



The 49th ANNUAL SAN CARLOS FALL CUP REGATTA

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the applicable 'Rules' as defined in The *Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020*.

2 COMPETITORS MEETING & NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 There will be a Competitors meeting Saturday 0830 – Marina San Carlos, HammerHeads Patio.
- 2.2 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board, displayed at the following events –
- 2.2.1 - Friday Welcome Party – Marina San Carlos, Dock 'D'
- 2.2.2 - Saturday morning Registration and Competitors Meeting – Marina San Carlos, HammerHeads Patio.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on Saturday Oct 26, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2 No changes will be posted after 2000 Saturday Oct 26.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Any signals made ashore will be displayed on the Signal Boat when it is at dock.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Racing will take place on Saturday and Sunday, October 26-27
- 5.2 There will be one race per day.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the first shape is 1045 for both days of racing, wind permitting.

6 CLASS FLAGS and STARTING ORDER

- 6.1 Class flags and starting order will be posted on the Official Notice Board, and will be announced at the Competitors meeting. Flags and Start Order as follows –
 - 6.1.1 **Cruising (Turquoise Ribbon) and PHRF High (Pink Ribbon) = Blue Class Flag**
 - 6.1.2 **PHRF Low (Lime Green Ribbon) and Spinnaker (Red Ribbon) = Lime Green Class Flag**
- 6.2 Fleet Ribbons shall be flown from the backstay, no lower than the boom, or flown from the boom itself. If this is not possible, Ribbons shall be flown from the starboard shroud.

7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 Racing will take place 'In the Bay'

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 A TSC Course Chart included as part of this document.
- 8.2 Class Courses will be announced at the Competitors Meeting, and will be displayed from the Signal Boat at each Class' start

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Marks will be orange tetrahedrons.
- 9.2 The Pin end of the starting and finishing line will be an Orange Cylinder. The boat end of the starting line and finishing line will be defined by an Orange flag flying from the tallest point on the Signal Boat

10 THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between the Pin and the Signal Boat, as described in instruction 8.2. (Pass Signal Boat to Starboard). The starting line will be generally set square to the direction of the first mark.
- 10.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid and not interfere with other boats during their respective starting sequence.
- 10.3 The Race Committee will make efforts to identify and hail over-early (OCS) competitors over the radio, in addition to *Rules* required sound-and-visual signals. This is a courtesy only - Competitors are responsible for returning to the start line and re-starting when they are OCS.

11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finishing line shall be between the pin and the Signal Boat, as described in instruction 8.2. (Pass Signal Boat to Port). The finishing line will be generally set square from the direction of the last mark.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1 The Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. *This changes RRS 44.1.*

13 TIME LIMIT

- 13.1 If no boat has passed the first mark within 30 minutes of her start, the race shall be abandoned.

14 PROTESTS

- 14.1 There will be no protest committee for this event. All conflicts will be expected to be handled on the water in a Corinthian and sportsmanship-like manner.

15 SCORING

- 15.1 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 Trophies will be awarded based on the lowest combined corrected time over the two days of racing.
- 15.3 Monohulls shall be handicapped using National Average PHRF ratings.
- 15.4 Multihulls shall be handicapped using US Sailing published ratings.
- 15.5 Boats must have a legible sail number.
- 15.6 Results will be posted on the Tucson Sailing Club website at the earliest opportunity.

16 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- 16.1 All vessels shall read and follow the 'Competitors On-The-Water Safety Protocol' and 'Emergency Action Plan' document that are included as Appendices 'A' and 'B' in this document.
- 16.2 Boats shall check in by hailing their boat name and/or sail numbers to the RC signal boat before the start of the race each day.
- 16.3 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

17 RADIO and ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

- 17.1 Functioning on board VHF radios shall be required for this event.
- 17.2 The Regatta will use **Channel 72 as the dedicated channel for race communication.**
- 17.3 **Channel 16 is to be used for hailing and emergency use ONLY.** Further information on emergency communication is in the 'Emergency Action Plan', included as Appendix 'B' in this document.
- 17.4 A vessel shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions or other electronic communication that is not available to all competitors.

18 TRASH DISPOSAL

- 18.1 Boats shall not put trash in the water. Boats are expected to manage and contain their own trash.

19 AWARDS

- 19.1 Awards will be announced and given out at the Sunday Awards Banquet. The number of trophies in each class will be based on the number of pre-registered boats.

20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 20.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, See *RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race*. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

21 SPECIAL NOTE

- 21.1 Any boat receiving 'hands on' assistance from rescue/mark boats will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. *This changes RRS A5*. The race committee may decide when a boat or crew needs assistance.

Appendices:

Appendix 'A' – Competitor's On-The-Water Safety Protocol

Appendix 'B' – Emergency Action Plan

Appendix 'C' – Course Descriptions

Appendix 'D' – GPS Coordinates

Appendix 'E' – Course Chart