



# SANTA BARBARA YACHT CLUB

## Centennial Trophy

### All-Fleet Club Championship

March 6, 2021

## Notice of Race / Sailing Instructions

The Organizing Authority for the SBYC Centennial All-Fleet Club Championship will be:  
The Santa Barbara Yacht Club (SBYC), 130 Harbor Way, Santa Barbara, CA 93109

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 US Sailing prescriptions to rules 63.2 and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.3 Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, Rule V1 – Penalties at the time of the incident will apply.
- 1.4 Failure to comply with orders from the United States Coast Guard, Santa Barbara Harbor Patrol or any other recognized authority is grounds for disqualification without hearing at the discretion of the Race Committee. This Changes Rule 63.1.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to those participants qualified and invited based on the most recent Centennial Regatta Qualification Guidelines, (available in the Race Office and at <https://sbyc.org/series-explanations/>).
- 2.2 The participants will be invited in order of qualification.
- 2.3 If an eligible, fleet-winning skipper is unable to attend the Centennial Regatta, the Sail Policy Committee prescribes that an alternate skipper shall be selected from the same fleet, starting with the next highest finishing skipper from the regular fleet of the absent skipper. If the second place skipper cannot attend, the third place skipper shall be asked to sail, and so on and so forth until all skipper options from all boats have been exhausted, at which point an alternate 'regular' crew member that meets the deed of gift requirements from the first place boat may be asked to sail, and then the second place boat and so on and so forth. The alternate skipper must meet all other eligibility requirements. This is in accordance with the Deed of Gift, which is available at the SBYC Race Office upon request.
- 2.4 Eligible skippers may enter by submitting a completed race entry form to the Santa Barbara Yacht Club no later than the Wednesday (March 4, 2021) preceding the race. Race entry forms are available online at <https://sbyc.org/racing>. Exceptions are at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 2.5 There is no entry fee for this event.

### 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors and amendments to these Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board located on the lower deck of SBYC.

### 4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted before 0945 hours on the day it will take effect.

### 5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SBYC yardarm.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than sixty (60) minutes' in race signal AP.

## **6 SCHEDULE**

### **6.1 Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup>**

#### *Competitor Briefing & Boat Assignments*

0900 Competitor briefing video broadcast & boat assignments will be sent out via email to all competitors.

### **Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>**

#### *Racing Day 1*

1000 Boat owners meet competitors at their assigned boat.

1200 Warning signal for first race

1615 No warning signal after this time

After Racing Awards at SBYC on the lower deck / lawn

6.2 Up to seven (7) races are scheduled.

6.3 Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> will be used as a reserve racing day in the event that three (3) races cannot be completed within the time limit on Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>. If the reserve racing day is started, the scheduled seven (7) races total for the regatta will remain the same. Any races completed from the first day of racing shall count towards the total of seven (7) races and shall carry over to the reserve racing day. Boat drawings shall remain the same.

### **Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**

#### *Reserve Racing Day*

1200 First Warning Signal

1630 No Racing after this time

After Racing Awards at SBYC on the lower deck / lawn

## **7 BOATS PROVIDED BY THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY**

- 7.1 Harbor 20 boats will be provided for competing teams. Harbor 20 boat owners or owners' representative will give an orientation of their boat to competitors on the day of the race. Standing rigging including upper battens shall not be adjusted, unless directed by the RC. Only telltales may be added to boats. Running rigging and fittings shall be used for their intended purposes only. All supplied equipment shall be carried aboard while racing.
- 7.2 While reasonable steps are taken to equalize the boats, variations, including deviations from class rules, will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.
- 7.3 Boats & sails will be assigned at the competitor meeting and done by random drawing via the Race Committee. Teams will be assigned a boat & sails that they will sail with for the duration of the event.
- 7.4 No skipper shall sail his or her own yacht unless the race committee elects to sail the event as a round robin. This is in accordance with the deed of gift.
- 7.5 Hiking is not permitted. All crew shall keep their torsos within the confines of the cockpit at all times while racing, excepting in the need of immediate repair or for safety reasons.
- 7.6 Spinnakers will not be used for the regatta.
- 7.7 Clocks, timers, engines, VHF radios, and compasses are the only electronic functions permitted to be used from 30 minutes prior to the first scheduled warning signal until the end of the last race of each day. The penalty for a breach of this rule may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 7.8 Other items that competitors are permitted to bring:
- Kelp Stick (each boat will have one with it, but each competitor is permitted to bring their own).
  - Tell tales
  - Non-electronic wind indicator
  - Non-electronic compass
  - Other items may be approved by the Race Committee
- 7.9 Items competitors are required to bring:
- VHF radio
  - Personal Flotation Devices for skipper and crew

Breaches of sailing instruction 7.9 shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1. Penalties for a breach of instruction 7.9 may be less than disqualification if the Protest Committee so decides.

