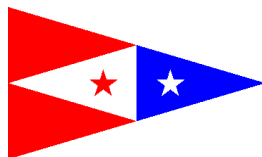


THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB



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The Belvedere Classic Regatta and The Great SF Schooner Race Saturday, July 13, 2019

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organizing Authority: The San Francisco Yacht Club, Belvedere, California

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The rules do not govern the navigation of non-participating vessels, which may be met during the course of racing. Competitors should exercise due caution so that there be no violation of the applicable international or inland navigation and right-of-way rules.
- 1.3 **BOATS SHALL NOT INTERFERE WITH COMMERCIAL OR NAVAL VESSELS OR TUGS AND THEIR TOWS. BOATS DOING SO AND THEREBY ENDANGERING THEIR OWN SAFETY OR THAT OF THE COMMERCIAL VESSEL WILL BE SUBJECT TO PROTEST BY THE RACE COMMITTEE.**

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located outside on the west wall of the SFYC Clubhouse. The NOR, SIs, and amendments thereto will be posted online at www.sfyc.org.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes in the sailing instructions will be posted by 1600 hours on July 12 on The San Francisco Yacht Club website, www.sfyc.org, and on the official notice board.

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 One race is scheduled on Saturday, July 13, the first warning signal will be at 1215 hours. This will be for the non-schooner division.
- 4.2 The schooners will be started at specific staggered times, as posted by 1700 hours on July 12.

5 COURSE AND MARKS

- 5.1 The race course is as follows: Start at KX - 15(P) - 18(P) - 8(P) - Alcatraz(S) - 12(S) - Finish at KX (P) and (S) indicate leaving marks to Port or Starboard, respectively.

5.2 **Mark Descriptions** - 8, 12, 15, 18 and Alcatraz are rounding marks. KX is the start and finishing line mark.

8	R4	R "4" Fl 4s Horn 1 nm East of Point Blunt
15	Yellow Bluff	Yellow inflatable, Approx. 0.5 nm East of Yellow Bluff
12	Little Harding Rock	"Fl G4s, southwest of Angel Island
18	Blossom Rock	RG"BR" Fl G 6 sec bell (1 nm SE Alcatraz)
KX	Knox	Red inflatable ~0.2 nm SSW of Pt Knox (Angel Island)

6 AREAS THAT ARE RESTRICTED

Restricted Areas – Boats shall not pass between these buoys and the closest point ashore.

- a) the bell buoy off the west end of Alcatraz
- b) the Pt. Blunt buoy off Angel Island

7 THE START

- 7.1 The starting line will be between a staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat, anchored between Knox and Point Stuart, and the course side of a red inflatable buoy (KX).
- 7.2 The non-schooner race will be started using RRS 26.
- 7.3 The schooners shall be started as follows: A ten (10) minute warning signal followed by a five (5) minute preparatory signal will begin the sequence. The first group’s preparatory signal will be removed one (1) minute before the first group’s starting signal. Each succeeding group’s preparatory period will be the start for the preceding group, both of which shall be signaled by the hoisting of a red flag. The red flag will be lowered one (1) minute before the next succeeding group’s starting signal. This changes rule 26.

Warning Signal	Yellow flag	1 sound	-10 minutes
1 st Group Five Minute Preparatory Signal	Yellow flag lowered	no sound	-6 minutes
1 st Group Five Minute Signal	Blue flag	1 sound	-5 minutes
1 st Group One Minute	Blue flag lowered	no sound	-1 minute
1 st Starting Signal, 2 nd Group Preparatory Signal	Red flag	1 sound	1 st Group Start
2 nd Group One Minute Warning	Red flag lowered	no sound	-1 minute to next group
2 nd Group Start, Next Group Preparatory Signal	Red flag	1 sound	2 nd Group Start
Next Group One Minute Warning	Red flag lowered	no sound	-1 minute to next group
Next Group Start	Red Flag	1 sound	Next group start, etc.

