



*Santa Barbara Yacht Club*  
**Sir Thomas Star Lipton Regatta**  
August 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, 2017



## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Organizing Authority for the 2017 Sir Thomas Lipton Star Regatta 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*.
- 1.2 Star Class Rule 34.3.7 Format C is changed to allow the minimum distance of a leg to be less than one nautical mile.
- 1.3 US Sailing prescriptions to rules 60, 63.2, and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.4 Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, Rule V1 – Penalties at the time of the incident will apply.
- 1.5 Appendix T, Arbitration, Rule T1, T2, T3, and T4 will apply.
- 1.6 RRS 63.7 is replaced with “If there is a conflict between a rule in the sailing instructions and one in the Notice of Race, the sailing instructions shall apply”.

### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the lower deck of the SBYC clubhouse.

### **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Changes in the Sailing Instructions will be approved by the Organizing Authority and will be posted before 1120 hours of the day they will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

### **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at the SBYC clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than sixty (60) minutes’ in race signal AP.

### **5 SCHEDULE**

#### **5.1 Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup>:**

Registration Packet Pick-Up at SBYC Front Desk

#### **Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup>:**

1000-1100	Registration Packet Pick-Up at SBYC Front Desk
1100	Competitor Meeting at SBYC Bar
1300	Warning Signal for first race
After Racing	Complimentary Hors D’oeuvres & drinks on SBYC upper deck

#### **Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>:**

1300	Warning signal for first race
1515	No Warning Signal after this time
After Racing	Awards and complimentary pasta buffet at SBYC

- 5.2 Number of Races: Seven races are scheduled.

## **6 CLASS FLAG**

The Class Flag will be a red flag with a white letter 'A'.

## **7 RACING AREA**

Racing will be held in Santa Barbara Channel, within two (2) miles of the entrance to the Santa Barbara Harbor.

## **8 THE COURSES**

8.1 The diagrams in 'Attachment A – Course Chart' show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 Course numbers will be displayed on placards from the Race Committee signal boat.

## **9 MARKS**

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

9.2 The starting/finishing pin will be a yellow inflatable shape.

9.3 The windward mark "W" and offset mark "O" will be a pair of orange inflatable shapes.

9.4 The leeward "Gate" will be a pair of orange inflatable shapes.

9.5 New marks as provided in instruction 11.1, will be:

9.5.1 A green inflatable mark to replace "W".

9.5.2 An orange inflatable mark with a black band to replace a gate mark.

## **10 THE START**

10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made five (5) minutes before the starting signal.

10.2 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.

10.3 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

10.4 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)

## **11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

11.2 To move the leeward gate, the race committee will set the new mark at one end of the gate and an original mark at the other.

11.3 Marks to be rounded after the changed mark may be moved without further signal to maintain the course configuration.

## **12 THE FINISH**

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

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

### **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 13.1 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.’
- 13.2 Appendix T, Rule T1 – 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 take a Post-Race Penalty by delivering to the arbitrator or a member of the protest committee a written statement that she accepts the penalty and that identifies the race number and where and when the incident occurred.

### **14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 14.1 Protest forms are available from the front desk for the SBYC clubhouse. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 14.2 Protests and requests for redress must be delivered within one hour of the Race Committee signal boat docking time. The protest time limit will be posted on the Notice Board. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the Race Committee and Jury about incidents they observe in the racing area and to request redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- 14.3 Notices will be posted on the official notice board within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearing times and locations will be listed on the notice board.
- 14.4 Boats recorded on the finishing list as having not started or not finished will be posted on the Notice Board 30 minutes before the protest time limit. Any boat so notified may request a hearing, which must be in writing and delivered to the Race Office within protest time limit.
- 14.5 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
- 14.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

### **15 SCORING**

- 15.1 The low-point scoring system of Appendix A will apply except that when fewer than six (6) races have been completed a boat’s series scores will be the sum of her race scores.
- 15.2 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

### **16 SAFETY**

Competitors leaving the race course before the end of a race shall inform the Race Committee or the SBYC front desk as soon as possible. Competitors not leaving the dock on a race day shall inform the SBYC front desk.

**17 CREW CHANGES**

- 17.1 Any request for a change of crew must be submitted to the Race Committee in writing prior to 0900 hours on the day of the race for which the change is to be made. If the Race Committee grants permission, it will do so in writing and post such notice on the Notice Board.
- 17.2 A change of helmsman will not be permitted.

**18 TEAM AND PRIVATE SUPPORT BOATS**

- 18.1 Coach boats and private spectator boats are expected to render assistance to a boat in danger when requested by the boat, or at the request of the Race Committee.
- 18.2 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay 100 yards outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the Preparatory Signal until all boats have finished racing.
- 18.3 The Penalty for breaking sailing instruction 18.1 or 18.2 will be at the discretion of the jury up to and including disqualification of all boats associated with the team or private support boat.

**19 HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS**

All boats may be hauled out each day or kept at the SBYC guest dock at the discretion of the crew.

**20 PRIZES**

- 20.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top three boats overall (skipper & crew) in the event.
- 20.2 The winning skipper and crew will have their names engraved on the Santa Barbara Yacht Club's Sir Thomas Lipton Perpetual Trophy to remain on display at the Santa Barbara Yacht Club.

**21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

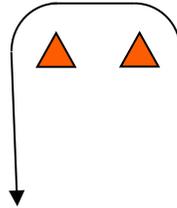
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage of personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.



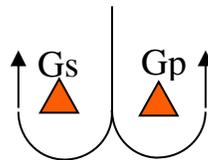
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**Attachment A - Course Chart**



**Mark ‘O’, (orange)**

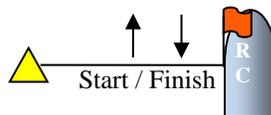


**Mark ‘W’ (orange)**



**Gate (orange) “Gs / Gp”**

**Start / Finish  
Pin (yellow)**



**Course 2:** Start – W – O – Finish

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

Marks W and O shall be rounded to port.  
 Mark Gs shall be rounded to starboard.  
 Mark Gp shall be rounded to port.