

STARLIGHT SERIES

Thursdays, May 8 - August 7, 2014 Except July 24, 2014 Marina del Rey, California USA



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Organizing Authority is California Yacht Club (CYC), located at 4469 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey, CA 90292

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1. RULES

- 1.1 This series is governed by the *rules* as defined in the 2013-2016 Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Each entrant must meet the eligibility, entry and fee requirements in the Notice of Race for this regatta on the CYC website.
- 1.3 Rule 63.7 is replaced with: "If there is a conflict between a rule in the Notice of Race and one in the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall apply.
- 1.4 Rule 82 will not apply. Competitors must submit the standard CYC Entry Form, available at Regatta Network or CYC

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the bulletin board located outside the main entrance of the CYC clubhouse (Official Notice Board).

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 1600 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 hours on the Thursday before it will take effect. The Race Committee (RC) may make oral changes while on the water after displaying code flag "L".

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

The Warning Signal will be at 1757 hours for the first race each evening with up to four (4) races scheduled. There will be no race on July 24. The RC, at its discretion, may run fewer races.

5. CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be the course designator (numeral pennant 1, 2, 3, 45, or 6).

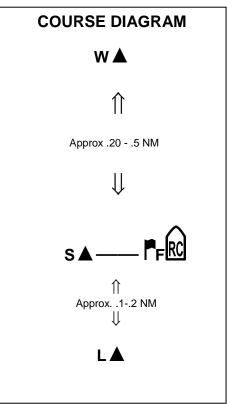
6. RACING AREA

The racing area will be on Santa Monica Bay approximately 0.25 nautical miles northwest of the Marina del Rey breakwater.

7. COURSES

- 7.1 The Course Diagram at right shows the relative position of the Starting Line and Marks **W**, **S**, **F**, and **L**. Mark positions are approximate and may be adjusted to accommodate wind conditions.
- 7.2 Marks **W** and **L** shall be left to port.
- 7.3 The following courses will be used:

Pennant	Course Description
1	Start – W – L – Finish
2	Start - W - L - W - L - Finish
3	Start – W – L – W – Finish
4	Start – W – Finish
5	Start – W – Finish at CYC Hoist
6	To be described by RC



8. MARKS

Marks W, L, and S will be orange or yellow inflatable shapes. Mark F will be an orange flag on the RC boat.

9. THE START

- 9.1 The starting line will be between Mark **S** at the left hand end and Mark **F** at the right hand end.
- 9.2 Races will be started using the following modifications of Appendix S
 - (a) One sound signal will be made at the warning (3 minutes), the preparatory signal (2 minutes), the lowering of the preparatory signal (one long sound at 1 minute) and at the start.
 - (b) Sound signals will not be made at other times indicated in S3.
- 9.3 A boat starting more than three (3) minutes after her Starting Signal will be scored DNS. This changes rules 63.1, A4.1 and A5.

10. THE FINISH

For Courses 1, 2, 3 and 4, the finishing line will be between Mark **S** at one end and Mark **F** at the other end. For Course 5, the finishing line will be a line drawn from the base of the western-most hoist at CYC directly across the channel. Competitors are reminded as per the US SAILING prescription to rule 34, if the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report to the race committee her finishing time and her position in relation to nearby boats at the first reasonable opportunity.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

Appendix T, Section A, Penalties While Racing, 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 a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty".

12. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 12.1 Appendix T, Section C, Expedited Hearings, rules T3 and T4 will apply, except rules T4.5 and T4.6.
- 12.2 Protests shall be filed with the RC within thirty (30) minutes after the RC boat has docked. Protest forms will be available on the Sail Notice Board located next to the Fleet Room at CYC.
- 12.3 Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible but, at the discretion of the RC, may be heard at another date convenient to all parties to the protest.

13. SCORING

- 13.1 All scores each evening will count.
- 13.2 The series will be scored using a modified High-Point System, counting each boat's final standing from each evening as a single score, excluding her worst three (3) final standings. Points equal to the number of competitors that evening will be awarded to first place; points equal to the number of competitors minus one (1) will be awarded to second place; and so forth up to the last place boat which will be awarded one (1) point. Boats that do not compete on a given evening will be awarded zero (0) points.

14. PRIZES

- 14.1 Prizes for each evening will be awarded at CYC as soon as possible after racing. There will be a first place trophy for the evening's overall winner.
- 14.2 Series prizes will be awarded at a dinner to be announced at a later date.
- 14.3 Starlight Series Perpetual Trophies will be awarded to the overall winner.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. By participating in this regatta, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers (organizing authority, host yacht club, race committee, protest committee, sponsors, and any others acting in an official capacity for this regatta) from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this regatta to the fullest extent permitted by law.