



Sailing Instructions, 2008 Friendship Regatta

June 14, 2008

1. **RULES:** The Current (2005-2008) Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) shall govern except as modified by these sailing instructions.
2. **Eligibility**
 - 2.1 Single hulled keel and keel centerboard sailboats acceptable to the Race Committee.
 - 2.2 Minimum crew shall be the helmsperson and one crew member. The primary helmsperson shall be a TYC or CYC member, or his or her spouse, child, grandchild, sibling, parent, or member of his or her household.
 - 2.3 A boat cannot score in a race unless it is first registered with, and accepted by, the Chairman of the Race Committee before 1130 hours on any race day, its entry fee is paid, and it has a current Northern California PHRF rating.
 - 2.4 Each boat should keep their time and the time of the boat that finishes behind them.
3. **HANDICAPS:** Unless a one-design class is declared, all yachts will race PHRF and must have a current PHRF or SFYRA certificate. Any vessel that does not produce a current rating certificate will be assigned a rating by the Race Committee, and any assigned rating may not be appealed. Scoring will be calculated using time-on-time.
4. **ENTRIES:** Entries will be accepted until 11:30 AM the day of the race. To be eligible, a yacht must be skippered and owned or chartered by a Corinthian or Tiburon Yacht Club member and submit a signed entry form to TYC. All yachts must comply with YRA & USCG requirements for recreational vessels while racing. ***It is the sole responsibility of each yacht to decide whether or not to start or continue the race.***
5. **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS AND CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:** Shall be posted on the bulletin board outside the Tiburon Yacht Club front door and signaled by hoisting the Lima flag on the clubhouse flagpole.
6. **SIGNALS:** Starting signals shall be in accordance with RRS rule 26 and signaled from the committee boat anchored in the starting area off the north entrance to Paradise Cay. Starts will be at 5 minute intervals. The Race Committee may make announcements during the start sequence on VHF channel 71.
7. **POSTPONEMENTS, RECALLS:** Individual and General Recalls and Postponements will be signaled in accordance with RRS rule 29.2. Following a Recall or Postponement, starting shall resume with the Recalled or Postponed division in the order set out in these Sailing Instructions.
8. **TIME LIMIT:** Changing RRS rule 35, a finishing time limit for all yachts racing in all divisions shall be three hours after their division start. All yachts finishing after that time shall be scored DNF.
9. **RADIO:** The Race Committee will monitor VHF Channel 71. Please advise the Race Committee on Channel 71 or 415-606-6285 if you drop out of the race. All yachts must carry a working VHF radio while racing.
10. **INTERFERENCE WITH COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC:** Yachts are reminded to at all times observe rule 9 in the USCG Navigation Rules. Any yacht disregarding Rule 9 shall be subject to protest, disqualification, and scored DNE upon notice from any competitor, government agency, or the operator of any vessel to which Rule 9 applies.

- 11. TROPHIES:** Prizes will be awarded after the conclusion of the regatta at the TYC clubhouse as soon as the results are available. Each division will have a first, second, and third place prize. The winning Yacht Club will hold the Friendship Regatta perpetual trophy until the 2009 Friendship Regatta.
- 12. DIVISIONS:** There will be two divisions, Division A - Spinnaker, and Division B – Non-Spinnaker.
- 13. ADDITIONAL STUFF:** All boats must fly their Yacht Club burgee and 5 seconds will be subtracted from any yacht's PHRF rating for any yacht seen incorrectly flying or sailing without a burgee. No whining, collisions, empty coolers or getting lost on the race course will be tolerated! Protests are highly discouraged, but will be accepted in accordance with the RRS.

