



81st Annual SCYA Midwinter Regatta

Saturday and Sunday, February 20-21, 2010
Marina del Rey, California USA



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL INFORMATION

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1. RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The organizing authority (OA) is California Yacht Club (CYC) in conjunction with the Southern California Yachting Association (SCYA).
- 1.3 Each entrant must meet the eligibility, entry and fee requirements as outlined in the Notice of Race for this regatta. Note: The Notice of Race and Entry Form were published by SCYA and are available at www.scya.org and at www.calyachtclub.com.
- 1.4 Competitors are reminded that they must submit a CYC Entry Form as well as their SCYA Midwinter Entry Form and Entry Fee and that entries close at 0900 hours on Saturday, February 20, 2010. The CYC Entry Form is available at www.calyachtclub.com. Late entries will be accepted only with the prior approval of the Regatta Chairman.
- 1.5 RRS 82 does not apply.
- 1.6 Competitors shall not intentionally discharge trash or garbage into the waters of Marina del Rey or Santa Monica Bay.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the bulletin board located outside the main entrance of the CYC clubhouse (Official Notice Board).

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0930 hours on the day it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole located on the CYC front lawn.
- 4.2 When the Answering Pennant (AP) is displayed ashore, prior to its removal, the earliest time of the Warning Signal will be posted on the Official Notice Board, which time will be not less than seventy-five (75) minutes after the AP is lowered. This changes Race Signals in the RRS.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Five (5) races are scheduled: three (3) on Saturday and two (2) on Sunday. If fewer than three (3) races are completed on Saturday, without posting a change to the schedule of races, the Race Committee (RC) may run a third race on Sunday. This will be signaled by displaying the "Second Substitute" code flag at the finish of Sunday's second race. If code flag "Second Substitute" is displayed over a class flag(s), it applies only to that class(es); in the absence of any class flags, it applies to all classes. The RC, at its discretion, may run fewer total races.
- 5.2 The Warning Signal for the first race each day is scheduled for 1155 hours. Subsequent races will start as soon as practicable after the finish of the prior race.
- 5.3 The order of starts for the first race each day will be posted no later than 0930 hours on Saturday, February 20, 2010.
- 5.4 The order of starts may change following the first race each day.

6. CLASSES / CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 Invited classes are Farr 30, J/80, Star, Martin 242 and Open 5.70.
- 6.2 Classes and class flags will be posted no later than 0930 hours on Saturday, February 20, 2010.

7. RACE AREA

Racing will be on Santa Monica Bay. The starting area will be located approximately 1.5 nm northwest of the Marina del Rey breakwater.

8. MARKS

Marks are described on **Attachment A**.

9. COURSES

Courses are described on **Attachment A**.

10. CHECK-IN

Prior to the Warning Signal for the first race each day, each boat shall sail past the stern of the RC signal boat displaying code flag "L", hail her sail number and be recognized by the RC. Boats failing to check-in properly may be given a twenty percent (20%) scoring penalty for the first race of the day, assessed without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

11. THE START

11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26. **NOTE: Each class will have its own starting sequence with approximately two (2) minutes between sequences unless otherwise hailed by the RC (see SI 18).**

11.2 The starting line will be between Mark **S** at its port end and the staff of an orange and white checkered flag on the port side of the RC signal boat, at its starboard end.

11.3 A boat that starts more than five (5) minutes after her Starting Signal shall be scored DNS. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

11.4 Boats that are subject to RRS 29.1 (Individual Recall) at their Starting Signal may be hailed by sail number on VHF channel 69 (see **SI 18**) and/or by loud hailer. Failure of the RC to transmit, failure of a competitor to receive, timeliness or order of hail shall not be considered grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.

11.5 Competitors should be aware that other classes may be finishing while they are starting.

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

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

12.2 Competitors are reminded that, per Race Signals in the RRS, if class flags are displayed, the change affects only those classes. If no class flags are displayed, the change affects all classes.

13. THE FINISH

13.1 The finishing line is separate from the starting line. For Courses 1 through 6, the finishing line will be between the staff of a solid orange flag on the starboard side of the RC boat at one end and Mark **F** at its other end. For Courses 7 and 8, the finishing line will be between Mark **W2** at its port end and the staff of an orange and white checkered flag on the port side of the RC boat at its starboard end. (See diagram on Attachment A.)

