



STARLIGHT SERIES

Thursdays, May 9 – August 15, 2019
 (no racing May 23 or July 4)
 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
 Phone: 310.823.4567 | Web: www.cal yachtclub.com
 Series Chairs: Sue Service, Norm Belcher & Denny Haythorn – See SI 16 for contact info

1. RULES

- 1.1 This series will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 US Sailing Prescription, RRS 82 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).

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. The RC, at its discretion, may run fewer races.
- 4.2 The time of the first warning signal each evening will be no earlier than 1757. 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.

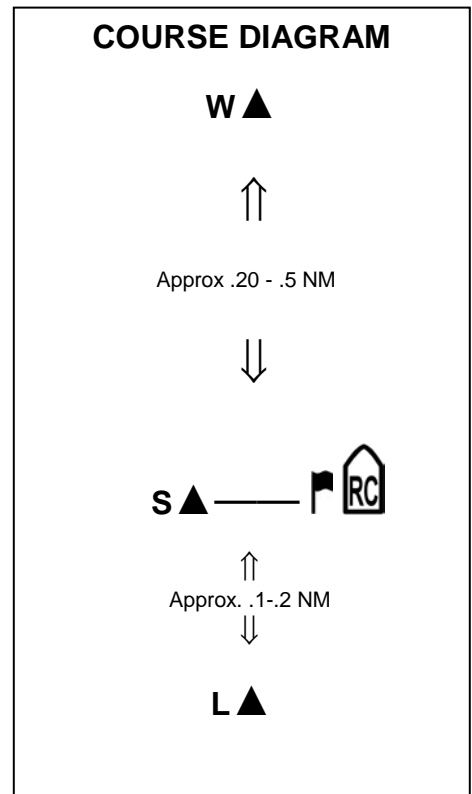
7. MARKS

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

8. COURSES

- 8.1 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.
- 8.2 Marks W and L shall be rounded to port.
- 8.3 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



9. THE START

- 9.1 Races will be started using US Sailing Prescription, Appendix U, Audible-Signal Racing System. The starting sequence of U3 is deleted and replaced with the following:

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Sound</i>	<i>Time before start</i>
Warning	3 long	3 minutes
Preparatory	2 long	2 minutes
	1 long	1 minute
Starting	1 long	0

- 9.2 The starting line will be between the course side of Mark S and the staff of an orange and white checkered flag on the RC signal boat.
- 9.3 A boat that starts more than three (3) minutes after her starting signal shall be scored DNS. This change is added to RRS 63.1 and A5.

10. THE FINISH

- 10.1 For Courses 1, 2, 3 and 4, the finishing line will be between the course side of Mark S at one end and the staff of an orange and white checkered flag on the RC signal boat at the other end. For Course 5, the finishing line will be a line drawn from the southwest corner 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 RRS 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

US Sailing Prescription, 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 signal boat docks (Protest Time Limit). Protest forms will be available on the Sail Notice Board located next to the Fleet Room, upstairs in the CYC clubhouse.
- 12.2 US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.2 and 63.4 will not apply.
- 12.3 Protests will be heard as soon as possible in the approximate order of receipt but, at the discretion of the RC, may be heard at another date convenient to all parties to the protest.

13. SCORING

- 13.1 A boat's final standing for each evening will be the total of her race scores for that evening.
- 13.2 A boat's series score will be calculated using a modified High Point System, counting each boat's final standing from each evening as a single score. For each evening in the series, a boat shall receive a score calculated as follows (rounded to three decimal places):

$$1 + \left(\left(\frac{\text{starters placing after her} + 0.5}{\text{starters}} \right) \times 9 \right)$$

"Starters" is the maximum number of boats that crossed the starting line after or just before the starting signal over all races conducted in an evening (i.e., all official "starters" plus any OCS boats). A boat that did not compete shall be scored one (1) point. A boat that did not enter shall be scored zero (0) points.

- 13.3 If any particular boat participates in at least one race of every evening in the series, the series score for all boats will be the sum of her individual evening scores. If the maximum number of evenings missed by any particular boat is one (1), then the series score for all boats will be the sum of her individual evening scores, excluding her worst score. Otherwise, the series score for all boats will be the sum of her individual evening scores, excluding her two (2) worst scores.

14. PRIZES

There will be a first place trophy for each 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 RRS 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 regatta) from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this regatta to the fullest extent permitted by law.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

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