14: STARTING TIMES AND SIGNALS:

TIME	EVENT	VISUAL	SOUND
1300	A Class Warning	A Flag and Course Up	Horn
1301	A Class Preparatory	Prep Flag Up	Horn
1304	One minute to A start	Prep flag and Course down	Horn
1305	A Class Start; B Class Warning	A Flag Down; B Flag & Course Up	Horn
1306	B Class Preparatory	Prep Flag Up	Gun
1309	One Minute to B Start	Prep Flag & Course Down	Horn
1310	B Class Start	B Flag Down; C Flag & Course Up	Horn

15. COURSES AND DESCRIPTION OF MARKS (SEE AT BOTTOM OF THIS DOCUMENT)

16. START AND FINISH LINES

The start line will be located approximately within the northeast quadrant of a circle whose center is at the Paradise Cay Harbor entrance and whose radius is two miles. The start line shall consist of an imaginary line between a round floating marker and an orange flag on the committee boat.

The finish line will be between two white buoys east of the Tiburon Yacht Club deck. The inner mark, named PANDA, is 180 feet east of the edge of the shoal along the Paradise Harbor breakwater. The outer mark, named HOPEFUL, is 800 feet east of PANDA. (Both buoys are approximately on a line from the Tiburon Yacht Club deck to Red Rock.) At the discretion of the Race Committee, the finish line will be defined as the line from the TYC flagstaff to the outer mark (HOPEFUL). This will be indicated by an announcement on the radio and by the flying of an ORANGE Flag from the flagstaff on the TYC deck. Under these circumstances, the inner mark limits the extent of the line and may not be ON the line. Boats starting and finishing **MUST** pass between the inner and outer marks.

16. RECALLS

Individual recalls will be signaled by displaying flag "X" with one sound signal in accordance with RRS 29.1.

16.2 General Recalls will be signaled by displaying the First Substitute with two sound signals in accordance with RRS 29.2.

17. POSTPONED AND ABANDONED RACES

Postponement will be signaled by hoisting the Answering Pennant ("AP") and two sound signals.

Ending the postponement will be signaled by lowering that pennant and one sound signal.

Postponement of all races for the day (no more racing that day) will be signaled by hoisting the Answering Pennant over flag "A" and two sound signals. The Race Committee may display the Answering Pennant over "A" either on the yardarm of the flagpole on the deck of the Tiburon Yacht Club clubhouse, if prior to assuming station, or on the committee boat, if on station.

An abandoned race will be signaled by hoisting code flag "N" and three sound signals.

Abandoned racing for the day will be signaled by code flag "N" over "A" and three sound signals.

Abandoned and postponed races shall be resailed or canceled at the discretion of the Race Committee.

18. RESTRICTIONS

Commercial Vessels, government vessels and ferry boats shall be considered to have right-of-way over racing boats. Boats violating this rule will be disqualified.

Castro rocks, designated by a red bell buoy marked "2CR" flashing red four seconds, located approximately one-half mile east of Red Rock, shall be considered an obstruction and must be left to the east.

Point Blunt, designated by a green bell buoy marked "3," located at the east end of Angel Island, shall be considered an obstruction and must be left to the west.

The starting area will be that area extending 100 yards from the starting line in all directions. After the first warning signal, boats shall keep clear of the starting area until their warning signal. Any boat whose preparatory signal has not been displayed shall keep clear of a boat whose preparatory signal has been displayed.

The start and finish line is not restricted.

The Race Committee may place an additional round, floating marker in the vicinity of the orange start/finish line flag to act as a limiting mark. The limiting mark may or may not be on the start/finish line but shall be considered an extension of the committee boat. Boats passing between the limiting mark and the orange start/finish line flag may be disqualified by the Race Committee.

When passing under the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge, the westerly concrete causeway and the two most westerly supports under the steel truss portion of the Bridge shall be considered an obstruction and must be left to the WEST.

19. STUFF ON THE BOAT

19.1 A minimum of one lighted red light visible to port, one lighted green light visible to starboard, and one lighted white light visible aft is required for any boat from sunset until sunrise or until the boat is no longer underway.

