



Pacific Cup Deepwater Series

Saturday, July 11, Saturday, August 15 and Saturday, September 12, 2015
Marina del Rey, California USA

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL INFORMATION

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1. RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the **rules** as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Each entrant must meet the eligibility, entry and fee requirements as outlined in the Notice of Race for this regatta.
- 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 through the on-line entry process or at California Yacht Club.
- 1.5 The PHRF of Southern California (SoCal PHRF) "Marine Industry Racer Rule" will not apply.

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) and on the [Pacific Cup Deepwater Series](http://Pacific Cup Deepwater Series website) website.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted no later than 1000 on the day it will take effect and will be available on the water at the race committee (RC) signal boat.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole located on the CYC front lawn.
- 4.2 When the Answering Pennant (AP) is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced by "not less than sixty (60) minutes" in the RRS Race Signals.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 For all classes, one (1) race is scheduled on Saturday July 11, Saturday August 15 and Saturday September 12, 2015.
- 5.2 The Warning Signal for the first start each day is scheduled for 1155.

6. CLASSES/CLASS FLAGS/ORDER OF STARTS

- 6.1 Classes will be established based on entries received by 1700 on Friday, July 10, with a minimum of five (5) paid entries necessary to establish a class.
- 6.2 Classes for all races will be posted on the official notice board and on-line at Pacific Cup Deepwater Series by 1900 on Friday, July 10. This changes the NOR.
- 6.3 Class flags and the order of starts for the July 11 and August 15 races will be posted on the official notice board and on-line at Pacific Cup Deepwater Series by 1900 on Friday, July 10. This changes the NOR.
- 6.4 Boats entered in the September 12 inverted start race will be assigned an individual starting time based on their rating and the handicap course length. The list of starting times will be posted on the official notice board and on-line at Pacific Cup Deepwater Series by 1900 on Friday, September 11.

7. RACING AREA

The racing area will be on Santa Monica Bay.

8. MARKS

Marks are described in a separate Course Annex, which will be posted on the official notice board and on-line at Pacific Cup Deepwater Series by 1900 on Friday before each race day.

9. COURSES

- 9.1 Courses are random leg courses and a separate Course Annex for each race will be posted on the official notice board and on-line at [Pacific Cup Deepwater Series](#) by 1900 on Friday before each race day.
- 9.2 For the July 11 and August 15 races, at the Warning Signal for each class the RC will display the course letter flag. For the September 12 inverted start race, there will be only one Warning Signal, and code flag K will be displayed (see **SI 10.2**).
- 9.3 The RC will broadcast the course for each class on VHF Channel 68 (see **SI 16**).

10. THE START (See appropriate Course Annex for diagrams)

- 10.1 The start for the July 11 and August 15 races is described below:
- (a) Races will be started using rule 26 with the following modification: The Starting Signal for each class shall be the Warning Signal for the next, with classes starting at five (5) minute intervals in the order posted per **SI 6.3**.
 - (b) For the July 11 race, the starting line will be between an orange flag on the RC signal boat at the right-hand end and **MDR Mark "SS"** at the left-hand end.
 - (c) For the August 15 race, the starting line will be between an orange flag on the RC signal boat at the right-hand end and **MDR Mark "S"** at the left-hand end.
 - (d) A boat that starts more than five (5) minutes after her Starting Signal shall be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes rules 63.1, A4.1 and A5.
 - (e) Boats that are subject to rule 29.1 (Individual Recall) at their Starting Signal may be hailed by sail number on VHF channel 68 (see **SI 16**).
- 10.2 The start for the September 12 inverted start race is described below:
- (a) The starting line will be between **MDR Mark "S"** at the left-hand end and an orange flag on the RC boat at the right-hand end.
 - (b) Rule 26 will apply for the first boat(s) to start. The Starting Signal for subsequent boats (or group of boats) will be signaled by a single horn. The entire sequence will be as follows:

Signal	Visual and Sound Signals	Time
Warning	Code Flag K up; 1 sound	1155
Preparatory	Code Flag P up; 1 sound	1156
	Code Flag P down; 1 long horn	1159
Start – 1 st boat(s)	Code Flag K down; 1 sound	1200
Start – 2 nd boat(s)	1 horn	TBD
Start – 3 rd boat(s) ... etc.	1 horn	TBD

