



# RS Tera Pacific Coast Regatta

Saturday, May 12, 2018

Marina del Rey, California USA

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



### GENERAL INFORMATION

The Organizing Authority is California Yacht Club (CYC), located at 4469 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey, CA 90292.

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Regatta Chair: Guillaume Rasse | See NoR 14 for contact information

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Our Philosophy: RS Tera is a teaching class and an introductory fleet for novice sailors. The Racing Rules of Sailing are important, but learning to race while having fun is equally stressed. These sailing instructions are structured within The Racing Rules of Sailing to provide a flexible, less structured, less formal racing environment. While race scores and progress is tracked, who places first is less important than learning, improving, and having fun along the way.

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), by the 2018 North-America RS Tera Class Rules, and by the 2018 RS Tera California Series Notice of Series.
- 1.2 RRS 82 will not apply.
- 1.3 A condition of entry and participation in this regatta is the wearing of a U.S. Coast Guard approved lifejacket, properly secured at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while removing or adding clothing. All lifejackets must be suitable for the competitor's weight. Wet suits, dry suits, and inflatable lifejackets do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy. These changes are added to rule 40, and the Preamble to Part 4 will not apply to rule 40.

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at the CYC Junior Sailing Center.

### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions (SI) will be posted on the Official Notice Board by 1000 on the day it will take effect.
- 3.2 The Race Committee (RC) may change the SI on the water by displaying flag L with one sound and announcing the change by loud hailer.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at the CYC Junior Sailing Center.
- 4.2 When the Answering Pennant (AP) is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than thirty (30) minutes" in the RRS Race Signals. AP displayed ashore means "Racing is postponed, do not leave the dock."

### 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 There will be a competitors' meeting at 1100 on Saturday, May 12, in the Junior Sailing Center classroom.
- 5.2 Seven (7) races are scheduled. Without posting a change to the schedule of races, the Race Committee (RC) reserves the right to run more or fewer races.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the first warning signal 1200. Subsequent races will start as soon as practicable.
- 5.4 A lunch break will be given unless postponement ashore goes past 1300.

### 6. CLASS FLAG

The class flag is an RS Tera symbol on a white background.

### 7. RACING AREA

Racing will be conducted inside Marina del Rey harbor; racing areas to be announced at the competitors briefing.

### 8. MARKS

Marks will be inflatable balls or small tetrahedrons.

### 9. COURSES

The courses may be windward/leeward, triangle or other courses as described by the PRO. The course will be hailed by the RC and posted on a white board on the RC signal boat.

**10. THE START**

10.1 Races will be started using RRS Appendix U – Audible Signal Racing System (3-minute sequence). The starting sequence shall consist of the following sound signals made at the indicated times:

<b>Signal</b>	<b>Sound</b>	<b>Time before start</b>
Attention	Series of short sounds	Before the warning
Warning	3 long	3 minutes
Preparatory	2 long	2 minutes
	1 long, 3 short	1 minute, 30 seconds
	1 long	1 minute
	3 short	30 seconds
	2 short	20 seconds
	1 short	10 seconds
	1 short	5 seconds
	1 short	4 seconds
	1 short	3 seconds
	1 short	2 seconds
	1 short	1 second
Starting	1 long	0

10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange and white checkered flag on the RC signal boat and the nearby inflatable mark.

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

The RC may make slight adjustments to the course by dragging the original marks. This changes RRS 33.

**12. THE FINISH**

12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange and white checkered flag on an RC boat and the nearby inflatable mark.

12.2 Code flag A displayed from the RC finishing boat means "no more racing today".

**13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

Protests are teaching and learning opportunities. An open discussion (mock protest) will be held with judges if resources are available. All competitors, parents and coaches are invited to attend and observe.

**14. SCORING & PRIZES**

16.1 The low point system Appendix A of RRS will be used. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores; when five (5) or more races have been sailed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16.2 One (1) race must be completed to constitute a regatta.

16.3 Prizes will be awarded after racing on Junior Sailing Center Deck. Take home trophies will be awarded to the 1st through 3rd place boat for Overall.

**15. COACHING**

Coaching is allowed at the discretion of the PRO. Coaching should focus on the bottom half of the fleet. Coaching on the water is for all, and all coaches are required to assist all sailor. The RC has the right to remove from the course any coach who disregards the instructions of the PRO or other RC personnel.

**16. SAFETY**

16.1 Each competitor shall have a whistle attached to their PFD at all times while on the water.

16.2 Each boat shall have a secure loop in the end of its bow line.

16.3 Each skipper who launches their boat from CYC must sign-out prior to leaving the dock and sign-in upon return. Each skipper not launching from CYC, each day, shall notify the Regatta Chair before leaving their dock and, following the final race of each day, shall notify the Regatta Chair as soon as practical to confirm they have returned to their dock.

16.4 A competitor who leaves the racing area, for any reason, shall immediately inform the RC on the water or dock supervisor ashore.

**17. DESIGNATED ADULT**

- 17.1 An adult (parent, guardian or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of each competitor. It is solely the responsibility of this adult to decide if the competitor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. The adult supervising the competitor is ultimately responsible for the risks. Additionally, this designated adult shall accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.
- 17.2 Any parent or guardian not personally attending any part of the event shall provide, during online registration, the name and contact information for the adult who will be attending and authorized and designated to be responsible for their child during this event per NoR 10.1.

**18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. By participating in this regatta, 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 regatta to the fullest extent permitted by law.

**19. FURTHER INFORMATION**

**Regatta Chair.** For further information, please contact Guillaume Rasse at 310.822.1908 or [guillaume.rasse@calyachtclub.net](mailto:guillaume.rasse@calyachtclub.net)

**Hospitality:** Competitors and their guests are invited to use the club facilities on race days. The entry fee includes morning snacks. Competitors should bring a re-usable water bottle; water stations will be available for refills.

**Boat Launching, Berthing and Trailer Storage:** Competitors are invited to use the hoists and dinghy dock at CYC during the regatta. For information and arrangements regarding boat storage immediately preceding and following the regatta contact CYC Dock-master Evan Davis at [evan.davis@calyachtclub.net](mailto:evan.davis@calyachtclub.net) or 310.823.4567.

**RS Tera California Series information:** See RS Tera California Series Notice of Series or contact series co-chairs: Donna Carter –[secretary@rsterana.org](mailto:secretary@rsterana.org) or Kevin Mullen –[president@rsterana.org](mailto:president@rsterana.org)