



## 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. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1.1 Any written change to the Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be posted no later than 1600 on the day it takes effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the Friday before it takes effect.
- 1.2 Oral changes to the SIs may be made on the water by the Race Committee (RC) signal boat displaying code flag L with one sound signal. This means “come within hail” of the RC signal boat to receive any oral changes.

### 2. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board which is the [Starlight](#) webpage.
- 2.2 On the water, the Race Committee (RC) intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on loudhailer. Failure of the RC to hail, mistaken hails, or failure of a competitor to receive this information will not be grounds for a request for redress. This change is added to RRS 60.1(b).

### 3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole on the CYC front lawn.
- 3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced by “not less than sixty (60) minutes” in Race Signals AP.

### 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 is no earlier than 1757. Subsequent races will start as soon as practicable.

### 5. CLASS FLAG

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

### 6. RACING AREA

The racing area is on Santa Monica Bay with the starting area approximately 0.25 nautical miles northwest of the Marina del Rey breakwater.

### 7. MARKS

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

### 8. COURSES

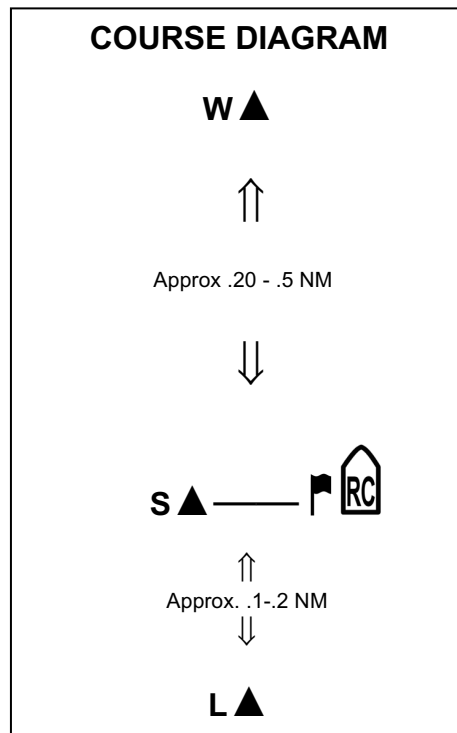
8.1 The Course Diagram at right shows the relative position of the starting line and Marks W, S and L. Mark positions are approximate and may be adjusted to accommodate wind conditions.

8.2 Marks W and L shall be rounded to port.

8.3 The following courses are 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

### COURSE DIAGRAM



## 9. THE START

- 9.1 Races are 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 is between the course side of Mark S and the staff of an orange and white checkered flag on the RC signal boat.
- 9.3 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the RC may attempt to hail her sail number on the loudhailer.
- 9.4 A boat that does not start within three (3) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This change is added to RRS A5.1.

## 10. THE FINISH

- 10.1 For Courses 1, 2, 3 and 4, the finishing line is between the course side of Mark S and the staff of an orange and white checkered flag on the RC signal boat. For Course 5, the finishing line is a line drawn from the southwest corner of the CYC guest dock perpendicular to the main channel.
- 10.2 Competitors are reminded that, per 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, applies.

## 12. HEARING REQUESTS

- 12.1 Protests shall be filed with the RC within thirty (30) minutes after the RC signal boat docks (Protest Time Limit). Protest forms are available at the Starlight Series webpage.
- 12.2 US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 do not apply.
- 12.3 Protests will be heard 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 A boat's final standing for each evening is the total of her race scores for that evening.
- 13.2 A boat's series score is 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 is 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 is the sum of her individual evening scores, excluding her worst score. Otherwise, the series score for all boats is the sum of her individual evening scores, excluding her two (2) worst scores.

## 14. PRIZES

There is a first-place trophy for each evening's overall winner, awarded at CYC as soon as possible after racing.

## 15. RISK STATEMENT

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. By participating in the 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 the event) from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in the event to the fullest extent permitted by law.