- (c) Starting Signals for each boat(s) after the first boat(s) will be made with a horn. The RC may count down the last five (5) seconds before the Starting Time for each boat via VHF channel 68.
 - (d) After the Warning Signal for the first boat, a boat shall not sail within three (3) of her hull lengths of the starting line unless there are fewer than 4 minutes to her start or there are no other boats with fewer than 4 minutes to their start. Only the RC may protest under this provision; this changes rule 60. The penalty imposed, if any, shall be at the discretion of the protest committee.
 - (e) If a boat is subject to Rule 29.1 (Individual Recall) at her Starting Signal, code flag X will be displayed without a sound signal for up to twenty (20) seconds. The lowering of code flag X shall not be construed that a boat has complied with Rule 29.1. This changes Rule 29.1. The RC will attempt to hail boats that are subject to Rule 29.1 at their Starting Signal and may also hail boats when they have returned to the pre-start side of the starting line on VHF channel 68.
11. **THE FINISH** (See appropriate Course Annex diagrams)
The finishing line will be between the green light on the southeast end of the Marina del Rey detached breakwater at the left-hand end and an orange flag on the RC finish boat at the right-hand end. The RC finish boat will be anchored near the mouth of Ballona Creek.
12. **PENALTY SYSTEM**
Appendix T, Section A, Penalties While Racing, rule T1 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".

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1 Appendix T, Section C, Expedited Hearings, rules T3 and T4 will apply, except rule T4.6.
- 13.2 Protests shall be filed at the CYC Fleet Room no later than forty five (45) minutes after the RC signal boat docks (Protest Time Limit), which time will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than fifteen (15) minutes after the RC signal boat docks. Protest forms will be available on the Sail Notice Board located next to the Fleet Room, upstairs in the CYC clubhouse.
- 13.3 No later than fifteen (15) minutes after the RC signal boat docks, a notice of boats that have been scored OCS or have been penalized under **SI 10.1(d)** for that day will be posted on the Official Notice Board. The deadline for a request for redress based on this list will be the Protest Time Limit for that day. This changes rule 62.2.
- 13.4 No later than fifteen (15) minutes after the Protest Time Limit, a notice of filed protests and requests for redress will be posted on the Official Notice Board. This will constitute notice to all parties to a hearing under rule 63.2.
- 13.5 Protests and requests for redress will be heard in the approximate order of receipt as soon as possible.

14. SCORING

- 14.1 All race scores will count.
- 14.2 For the July 11 and August 15 races, PHRF classes, including Cruising classes, will be scored using SoCal PHRF Area B RLC Ratings using the Time on Distance method.
- 14.3 For the September 12 inverted start race, starting times for boats will be calculated using SoCal PHRF Area B RLC ratings and based on the handicap course distance. Boats will be scored within their class and overall (all classes combined).
- 14.4 One (1) race must be completed to constitute a series.

15. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 15.1 Boats in all classes must carry the safety equipment required by the U.S. Safety Equipment Requirements for US Nearshore Races (Definition 1.0.3). Refer to: <http://www.ussailing.org/safety/equipmentandrequirements/>.
- 15.2 A boat that withdraws from a race prior to finishing or does not intend to start a scheduled race shall notify the RC either before leaving the course area or as soon as possible after arriving ashore.

16. RADIO COMMUNICATION

The RC may use VHF channel 68 to broadcast information such as location of the RC signal boat, notification of upcoming starting sequences, the class starting, the course to be sailed and as provided under **SI 10**. Failure of the RC to transmit, mistaken transmissions, or failure of a competitor to receive this information shall not be considered grounds for granting redress. This changes rule 62.

17. PRIZES

- 17.1 Prizes will be awarded after racing each day based on the number of entries in each class.
- 17.2 On September 12, overall class series take-home trophies will be presented and the Pacific Cup Deepwater Series perpetual trophy will be awarded to the class series winners.
- 17.3 Boats shall sail in at least two (2) races to qualify for series trophies.

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. By participating in this event, 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 event) from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.