

*Santa Barbara Yacht Club*  
**Staff Commodore's Regatta**  
July 15, 2022

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Organizing Authority for the 2022 Staff Commodore's Regatta will be:  
The Santa Barbara Yacht Club (SBYC), 130 Harbor Way, Santa Barbara, CA 93109

The notation [NP] in a *rule* means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that *rule*. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

The notation [DP] in a *rule* means that the penalty for a breach of a *rule* may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

### **1. RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *the Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, Rule V1 – Penalties at the time of the incident will apply.
- 1.3 Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, Rule V2 – Post-race penalties 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. [DP]

### **2. 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.

### **3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted before 1120 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1200 on the day it will take effect.

### **4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SBYC yardarm.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than forty (40) minutes' in race signal AP.

### **5. SCHEDULE**

#### **5.1 *Wednesday, July 13, 2022***

Competitors must enter by midnight on Wednesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> to assure they have a Harbor 20 for the event. Competitors entering after this time will be given a Harbor 20 on a first come-first serve basis.

#### ***Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup>***

1530	Registration closes
1530	Mandatory Competitor meeting on the lower deck of SBYC
1700	First warning
1830	No Warning Signal after this time
After Racing	Awards and hors d'oeuvres

- 5.2 No more than four races will be attempted.

**6. CLASS FLAG**

The class flag will be numeral pennant '1'.

**7. RACING AREA**

The racing area will be the Santa Barbara channel within one mile of SBYC and will be defined more clearly at the competitor meeting.

**8. BOATS PROVIDED BY THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY**

8.1 Harbor 20 boats will be provided for competing teams. 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.

8.2 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.

8.3 Boats will be assigned at the competitor meeting and done by random drawing via the Race Committee. Teams will be assigned a boat that they will sail for the duration of the event.

8.4 Hiking is not permitted. Skipper and crew shall keep their bodies within the confines of the cockpit and shall not place their feet on the seats or seat cushions at any time while racing, except to affect immediate repair, adjust the jib Cunningham, or for safety reasons.

8.5 Spinnakers will not be used for the regatta.

8.6 No skipper shall sail his or her own yacht unless the race committee elects to sail the event as a round robin.

**9. BREAKDOWNS / DAMAGE**

9.1 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.

9.2 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.

9.3 Competitors shall report any damage, breakdown, or loss of equipment, however slight, to the RC at the first reasonable opportunity.

9.4 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.

**10. CREW**

10.1 Each qualified skipper is responsible for providing one crewmember.

10.2 Harbor 20's owner reps are not required to be on a boat for this year's race.

**11. COURSES**

11.1 Courses will be as shown in 'Attachment A – Course Chart'.

11.2 The course number will be displayed on the race committee signal boat and may be announced on VHF channel 71.

**12. MARKS**

Turning marks will be yellow inflatable tetrahedrons.

**13. START**

13.1 The Start line will be between an orange tetrahedron at the pin end and an orange flag flown from the Race Committee Signal Boat.

- 13.2 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 13.3 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).
- 13.4 As a courtesy, the race committee may attempt to hail on course side boats on 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.
- 14. CHANGE OF COURSE**  
Marks may be moved without signal to maintain course configuration provided that no boat has begun the preceding leg.
- 15. THE FINISH**  
The finish line will be between an orange tetrahedron at the pin end and an orange flag flown from the committee boat.
- 16. PENALTY SYSTEM**
- 16.1 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.'
- 16.2 Appendix V, Rule V2 – Post Race Penalties will apply:
- (a) Provided that rule 44.1(b) does not apply, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident may take a Post-Race Penalty at any time after the race until the beginning of a protest hearing involving the incident.
  - (b) A Post-Race Penalty is a 30% Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rule 44.1(a) applies.
  - (c) A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by delivering to the race office a written statement that she accepts the penalty and that identifies the race number and where and when the incident occurred.
- 17. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**  
Protests and requests for redress must be delivered to the front desk of SBYC within one hour of the Race Committee's return to the dock. Protest forms are available at the front desk of SBYC. Protest times and locations will be listed on the official notice board.
- 18. SCORING**
- 18.1 The low-point scoring system of Appendix A will apply except that a team's series score will be the total of all their race scores. One race must be completed to constitute a series.
- 18.2 Each commodore will sail their own boat but will be teamed up with at least one other commodore's boat for a combined team score for each race. (Example: Team A finishes 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> in the race = 5 points and team B finishes 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the race = 5 points). Ties will be broken using Appendix A.

**19. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

The race committee will monitor and make transmissions over VHF channel 71.

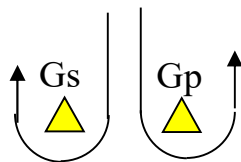
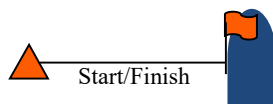
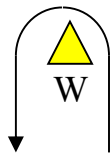
**20. PRIZES**

Trophies will be awarded to the top finishers in the regatta. The top finisher will win the William W. Deardorff Memorial Perpetual Trophy.

**21. RISK STATEMENT**

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform, and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

## Attachment A – Course Chart



Course 1: Start – W – finish

Course 2: Start – W – Gt – Finish

Course 3: Start – W – Gt – W – Finish

Course 4: Start – W – Gt – W – Gt – Finish

\*Turning marks will be yellow

\*\* The Pin end of the starting line will be orange