



# STARLIGHT SERIES

Thursdays, May 18 – July 27, 2017  
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 *Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Each entrant must meet the eligibility, entry and fee requirements in the [Notice of Race](#) for this series.
- 1.3 Rule 82 will not apply. Competitors must complete the Race Entry Agreement through online registration or submit a CYC Race Entry form.

### 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 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the Friday 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

- 4.1 Four (4) races are scheduled each evening. This changes the NOR. The RC, at its discretion, may run fewer races.
- 4.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each evening is no earlier than 1800. Subsequent races will start as soon as practicable.

### 5. CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be the course designator (numeral pennant 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6).

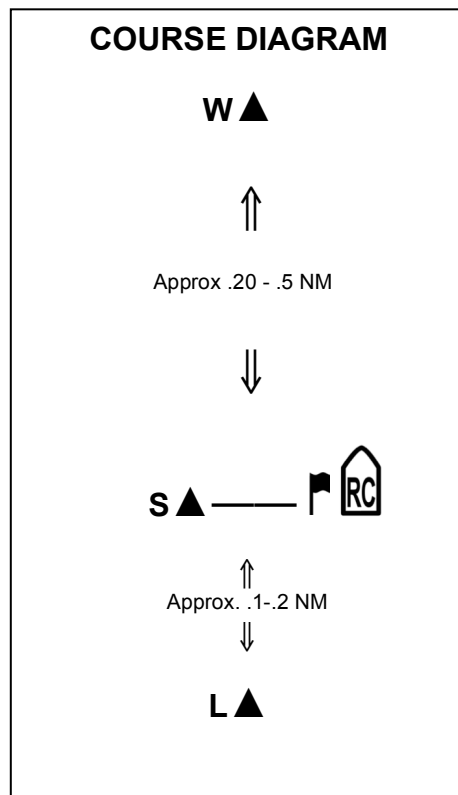
### 6. RACING AREA

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** 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 Guest Dock
6	To be described by RC



## **8. MARKS**

Marks **W**, **L**, and **S** will be orange or yellow inflatable shapes.

## **9. THE START**

9.1 Races will be started using Appendix S with the following modifications:

(a) Three (3) long sounds will be made at the warning signal (3 minutes), two (2) long sounds at the preparatory signal (2 minutes), one (1) long sound one minute before the start (1 minute) and one (1) long sound at the starting signal.

(b) Sound signals will not be made at the other times indicated in S3.

9.2 The starting line will be between Mark **S** at its port end and the staff of an orange and white checkered flag on the RC boat at its starboard end.

9.3 A boat that starts more than three (3) minutes after her starting signal shall be scored DNS. This changes rules 63.1, A4.1 and A5.

## **10. THE FINISH**

10.1 For Courses 1, 2, 3 and 4, the finishing line will be between Mark **S** at one end and the staff of an orange and white checkered flag on the RC boat at the other end. For Course 5, the finishing line will be a line drawn from the southern, outboard end of the CYC guest dock perpendicular to the main channel.

10.2 The blue flag or shape will not be used at the finishing line. This changes the RRS Race Signals.

10.3 Competitors are reminded that, per the US Sailing Prescription to rule 34, if the RC is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time and her position in relation to nearby boats to the RC at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **11. PENALTY SYSTEM**

Appendix V, Section V1, Penalty at the Time of an Incident, will apply.

## **12. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

12.1 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, upstairs in the CYC clubhouse.

12.2 Protests will be heard in the approximate 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 race 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**

There will be a first place trophy for the evening's overall winner, awarded at CYC as soon as possible after racing.

## **15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in this event 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.