

2019 ST. FRANCIS INTERCONFERENCE REGATTA

Organizing Authority: St. Francis Yacht Club

March 30-31, 2019

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the [ICSA Procedural Rules](#), except any of these that are modified by the Notice of Race or these sailing instructions.
- 1.2 The following [US Sailing Prescriptions](#) will not apply: 60.3, 63.2 and 63.4.

2 ENTRIES

Teams shall check-in between 0900-0945 hours on Saturday, March 30.

3 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 A competitors' meeting will be held at StFYC on Saturday at 0945 hours.
- 3.2 Official notices will be posted on the official regatta notice board located in the hallway adjacent to the side (Regatta) entrance of StFYC.
- 3.3 Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted by 1000 hours on the day they are to take effect, except any changes to sailing instruction 4, Schedule, will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before they take effect.
- 3.4 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the StFYC Race Deck. When signal flag AP is displayed from the Race Deck, the time for the warning signal will be made no earlier than 30 minutes after the lowering of the AP. This changes Race Signals.
- 3.5 Questions regarding the sailing instructions may be submitted in writing to the race committee. Questions and written responses will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board.
- 3.6 Race committee communications will take place on VHF channel 69.

4 SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
Saturday	0900-0945	Registration
	0945	Competitors' Meeting
	1100	First Warning Signal
	<i>After Racing</i>	Social at StFYC
Sunday	1000	First Warning Signal
	1500	No Warning Signal after this time

5 RACING AREA

Races will be conducted on the San Francisco City Front.

6 ROTATION

- 6.1 There will be no boat rotation; teams will sail their own boat for the duration of the regatta. This changes ICSA PR 22(b)(i).
- 6.2 Between sets, A and B divisions will swap boats on the docks of Golden Gate Yacht Club or the beach east Golden Gate Yacht Club.

7 COURSES & MARKS

- 7.1 The courses and marks are described in Attachment A – Official Description of Marks and Courses.
- 7.2 No later than the warning signal, a placard designating the course will be displayed from the signal boat.
- 7.3 No later than the warning signal, a flag designating the mark rounding direction will be displayed from the signal boat. If a red flag is displayed, all marks shall be rounded to port. If a green flag is displayed, all marks shall be rounded to starboard.
- 7.4 Mark 1 will have an offset Mark 1o. In the event the offset Mark 1o is not in place, the single Mark 1 shall be rounded in the direction designated by the flag displayed at the start.
- 7.5 Mark 3g will be a gate. In the event the gate is not in place, the single Mark 3 shall be rounded in the same direction as Mark 1 and Mark 1o.

8 RESTRICTED AREAS

- 8.1 For safety reasons, each of the lines bounded by the following two points is an obstruction:
- (a) The northern end of the SF Marina entrance Wave Attenuator and the closest point ashore.
 - (b) The southern end of the SF Marina entrance Wave Attenuator and the closest point ashore.
- 8.2 Boats are prohibited from sailing across any of these lines while racing.

9 THE START

- 9.1 ICSA Procedural Rules, Appendix C will be used.
- 9.2 The start line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting line signal boat and an orange inflatable ball OR a staff displaying an orange flag on the pin boat.

10 RECALLS

The race committee may hail the sail number(s) of the boat(s) identified on the course side of the starting line after the starting signal, by loud hailer. The failure of a hail, the failure of a boat hearing the hail or the order of the hails shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finish line F1 will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and an orange inflatable ball.
- 11.2 The finish line F2 will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and a white inflatable ball located upwind of Mark 1.

12 TIME LIMIT FOR EACH RACE

If a boat is delaying the finish of a race or the rotation, the race committee may end the race and score the boat in its current position.

13 COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC

- a. Racing occurs near active shipping channels. The race committee would like to call special attention to the preamble to RRS Part 2.
- b. A race committee boat may signal a boat that is racing to alter course to avoid impeding the passage of commercial vessels by making a sound signal (horn or whistle) and pointing flag V at the boat. The signaled boat shall promptly comply with the signal unless compliance would create an unsafe condition. If a boat fails to comply with such a signal, the race committee shall protest the boat. In this case the protest committee shall assume that the course alteration would not have created an unsafe condition, and the protested boat shall have the burden of proving otherwise.
- c. If a commercial vessel sounds five blasts at a boat which is racing, and/or the vessel or the USCG is subsequently able to identify the offending boat, the boat may be subject to protest. In the event the race committee files the protest, the protest committee shall assume that the identified boat has impeded passage or violated the U.S. Inland Navigation Rules, and the identified boat shall have the burden of proving otherwise.
- d. A boat cannot exonerate herself when she may have broken SI 19. When a protest committee decides that a boat has broken SI 19, the penalty shall be disqualification not excludable (DNE).
- e. The StFYC shall cooperate with and provide relevant information to the Coast Guard or other governmental authority regarding investigations of boats impeding ship traffic or violating U.S. Inland Navigation Rules (33 CFR 83).

14 PROTESTS

Protests will be conducted using expedited hearings in accordance with Part VI of the ICSA Procedural Rules.

15 SCORING

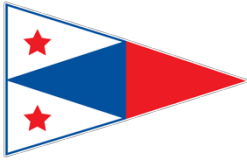
Scoring will be in accordance with ICSA Procedural Rule 23.

16 SAFETY

- 16.1 Wetsuits, foul weather gear, and whistles on lifejackets are strongly recommended.
- 16.2 Racers shall notify the race committee when they are withdrawing from a race; if not possible, they shall contact the StFYC Race Office immediately upon arrival ashore.
- 16.3 The race committee reserves the right to send in any competitors whom they deem cannot safely handle the sailing conditions. If a boat requires rescue in the opinion of the race committee or safety boat, assistance will be given and the boat will be scored a DNF.

17 COACHING

ICSA Procedural Rule 19 shall apply and all coaches shall remain ashore.



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ATTACHMENT A – DESCRIPTION OF COURSES & MARKS

MARK	DESCRIPTION
1	Inflatable yellow shape set as a Windward Mark
1o	Orange inflatable ball set as an offset mark to be rounded in the same direction as the windward mark
2	Inflatable yellow shape set as a Reach Mark
3g	Two inflatable yellow cones set as a Leeward Gate (boats must pass between the two gate marks)
F1	Downwind finish between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee Signal Boat and an orange inflatable ball
F2	Upwind finish between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and a white inflatable ball set upwind of mark 1

**If any of the above marks are off station, they may be replaced by a temporary orange buoy*

COURSE	ROUNDING ORDER
1	Start → 1 → 1o → 3g → 1 → 1o → F1
2	Start → 1 → 1o → 3g → F2
3	Start → 1 → 1o → 3g → 1 → 1o → 3g → F2
4	Start → 1 → 1o → 2 → 3 → 1 → 1o → F1

** Reference Sailing Instruction 7.3 for rounding direction*

