

Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club

TGIS Series 2006

August 20 September 10 October 1 November 19 December 3

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 This series will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008* (RRS), the prescriptions of USSA, the Rules of the Southern California PHRF Fleet and the rules of any one design class competitors (except as modified by these Sailing Instructions) and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 By these Sailing Instructions, the PHRF MIR rule does not apply.

2. ENTRIES

- 2.1 Boats may be entered for the series or an individual race by completing registration with the Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club (PCYC) no later than the end of the Skipper's Meeting on the race date.
- 2.2 This is a PHRF-handicapped, One Design and PCYC-CHRF series. Spinnaker, Non-spinnaker and One Design classes will be designated based on the number of entrants. PHRF breaks may be used depending on the number of entrants.
- 2.3 Competitors possessing a valid PHRF certificate are requested to submit a copy with registration. Boat entries that do not submit a valid PHRF certificate will be assigned a temporary rating by the Race Committee based on available PHRF ratings information.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the PCYC Crow's Nest.

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 1030 hours on the day that they will take effect, or will be hailed on the water by the Race Committee before the first warning signal.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Each race day of the series will have no more than one race, with the first warning at approximately 1155.
- 5.2 Order of starts will be Spinnaker Class, Non-Spinnaker Class, J/24 and Olsen 30 (if present). Three boats must have registered to constitute a class for a separate class start.
- 5.3 The PCYC CHRF class will use a separate start line for pursuit starts, with the first warning at 1225.

6. RACING AREA

The starting lines will be in the area approximately 1/4 mile offshore of the detached breakwater of the Channel Islands Harbor and race courses will take place within an area of approximately a 15 mile radius.

7. THE COURSE

Courses will be selected from the PCYC TGIS & CHRF Race Course Chart Rev 3-15-03.

8. MARKS

- 8.1 Marks are designated on the PCYC TGIS & CHRF Race Course Chart Rev 3-15-03.
- 8.2 In the event of missing 'stationary' marks, their approximate latitude and longitude position as stated in the PCYC TGIS & CHRF Race Course Chart Rev 3-15-03 shall be used instead. No redress will be given for missing marks whose position is listed on the PCYC TGIS & CHRF Race Course Chart Rev 3-15-03.

9. THE STARTS

- 9.1 Boats competing are requested to check in with the Race Committee no later than 5 minutes prior to their start. Check-in may be accomplished on VHF Channel 68 or by audible hail of the boat name and sail number, to be recognized and confirmed by the Race Committee. Channel 68 must be monitored until your boat's starting time.
- 9.2 There will be two start lines, one for the PCYC CHRF class and one for all other classes.
- 9.3 The RC may sound a three blast attention getting sound approximately one minute before commencing a 5 minute starting sequence for a class, excluding the CHRF class.

SPINNAKER, NON-SPINNAKER and ONE-DESIGN CLASS STARTS

- 9.4 Races for Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker and One Design classes will be started using RRS 26. The "Class" flags shall be as follows:

Spinnaker	Yellow	J/24	White
Non Spinnaker	Red	Olsen 30	Green

- 9.5 For each of these fleets (Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker and One-Design), the start will be between the orange shape hung from the side of the Race Committee boat and an inflatable mark. The RC Boat will be the starboard end of the start line and the inflatable buoy will be the port end of the line for these classes only.
- 9.6 Boats not racing shall avoid the entire starting area until five minutes prior to their starting time.

PCYC CHRF CLASS STARTS

- 9.7 This race will be started using RRS 26. The "Class" flag for all boats shall be an orange flag.

- 9.8 This will be a 'pursuit' or 'reverse' start with higher handicap boats starting before lower handicap boats. Official time will be GPS time. Each competitor's starting time will be calculated based on their CHRF or assigned handicap and the length of the course as stated on the PCYC TGIS & CHRF Race Course Chart Rev 3-15-03.
- 9.9 The start will be between the orange shape hung from the side of the Race Committee boat and an inflatable mark. The RC Boat will be the port end of the start line and the inflatable buoy will be the starboard end of the line for this class only.
- 9.10 After each CHRF boat's start, the class flag will be re-raised. The subsequent start will be signified by the flag being lowered. The class flag will then be re-raised for the next subsequent start. This sequence will continue until all boats have started.
- 9.11 Boats shall avoid the entire starting area until five minutes prior to their starting time.
- 9.12 If, in the sole opinion of the Race Committee, conditions at the intended 1230 HRS first start time warrant a postponement, the Race Committee shall use 24 minute increments of postponement time. Thus, per RRS 27.3 the postponement time, plus one minute, plus the new 5 minute start sequence will yield a new first start time of 1300 HRS and all subsequent starts will be calculated by adding 30 minutes to the originally posted starting times. This procedure will be continued for each postponement necessitated by the prevailing wind conditions.

10 THE FINISH

- 9.1 The finish line will be between the orange shape hung from the side of the Race Committee boat, which will be at the starboard end of the line and the Channel Islands Harbor green lighted GS3 marker ashore at the port end of the line.
- 9.2 The finish is on the inshore side of the Channel Islands Harbor detached breakwater and must be approached from the northern entrance, keeping the detached breakwater to starboard.

11 TIME LIMIT

- 11.1 The first yacht in its class must finish by 1600 hours or the race may be abandoned.
- 11.2 If any yacht in a class finishes, all yachts in that class must finish by 1645 hours or be scored 'Did Not Finish' (DNF).
- 11.3 Notification of a Time Limit extension, if any, will be made by the Race Committee at approximately 1530 hours on Channel 68. Each boat shall confirm receipt of this communication as radio traffic permits. Boats not confirming will be hailed by the Race Committee on Channel 68 in an attempt to confirm receipt. Non-receipt is not a basis for re-dress.
- 11.4 If you are not going to finish any race or retire from racing for any reason, please notify the Race Committee of your DNF on VHF Channel 68.

12 PROTESTS

Protests, if any, shall be lodged using USSA standard forms available at the PCYC Crow's Nest and delivered to the event chairperson within one hour of the last boat's finish.

13 SCORING

- 13.1 PHRF yachts will be scored within their class and fleet break based on corrected elapsed time. One Design and PCYC CHRF classes will be scored based on order of finish within their class. CHRF actual elapsed times will be taken to facilitate re-adjustment of handicaps for future races.
- 13.2 A minimum of one completed race will constitute a completed TGIS Series.
- 13.3 Series scoring will be calculated on a high point basis. Each individual event will be scored using the Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A2, except that no race scores will be excluded (no throw-outs). A minimum of one completed race will constitute completion of each individual regatta event.
- 13.4 One completed race will constitute completion of the TGIS Series, which will be scored as a cumulative high point as follows: Each boat entered shall accumulate points for each race entered, sailed and completed with no throw-outs. DNS, DNF, OCS, DSQ will receive zero points. The boat finishing in last place receives one point; each boat placing higher will receive one additional point for each boat beaten (ie., in a five boat fleet 5th receives 1 point; 4th receives 2 points; 3rd receives 3 points; 2nd receives 4 points and 1st receives 5 points). Ties will be broken using RRS A8.

14 RADIO COMMUNICATION/ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENTATION

- 14.1 The Race Committee will monitor channel 68 for the duration of racing.
- 14.2 After starting, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive radio communications not available to all boats, except in case of emergency or to confirm Race Committee instructions.

15 AWARDS

- 15.1 TGIS Series trophies will be awarded for the first three places in each class.
- 15.2 Individual TGIS Race Awards will be awarded.