticipated* order of the *first* start is as follows, or as indicated by the Race Committee.

Cruising Class - Green Flag

PHRF-A – Yellow Flag

PHRF-B – Purple Flag

PHRF-NonSpinnaker – Pink Flag

## 10. RACING AREA

10.1. The races will be sailed in the Pacific Ocean off Oceanside, CA and will be located as shown in Attachments 1 and 2 south of the Oceanside Harbor entrance.

## 11. THE COURSE

11.1. **Windward/Leeward Course** - The course will be selected from the attached Course Description, Attachment 2. This illustration shows the courses, the order in which the marks are to be rounded and the side on which each mark is to be left.

11.1.1. The number of the course to be sailed will be signaled from the stern of the R/C vessel using placards. The approximate bearing to Mark "W" will be displayed on the R/C vessel using a chalk board.

11.1.2. Altering RRS 27.1 the course number and the weather mark indication will be displayed no later than the Preparatory Signal for each class.

11.1.3. The start/finish line shall be considered restricted except when starting or finishing.

11.2. **Random Leg Course**- Candidate courses for all classes are listed in the attached course description Attachment 1 for random leg races.

11.2.1. The number of the course to be sailed will be signaled from the stern R/C vessel using placards. The approximate bearing to Mark "W" will be displayed on the R/C vessel using a chalk board.

11.2.2. Altering RRS 27.1 the course number and the weather mark indication will be displayed no later than the Preparatory Signal for each class.

11.2.3. The approximate magnetic heading between marks is indicated on Attachment 1.

11.2.4. The start/finish line shall be considered restricted except when starting or finishing.

## 12. CHECK-IN

12.1. Before the first warning signal for her first race each day, each boat shall sail past the Race Committee boat on a starboard tack and announce her sail number and class and shall obtain recognition of her sail number by the Race Committee. Any boat that fails to check in will be considered DNS.

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## 13. MARKS

- 13.1. *Windward/Leeward Course*-The start/finish mark will be a permanent yellow spar buoy and marks L and W will be an ORANGE inflatable shape.
  - 13.1.1. Alternate marks, when used as described in instruction 16.0, Change of Course after the Start, will be a yellow inflatable shape.
- 13.2. *Random Leg Course*- The start/finish mark and all other marks of the course will be permanent yellow spar buoys.

## 14. THE START

- 14.1. Races will start in accordance with RRS 26 using 5-minute intervals.
- 14.2. The starting line will be between a staff with an orange flag displayed on the R/C vessel and a yellow spar buoy.
- 14.3. A distance buoy may be streaming after the R/C boat and if present shall be considered part of the R/C boat.

## 15. RECALLS

- 15.1. A General Recall will be made in accordance with rule 29.2.
- 15.2. Individual recalls will be made in accordance with rule 29.1.

## 16. CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

- 16.1. *Windward-Leeward Course*-A change of course after the start will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the new mark may not be in position. The new mark will be identified per instruction 13.1.1. When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced it will be replaced with an original mark.

## 17. THE FINISH

- 17.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the R/C boat and a yellow spar buoy.

## 18. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 18.1. Rule 44.2, will apply, except that one complete 360° turn, including one tack and one gybe, is prescribed rather than two turns penalty.

## 19. TIME LIMIT

- 19.1. Any boat not finishing within thirty minutes of the first boat in her class will be scored DNF. This alters RRS 35.

## 20. RETIREMENT

- 20.1. A boat that retires from a race must notify the Race Committee boat via Channel 68 before leaving the race area. If that is impossible, then immediately after arriving ashore, the competitor shall notify a regatta representative.

## 21. PROTESTS

- 21.1. The provisions of Rule 61 shall be followed by a yacht which intends to protest. Protests concerning Part 2 of RRS will be heard in mediation.
- 21.2. A boat intending to protest another boat for a foul shall:
  - 21.2.1. Hail "protest"
  - 21.2.2. Display a red flag at the first reasonable opportunity and keep it displayed until acknowledged by the Race Committee at the finish of the race in which the foul occurred.
  - 21.2.3. Notify the Race Committee immediately upon finishing of your intent to protest.
  - 21.2.4. File a written protest within thirty (30) minutes of the docking of the Race Committee.
  - 21.2.5. It is the responsibility of each skipper lodging a protest to comply with Rule 61 and present himself or his representative pursuant to instruction 22.1.

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## **22. MEDIATION**

- 22.1. After protests alleging violations of Part 2 of the RRS are filed pursuant to instruction 21, one representative from each yacht involved will testify before a mediator. RRS 63 will apply. No witnesses or other parties will be allowed to attend the mediation hearing.
- 22.2. After hearing the testimony the mediator will make one of the following decisions:
  - a) There is no foul; if both parties agree, the protest is disallowed and cannot be reopened.
  - b) There is a foul. The offending yacht has the option of accepting the penalty or submitting the matter to the Protest Committee. The penalty will be 20% of the number of yachts in the class, rounding .5 upward. If the penalty is accepted, the matter is closed and cannot be reopened, appealed or redressed.
  - c) Direct the matter to the Protest Committee for a full hearing. The mediator will not be a member of that committee, nor will he communicate his reasoning to that committee.

## **23. SCORING**

- 23.1. The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply. Four races are scheduled for all PHRF, and One Design classes and three for Cruising Class, of which two completed, shall constitute a series. Each boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races. (No races will be discarded)

## **24. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 24.1. A boat shall not receive electronic information not available to all boats while racing.

## **25. TROPHIES**

- 25.1. Trophies for all classes will be awarded after the last race of the regatta on Sunday, August 15.