- 7.4 Schooners shall start in accordance with individual handicaps listed on the start time document (posted by 1700 hours on July 12), beginning at 1230 hours. The committee boat will attempt to provide your starting time on request on the water using VHF USA channel 65A. However, it is each boat’s responsibility to start at the proper time.
- 7.5 Boats whose preparatory signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and boats whose preparatory signal has been made. Boats shall not cross the starting line except when preparing to start or starting.
- 7.6 Schooners starting prematurely by less than one (1) minute will be penalized two (2) minutes in calculating their elapsed time and finish scoring. This penalty replaces the requirement to comply with rule 30.1 to sail to the pre-start side of the starting line before starting. This changes rule 29.1.
- 7.7 Schooners starting prematurely by more than one (1) minute will be scored Did Not Start unless they return to the pre-start side of the starting line and pass through the starting line again. The race committee will attempt to notify a boat starting prematurely by more than one (1) minute via radio communication on VHF USA

channel 65A. This changes rule 29.1.

- 7.8 After a postponement flag W will be displayed to indicate that the start times have been changed. New start times will be calculated from the new first start time. This changes RRS Race Signals.

8 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat, anchored between Knox and Point Stuart, and the course side of a red inflatable buoy (KX).

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

A yacht that has broken rule 31 or a rule of Part 2 of the RRS may, after getting well clear of other boats, exonerate herself by taking a one-turn penalty before reaching the next mark of the course. The penalty turn shall consist of a 360-degree turn in the same direction that includes one tack and one gybe. This changes rule 44.1

10 TIME LIMIT

- 10.1 The time limit shall be 1700 hours. Any boat not finishing by 1700 hours will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes rule 35 A4, and A5.
- 10.2 Boats not completing the course shall attempt to contact the race committee as soon as possible by VHF USA channel 65A.

11 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 11.1 All boats intending to protest shall inform the protested boat by hailing immediately and then by the display of a red flag as soon as possible. This changes rule 61.1.
- 11.2 A protesting boat is required to notify the race committee by VHF USA channel 65A of her intention to protest at the time she finishes. This changes rule 61.3.
- 11.3 Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the Club front desk. Protest forms will be available there. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.
- 11.4 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee signal boat docks. The time limit will be posted on the official notice board.
- 11.5 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.
- 11.6 Hearings will be held at 1900 hours in the Eldridge Room of the Sailing Center on the Tuesday following the regatta, unless rescheduled by the Chief Judge.
- 11.7 A request to reopen a hearing shall be delivered to the Club Race Office within 24 hours of being informed of the protest committee decision. Requests may be made by email. The Race Office email address is race@sfyc.org. This changes rule 66.

12 SCORING

- 12.1 The non-schooners will be scored with their assigned rating using Time-on-Time calculations with the formula $TCF=A/(B+rating)$, where TCF is the time correction factor that the rating is multiplied by, and $A=B+(fleet's\ middle\ rating)$. The B Factor used will be as follows for the average of the wind speeds observed on the signal boat at the start and on the finish boat when the first boat in each division finishes:
- 20+ knots = 500
10-19 knots = 550
Under 10 knots = 575
- 12.2 Schooner starting times are calculated based on handicaps and starting times are staggered so that the finishing places will be determined by the order of finish, except for boats penalized under SI 7.6.

13 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 13.1 The race committee may use VHF USA channel 65A to communicate information about the races.

- 13.2 The race committee will attempt to hail boats observed OCS at the start. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, the hail of some but not all OCS boats, the untimely hail of some or all OCS boats, or failure to hail any or all boats shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.
- 13.3 Except in an emergency, or when retiring from a race, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

14 PRIZES

The awards ceremony will take place on the Club deck following the conclusion of the race.

15 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 or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

Regatta Chairs: John Swain, Alan Olson & Angie Lackey Olson

PRO – Bill Melbostad

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Docking information may be found on the SFYC website.