## **8 BREAKDOWNS / DAMAGE**

- 8.1 A damage deposit of \$500 per incident may be collected upon damage done to a boat after said incident. This deposit is the maximum payable by the team as a result of any one incident.
- 8.2 Competitors are responsible for inspecting their assigned boats before each race for possible breakdowns and missing equipment. Discrepancies must be reported to the RC immediately.
- 8.3 Competitors shall report any damage, breakdown, or loss of equipment, however slight, to the RC at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 8.4 If there is an equipment breakdown that was unforeseeable by the crew and prevents a boat from completing a race, the Race Committee may decide to re-sail the race or award redress.

## **9 CREW**

Each qualified skipper is responsible for providing one member of his or her regular racing crew. An additional alternate crew member from their regular crew may also be listed on the entry form. All crew members should be declared and recorded on their entry form at least one week in advance of the scheduled races.

## **10 CLASS FLAGS**

All boats will sail in one class. The class flag will be announced at the competitor meeting.

## **11 RACING AREA**

The racing area will be directly in front of the SBYC clubhouse. If conditions do not allow the race course to be held in this area, the Race Committee may move the race course location at their discretion and will notify competitors accordingly.

## **12 THE COURSES**

- 12.1 Courses will be a windward-leeward as shown in 'Attachment A – Course Chart'.
- 12.2 The course number will be displayed on the race committee signal boat and may be announced on VHF channel 71.

## **13 MARKS**

Turning marks will be inflatable shapes of colors consistent with those shown in 'Attachment A'.

## **14 THE START**

- 14.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning given five (5) minutes before the start.
- 14.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 14.3 If when rule 30.1 or 30.2 is in effect any part of a boat's hull, crew, or equipment is on the course side of the starting line during the one minute before her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to broadcast her sail number on the designated VHF channel. Failure to make a broadcast or of a boat to see or hear her recall notification shall not relieve her of her obligation to start correctly and shall not be grounds for redress. A boat's position in the sequence of hailed numbers or broadcast numbers shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 14.4 As a courtesy, the Race Committee will attempt to notify recalled boats by hailing their sail number over the designated VHF channel. Failure of a boat to see or hear her recall notification shall not be grounds for redress. A boat's position in the sequence of hailed numbers or broadcast numbers shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1 (a)

## **15 CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START**

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position. No direction or distance to the next mark will be displayed (this changes Rule 33). Subsequent marks may be moved to maintain course shape without additional signals.

## **16 THE FINISH**

16.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of the finishing mark as shown on 'Attachment A – Course Chart'.

16.2 In the interest of starting another race in a timely fashion, the Race Committee may assign a finish position to the last finisher(s) in a class provided that the position(s) can be determined in a reasonable manner.

## **17. PENALTY SYSTEM**

Appendix V, Rule V1 will apply: The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while *racing*. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'

## **18 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

18.1 Protest forms are available online at <https://forms.gle/Pf1oskVytx2S7Jit7>. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the front desk or Race Committee within the appropriate time limit.

18.2 The protest time limit is within 30 minutes of the race committee's return to the dock.

18.3 Protest times and locations will be emailed out to competitors no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

18.4 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered  
(a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;  
(b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.  
This changes rule 66.

18.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

## **19 SCORING**

19.1 The low point scoring system of Appendix A will apply, except that each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.

19.2 Three races must be completed to constitute a series. If a series is not completed, the regatta may be continued at a later date.

## **20 SAFETY**

All boats shall observe safety instructions from the race committee. Each boat shall provide adequate personal flotation for the entire crew.

## **21 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

21.1 The Race Committee will use VHF Channel 71 to communicate with competitors.

21.2 The Race Committee will use the VHF radios to make competitors aware of its intentions, the course to be sailed, starting times, course changes, On Course Side (OCS), postponements, and other information regarding the racing. Failure of the Race Committee to make a broadcast, the timing of a broadcast, or the failure of a boat to hear a broadcast shall not be grounds for redress under Rule 62.1(a).

## **22 PRIZES**

Trophies will be awarded to the top three finishers. The Centennial Trophy will be engraved with the name of the top finisher.

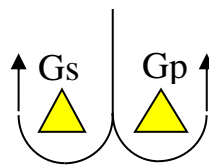
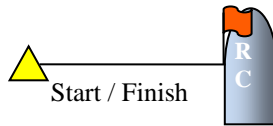
**23 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Participants in this event compete entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

**Attachment A - Course Chart**



**Mark W (orange) “W”**



**Gate (yellow) “Gs / Gp”**

**Course #**

- 1 Start – W – Finish**
- 2 Start – W – Gt – Finish**
- 3 Start – W – Gt – W – Finish**
- 4 Start – W – Gt – W – Gt - Finish**

Mark W shall be rounded to port.

Mark O shall be rounded to port.

Mark Gs shall be rounded to starboard.

Mark Gp shall be rounded to port.