19.2 Boats shall carry appropriate anchor and rode.

19.3 If spinnakers are prohibited by the Sailing Instructions, yachts may use only "working sails." "Working sails" means any combination of a main, a mizzen and a single headsail of 155% LP or less, secured at a minimum of six regular intervals along its luff to the forestay. Headsails shall also comply with RRS 50.4. "Spinnaker" shall include any sail which is not attached to a mast along its luff or which is not attached to the forestay along its luff at a minimum of six regular intervals.

20. Scoring

20.1 The Low Point System, RRS Appendix A, will apply. Each boat shall be scored based on its current Northern California PHRF rating using the Time-On-Time II method to compute corrected times.

20.2 A boat acting as committee boat for a race in a series shall receive a score for that race equal to the average of all of its scores in the series, after throw-outs. This section 13.2 shall apply to a boat only for a race or races on one (1) day in a series.

21. Prizes and Trophies

21.1 Prizes will be awarded for first through third place for each race, by division.

22. Protests

22.1 Protests shall be submitted in writing per RRS Part 5 and shall be submitted to the Protest Committee Chairman or the Race Committee at TYC approximately one hour or less after the last boat finishes the last race on the day the protested incident occurs. The protest will be heard at TYC as soon as possible thereafter.

TYC Race Courses (Revised June, 2008)



1		Start, TYC-P, LF2-P, Finish	2.50 mi
2		Start, TYC-P, LF2-S, R16-S, Finish	6.75 mi
3		Start, TYC-P, LF2-P, TYC-P, R14-P, Finish	6.50 mi
4		Start, TYC-P, R12-P, R14-P, Finish	4.00 mi
5		Start, TYC-P, R12-P, N6-P, Finish	6.00 mi
6		Start, TYC-P, R14-P, TYC-S, Finish	5.00 mi
7		Start, TYC-P, R12-P, R14-P, TYC-P, R14-P, Finish	8.25 mi
8		Start, TYC-P, R16-P, TYC-S, Finish	8.00 mi
9		Start, TYC-P, R16-S, R12-S, R14-P, Finish	8.75 mi
10		Start, TYC-P, G7-P, R16-P, Finish	7.75 mi
11		Start, TYC-P, Brothers-P, Sisters-P, R14-S, Finish	11.50 mi
12		Start, LF2-S, R14-S, R12-S, Finish	4.00 mi
13		Start, LF2-S, R12-S, Finish	3.00 mi
14		Start, LF2-S, G7-S, LF2-P, Finish	5.50 mi
15		Intentionally Left Blank	
16		Start, R16-P, TYC-P, Finish	6.00 mi
17		Start, R12-P, LF2-P, Finish	3.00 mi
18		Start, R12-P, LF2-P, RWC-S, Finish	3.75 mi
19		Start, R12-P, R14-P, LF2-P, RWC-S, Finish	4.50 mi
20		Start, TYC-P, R8-S (off Pt. Pinole), R14-S, Finish	17.00 mi
21		Start, TYC-P, RWC-P, PANDA-S, C15-S, Finish	6.55 mi
22		Start, TYC-P, RWC-P, PANDA-S, C15-S, N6-S, Finish	8.55 mi
23		Start, RWC-P, LF2-S, C15-S, Finish	4.82 mi
24		Start, RWC-P, LF2-S, C15-S, N6-S, Finish	7.96 mi
25		Start, LF2-P, PANDA-P, RWC-P, LF2-P, Finish	4.86 mi
26		Start, LF2-P, PANDA-P, RWC-P, N6-P, LF2-P, Finish	7.83 mi

The course for a division or class will be designated by displaying the appropriate numeral pennant or pennants before or with the warning signal for that division.

G7 is located approximately 500 yards southeast of Red Rock. It was formerly "7" or "3M5".

LF2 is the Larkspur Ferry channel entrance shown on recent charts as Iso R 6s 3 ft "2", but was formerly 3M2.

PANDA is a white buoy 180 feet east of the Paradise Harbor breakwater.

TYC is a buoy with an orange flag located about 450 yards east of the south entrance to Paradise Cay.

"**P**" indicates a mark is left to Port. "**S**" indicates a mark is left to Starboard.