13.2 The blue flag or shape will not be used at the finishing line. This changes RRS Race Signals.

13.3 Competitors should be aware that other classes may be starting while they are finishing. Competitors are reminded that RRS 23.1 prohibits boats that have finished from interfering with boats that are racing.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44 is changed so that if an incident occurs outside the Zone for a rounding or finishing mark, the penalty shall be the One-Turn Penalty defined in RRS 44.2 that in all other respects complies with RRS 44.1.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Protests shall be filed at the CYC Front Desk no later than sixty (60) minutes after the RC boat has docked (Protest Time Limit), which time will be posted on the Official Notice Board. Protest forms will be available on the Sail Notice Board located next to the Fleet Room.

15.2 No later than fifteen (15) minutes after the Protest Time Limit, a notice of filed protests and requests for redress will be posted on the Official Notice Board. This will constitute notice to all parties to a hearing under RRS 63.2.

15.3 RRS 62.2 (Redress) is modified as follows:

(a) The first line has been changed to read: "The request shall be in writing and be delivered to the CYC Front Desk no later than the Protest Time Limit on the day of the incident or sixty (60) minutes after the incident, whichever is later.

(b) No later than fifteen (15) minutes after the RC signal boat docks, the RC will post a list of boats that, for that day, have been scored OCS or have been penalized under RRS 30.2, RRS 30.3 or SI 10. The deadline for a request for redress based on this list will be thirty (30) minutes after the Protest Time Limit for that day.

(c) On the last day of the regatta, the time limit for delivering a request for redress is the Protest Time Limit or thirty (30) minutes after the incident, whichever is later.

15.4 RRS 66 (Reopening a Hearing) is changed so that, on the last day of the regatta, the time limit for delivering a request to reopen a hearing is the Protest Time Limit or thirty (30) minutes after the decision is announced, whichever is later.

15.5 Protests and requests for redress will be heard in the approximate order of receipt as soon as possible.

16. SCORING

- 16.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply, except that all scores will count.
- 16.2 One (1) race must be completed to constitute a regatta.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that withdraws from a race prior to finishing or does not intend to start a scheduled race shall notify the RC either before leaving the racing area or as soon as possible after arriving ashore.

18. RADIO COMMUNICATION

The RC may use VHF channel 69 and/or loudhailer to broadcast information such as location of the RC signal boat, notification of upcoming starting sequences, the class starting, the course to be sailed, the approximate distance and compass bearing to the first mark, and as provided under **SI 11.4**. Failure of the RC to transmit, mistaken transmissions or failure of a competitor to receive this information shall not be considered grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.

19. PRIZES

- 19.1 Prizes will be awarded at CYC as soon as practicable after the last race on Sunday.
- 19.2 The winner of the Star class will be presented with the Frank Borzage Perpetual Trophy.

20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers (organizing authority, host yacht club, race committee, protest committee, sponsors, and any others acting in an official capacity for this event) from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.



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ATTACHMENT A

SI 8 MARKS (continued):

- 8.1 Marks **W1** and **W2** will be either orange or yellow inflatable shapes whose color will be signaled per **SI 8.2**. **W2** may or may not be in the water at the discretion of the PRO.
Marks **Ls/Lp** will be yellow inflatable shapes.
Mark **S** will be an orange inflatable shape.
Mark **F** will be the staff of a buoy flying a solid orange flag.
- 8.2 The color of Mark **W1** or Mark **W2** will be indicated by an orange or yellow pennant hoisted with the course numeral pennant.
- 8.3 New windward marks, as provided in **SI 12**, will be the alternate color to the one signaled at the start.

SI 9 COURSES (continued):

- 9.1 Marks **W1** and **W2** shall be left to port.
- 9.2 Mark **Ls/Lp** is a gate. In the event only one leeward mark is on station that mark shall be rounded to port.
- 9.3 No later than the Warning Signal for each class, the approximate magnetic bearing to the first windward mark will be signaled by numeral placards from the forward part of the port side upper deck of the RC signal boat.
- 9.4 No later than the Warning Signal for each class, the distance from Mark **Ls/Lp** to the first weather mark will be signaled by numeral placards from the aft part of the port side upper deck of the RC signal boat. The starting line will be approximately 0.1 nautical mile to leeward of Mark **Ls/Lp**.
- 9.5 No later than the Warning Signal for each class, the course will be signaled by a code flag from the RC signal boat as shown below:

Numeral Pennant	Course
1	Start - W1 - Finish
2	Start - W1 - Ls/Lp - W1 - Finish
3	Start - W1 - Ls/Lp - W1 - Ls/Lp - W1 - Finish
4	Start - W2 - Finish
5	Start - W2 - Ls/Lp - W2 - Finish
6	Start - W2 - Ls/Lp - W2 - Ls/Lp - W2 - Finish
7	Start - W1 - Ls/Lp - Finish (at W2)
8	Start - W2 - Ls/Lp - Finish (at W2)

