

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL INFORMATION

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1. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be posted by 1500 on Wednesday, September 10.

2. COMMUNICATION

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board which is the [King of the Hill and Sunset Series Cruising Championship](#) webpage on the CYC website.

2.2 On the water, the RC intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 68. Failure of the RC to broadcast, mistaken broadcasts, or failure of a competitor to receive this information will not be grounds for a request for redress. This change is added to the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 61.4(b)(1) (Redress Decisions).

2.3 Boats shall use VHF radio channel 68 to report retirement from racing and may use VHF radio channel 68 to request or provide assistance in an emergency.

3. SCHEDULE OF RACES

3.1 One (1) race is scheduled.

3.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal is 1740.

4. CLASS FLAG / ORDER OF STARTS

4.1 The class flag is code flag K.

4.2 Each entered boat has an individual starting time which will be posted on the [Official Notice Board](#) by 1200 on Wednesday, September 10.

5. RACING AREA

The racing area is on Santa Monica Bay with the starting area located at MdR Mark "SS" (approximately 33° 57.547' N / 118° 28.093' W; see [Marina del Rey Course Chart 17](#)).

6. MARKS

6.1 Weather marks are yellow or white spar buoys of varying height and diameter. If a mark (spar buoy) is missing or off position, an inflatable tetrahedron may be used as a replacement.

6.2 See [Marina del Rey Course Chart 17](#) for mark locations and distances.

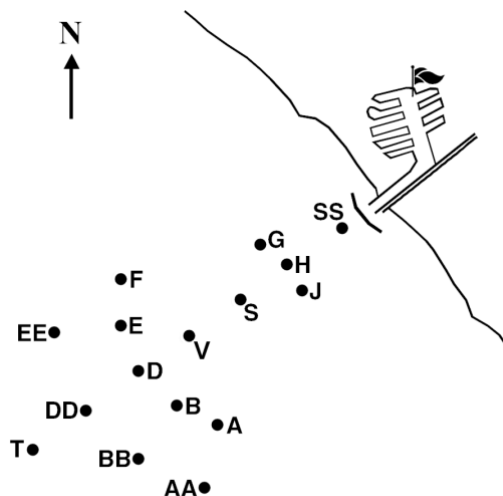
7. THE COURSES

7.1 All boats shall sail the same course.

7.2 No later than the warning signal, the RC signal boat will signal the course by displaying letter code flag(s) indicating the weather mark. This code flag(s) will be removed two (2) minutes after the starting signal for the last boat(s).

7.3 After starting, round to port the mark indicated by the flag displayed on the RC signal boat per SI 7.2, and finish at MdR Mark "SS".

Course Signal (& first mark)	Approx. Magnetic Bearing (from "SS")	Handicap Distance (in NM)
V	235°	3 nm
D	235°	4 nm
E	248°	4 nm
DD	235°	5 nm
EE	250°	5 nm



8. THE START

- 8.1 The starting line is between the course side of MdR Mark “SS” and the staff of an orange and white checkered flag on the RC signal boat.
- 8.2 RRS 26, STARTING RACES, is replaced with:

<i>Time</i>	<i>Visual signal</i>	<i>Sound signal</i>	<i>Means</i>
1740	Flag K	One	Warning signal
1741	Flag P	One	Preparatory signal
1744	Flag P removed	One long	One minute to starting signal for 1 st boat
1745	Flag K removed	One	Starting signal for 1 st boat
Per SI 4.2	None	One	Starting signal for 2 nd boat
Per SI 4.2	None	One	Starting signal for 3 rd boat ... etc.

- 8.3 [DP] After the warning signal, a boat shall not sail within three (3) of her hull lengths of the starting line unless there are fewer than three (3) minutes to her start or there are no other boats with fewer than three (3) minutes to their start, whichever is earlier. This rule shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This change is added to 60.1 (Right to Protest).
- 8.4 The RC may count down the last five (5) seconds before the starting signal for each boat as provided in SI 2.2.
- 8.5 RRS 29.1, Individual Recall, is replaced with:
“When at a boat’s starting signal any part of her hull is on the course side of the starting line, the RC shall promptly display flag X without a sound. The flag shall be displayed until the hull of each such boat has been completely on the pre-start side of the starting line or one of its extensions, but no later than twenty (20) seconds after that starting signal or until the next scheduled starting signal, whichever is earlier.”
- 8.6 The RC may hail boats, as provided in SI 2.2, that are subject to RRS 29.1 (Individual Recall) at their starting signal and also after they have sailed completely to the pre-start side of the starting line or one of its extensions.
- 8.7 A boat that starts more than five (5) minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This change is added to RRS A5.1 (Scores Determined by the Race Committee).
- 8.8 Competitors should be aware that boats competing in the Sunset Series Cruising Championship will be starting in the starting area from 1720 through approximately 1735, and that RRS 23.1 (Interfering with Another Boat) prohibits boats not racing from interfering with boats racing.

9. THE FINISH

The finishing line is between the course side of MdR Mark “SS” and the staff of a blue flag on the RC signal boat.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS US Sailing Prescription Appendix V (Alternative Penalties), Section V1, Penalty at the Time of an Incident, applies.

11. TIME LIMIT

Boats not finishing by 2000 will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35 (Race Time Limit and Scores) and is added to RRS A5.1 (Scores Determined by the Race Committee).

12. HEARING REQUESTS

- 12.1 The protest time limit is thirty (30) minutes after the RC signal boat docks, which time will be posted at the *Protest Time Limit and Hearing Schedule* link located on the [Official Notice Board](#).
- 12.2 Protests and requests for redress shall be filed electronically using the hearing request forms available at the *File a Protest* link located on the [Official Notice Board](#).
- 12.3 RRS 61, Redress is modified as follows:
- (a) RRS 61.2 (b)(1) is replaced with: “If the request is based on an incident in the racing area, it shall be filed within the protest time limit.”
 - (b) A notice of boats scored per RRS A5.1 (Scores Determined by the Race Committee) will be posted at the *View Starting Penalties* link located on the [Official Notice Board](#) no later than fifteen (15) minutes after the RC signal boat docks. The deadline for a request for redress based on these scores is the protest time limit.
 - (c) The time limit for a request for redress based on the outcome of a scoring inquiry (see SI 13.2) is 30 minutes after that outcome has been posted.
- 12.4 Within fifteen (15) minutes after the protest time limit, a notice of filed protests and requests for redress will be posted at the *Protest Time Limit and Hearing Schedule* link located on the [Official Notice Board](#). This constitutes notice to all parties to a hearing under RRS 63 (Rights of Parties).
- 12.5 Protests and requests for redress will be heard as soon as possible.

- 12.6 US Sailing Prescriptions to the Preamble to Part 5, Section B (Hearings and Making Decisions) and RRS 63.1 (Conduct of Hearings, Rights of Parties) do not apply.
- 13. SCORING**
- 13.1 This race is scored as a pursuit race, with individual starting times based on the rating used for each boat's last Sunset Series race and the selected course handicap distance. Boats are scored according to their order of finish.
- 13.2 Competitors shall notify the RC of any scoring errors using the *Submit Scoring Inquiry* link on the [Official Notice Board](#). The deadline to file a scoring inquiry is the protest time limit or thirty (30) minutes after the preliminary results have been posted, whichever is later.
- 14. SAFETY REGULATIONS**
- [DP] A boat that retires from a race prior to finishing shall notify the RC either before leaving the racing area or as soon as possible after arriving ashore.
- 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.

