

# Sunday Sailing Series

August 20<sup>th</sup>
September 10<sup>th</sup>
October 15<sup>th</sup>
2023



# **Sailing Instructions**

# 1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

South Shore Yacht Club (SSYC) is the Organizing Authority for the Sunday Sailing Series.

# 2. RULES

- 2.1 The Series will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, (*RRS*), and the Notice of Race, except as altered by these Sailing instructions:

  The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 US Sailing
- 2.2 The Series is classified as a Category "A" Event in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.
- 2.3 Boats are subject to inspection by the appropriate fleet coordinator to ensure conformity to the applicable class rules, bylaws and/or measurement certificates.
- 2.4 RRS 55 is changed by adding the following sentence to the rule: "However, discarding elastic or wool bands when setting a sail is permitted."
- 2.5 The US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER) Coastal Category will apply, except as modified below. USSER is available at <a href="https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/safety-information/ser-world-sailing-special-regulations/">https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/safety-information/ser-world-sailing-special-regulations/</a>
- SER 1.7 and Reg. 3.7.3 are waived for this race. The U.S. Sailing (USSER) requirement Coastal prescription 3.8.2 for a handheld radio has been modified to omit the requirement for DSC/GPS capability.

# 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located near the SSYC front office and on the SSYC website at <a href="https://www.SouthShoreYC.com">www.SouthShoreYC.com</a>.

# 4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at SSYC and on the SSYC website before 0900 hours on the day of the race.
- 4.2 Race Committee may also issue verbal changes to the sailing instructions during check-in while code flag L (Come within Hail) is displayed.
- 4.3 Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before the race.

#### 5. SIGNALS MADE FROM THE RACE COMMITTEE

- 5.1 When flag AP is displayed, racing is postponed.
- 5.3 First Warning will be no less than 1 Hour after AP is removed.

## 6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 The schedule of races is August 20<sup>th</sup>, September 10<sup>th</sup> and October 15th.
- 6.2 The scheduled time for the first warning signal is 1255 hours.

# 7. CLASSES

- 7.2 Starting Assignments and Class Breaks will be posted at SSYC and on the SSYC website before 0900 hours on the day before the first race.
- 7.3 A boat shall sail all races in the class to which she was assigned for her first race. If a boat's rating is changed during the Series, the new PHRF Rating must be provided to the Race Committee prior to 0900 of the next race day. Failure to do so may result in a boat being protested and could result in disqualification.

#### 8. RACING AREA

The Racing Area will be in Newport Harbor and extend into the Pacific Ocean to the Balboa Pier and/or the Newport Pier in Newport Beach, CA.

#### 9. COURSES and MARK LOCATIONS

- 9.1 The Start/Finish line will be located between an area near the Coral Street dock on Balboa Island and harbor racing mark N.
- 9.2 Courses will be random leg course (RLC) with Area adjustments.
- 9.3 One or more marks shown on the 2023 SSYC Sunday Sailing Series Course Chart will be rounded to port.
- 9.4 The 2023 SSYC Sunday Sailing Series Course Chart is available at SSYC or on the SSYC website.
- 9.5 Marks shall be rounded to port, unless signaled otherwise by Race Committee or as indicated on the course chart.
- 9.6 If one of the inflatable marks designated A or B on the course chart is not present, racers shall sail northwest until they cross a line extending from the southeast edge of the respective pier, after which they may tack to complete the course.

# **10. STARTING**

- 10.1 The Starting Line will be between an orange flag on or near the Race Committee boat and harbor racing mark N.
- 10.2 Races will be started by using RRS 26.
- 10.3 A boat whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 10.4 Classes will be started based on the Starting Assignments noted in SI 7.2.
- 10.5 Prior to the first warning signal each boat shall sail by the Race Committee boat and hail her sail number.
- 10.6 To alert boats that a sequence of starts is about to begin, multiple short sound signals will be given approximately one (1) minute before the first warning signal.
- 10.7 A boat starting later than ten (10) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

#### 11. RECALLS

- 11.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1.
- 11.2 General recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.2.

#### 12. FINISHING

The Finish Line will be between an orange flag on the Race Committee boat and harbor racing mark N.

# **13. TIME LIMITS**

- 13.1 The time limit for each race is 1800 hours.
- 13.2 Any boat not finishing before the Time Limit will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35.

# **13.4 PENALTY SYSTEM**

RRS 44.1 and RRS 44.2 shall apply.

## 15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 A boat intending to protest shall comply with *RRS* 60 & 61.1 and notify the Race Committee at the finish line of her intention to protest and identify the other boats involved.
- 15.2 Protests shall be on written forms, which are available at the SSYC Clubhouse. Protests shall be delivered there within the Protest Time Limit.
- 15.3 For each class the Protest Time Limit is 60 minutes after the Race Committee boat has docked. This changes *RRS* 61.3
- 15.4 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the Protest Time Limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 15.5 Hearings will be held at the SSYC clubhouse and will start within one hour of the Protest Time Limit.
- 15.6 Notice of protest by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted to inform boats under *RRS* 61.1 (b).

# 16. SCORING

- 16.1 Scoring will be according to RRS A4.1 Low Point System for each day's race.
- 16.2 The races will be scored using the PHRF Area D RLC Rating.
- 16.3 For boats rated without a spinnaker, the races will be scored using the PHRF Area D RLC Rating plus the boat's Non-Spinnaker Offset.
- 16.4 There are no throw-outs. This changes RRS A2.
- 16.5 RRS A9 shall not apply.

### 17. RETIREMENTS

A yacht that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee on VHF Channel 68 as soon as possible.

#### **18. OFFICIAL BOATS**

Official boats will be marked using Race Committee Flags.

#### 19. RADIO COMMUNICATION

19.1 A competitor shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio transmissions not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. 19.2 Race Committee will monitor VHF Channel 16 for emergencies.

# 20. PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded as follows:

- Up to 2 boats in a class = one trophy
- From 3 to 5 boats in a class = two trophies
- Greater than 6 boats in a class = three trophies
- Trophies will be presented at South Shore Yacht Club following Race 3.

# 21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See *RRS* 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.

# 22. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000.00 per event or equivalent.