

Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club

Yachting Cup 2009

July 25, 2009 Saturday SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing Sailing 2009-2012* (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 Competitors enter by completing registration & paying the fee at the Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club (PCYC) no later than the end of the 0830 Skipper's Meeting on July 25, 2009. Registration is at 0800.
- 2.2 This is a handicapped regatta with Spinnaker and Non-spinnaker and one design classes. PHRF or CHRF fleet breaks may be used within classes 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 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 0900 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 OF RACES

5.1 The number of races scheduled is as follows:

<u>Race</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time of Warning Signal</u>
Race 1	July 25	1055 hours
Race 2	July 25	As permitted by a class' completion of previous race
Race 3	July 25	As permitted by a class' completion of previous race

6. CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 Class flags will conform to the standard regional order for colors:
Races will be started using RRS 26. The standard regional class flags are:

Class A Yellow	Class D Green
Class B Red	Class E Pink
Class C White	Class F Blue
- 6.2 Order of starts for the first race will be assigned at the skippers meeting.
- 6.3 Subsequent races will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race and may be started in a different order, based on finishes of classes in the previous race.

7. RACING AREA

The starting line will be in the vicinity of the Mandalay spar buoy, in the seaward area approximately 1 NM offshore of the Mandalay Power Station. Race courses will take place in an area of about 3NM.

8. THE COURSES

- 8.1 Windward/leeward courses will be selected from the 2008 Yachting Cup Course Chart.
- 8.2 The course to be sailed will be identified by numerical placard on the Race Committee boat no later than the warning signal for the next class to start.
- 8.3 The course to be sailed by each class in each race may differ. It is each competitor's responsibility to know the course for their class.

9. MARKS

- 9.1 Windward and leeward marks are orange inflatable tetrahedrons.
- 9.2 A New Mark, as provided in instruction 11.1, will be either a yellow mark, or an orange inflatable tetrahedron marked with a large black spot on each face.
- 9.3 The starting and finishing marks will be an orange shape hung from the side of the Race Committee boat and an orange inflatable tetrahedron at the other end. Instruction 10.2 will describe the starting line and Instruction 12.1 the finish line.

10. THE START

- 10.1 Boats competing shall check in with the Race Committee prior to the warning signal for the first race. Check-in may be accomplished on VHF Channel 68 or audible hail of the boat name and sail number, to be recognized and confirmed by the Race Committee.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between the orange shape positioned on the Race Committee boat as the starboard end of the line; and an orange inflatable tetrahedron at the port end of the line.
- 10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 10.4 An attention getting signal of three short blasts of a horn may be given as a courtesy to alert the fleet to the next warning signal and starting sequence.

11. CHANGE OF THE POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK

- 11.1 To change the position of the next mark, the race committee will lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the new mark may not yet be in position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated without further signaling to maintain the course configuration. When in a subsequent change, a new mark will be replaced by an original mark.

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finish line will be between the orange shape positioned on the side of the Race Committee boat at the port end of the line and an orange inflatable tetrahedron at the starboard end of the line.
- 12.2 After finishing racing for the day, boats and crew are invited to attend post race activities at PCYC. Overnight guest accommodation dock space is available at the club for out-of-town boats.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 Rule 44.1 and 44.2 shall apply.
- 13.2 Scoring penalties described in Rule 44.3 will not be utilized.

14. TIME LIMIT

- 14.1 No race shall be started after 1600 hours.
- 14.2 If you are not going to finish any race or retire from racing for any reason, please notify the Race Committee of your DNF or retirement on VHF Channel 68.

15. PROTESTS

- 15.1 Upon finishing a race, protesting boats shall notify the RC boat of their intent to file a protest and obtain RC acknowledgement. Protesting boats retiring or withdrawing from a race shall upon retiring or withdrawing attempt to inform the RC of their intent to file a protest (modifies Rule 61.1a).
- 15.2 Protests shall be lodged using USSA standard forms available at the PCYC front lobby desk and delivered to the event chairperson within 60 minutes of the RC boat's docking at the PCYC guest dock.

16. SCORING

- 16.1 PHRF yachts will be scored within their class and fleet break (if applicable) based on corrected time for each race.
- 16.2 Low Point Scoring System RRS Appendix A will apply except that there will be no throw outs (modifies Rule A2).
- 16.3 A minimum of one completed race will constitute a completed regatta.

17. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 17.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats, except in case of emergency or to confirm Race Committee instructions. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

18. PRIZES

- 18.1 The Yachting Cup Perpetual Trophies will be engraved with the First Place winner in class.
- 18.2 This event is the third and final event in the Pacific Corinthian Cup: Three races One champion. Points from all three events will be used score the series winner for Spinnaker & Non-spinnaker.
- 18.3 Keeper trophies will be awarded for the first three places in each class.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race and the entry form waiver for this event.