

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Matt Walsh Race

October 4, 2008

Sixth Race of the KHYC 2008 Spinnaker Series

1) Rules

- 1.1) This event will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008. RRS rule 75.3 does not apply to this event.

2) Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1) This event is open to boats from SCYA affiliated Yacht Clubs or Associations.
- 2.2) Spinnaker boats must conform to their PHRF certificates.
- 2.3) Non-spinnaker boats, not PHRF registered, will be assigned a rating by the race chairman or official scorer.
- 2.4) Entries will be accepted at KHYC until 1030 on race day.

3) Notices to Competitors

- 3.1) Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the first floor opposite the Race Committee Room.
- 3.2) Class splits for the entire series have been determined using PHRF buoy ratings; A is up to 117, B is 120 and higher. This does not alter the rating protocol used to score this event.

4) Changes in Sailing Instructions

- 4.1) Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1000 hours on the day it will take effect. Changes will also be available from the RC boat under the Come Within Hail signal when appropriate.

5) Signals Made Ashore

- 5.1) Signals made ashore will be displayed on the KHYC flag pole located on the East patio of the clubhouse. If the postponement signal (AP) is displayed the warning signal will be made no sooner than one hour after the AP is lowered. This changes the RRS 2005-2008 Race Signals.

6) Schedule of Races

- 6.1) One race is scheduled; the first warning will be at 1155 hours race day.
- 6.2) Multiple horns may be sounded prior to the first warning.

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7) Signals on the Race Committee Boat

- 7.1) Starting signals will conform to rule 26 of the 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 7.2) Non-spinnaker, non-gennaker boats start in class per the spinnaker boat Class A/B split and will have their spinnaker offset applied for scoring.
- 7.3) Classes will start in the following order:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Flag</u>
A	D
B	E
Mariner	By Direction

8) The Race Course

- 8.1) "A" boats: Start - R10 (P.V. Buoy) - Point Fermin Buoy - R10s - "G" - "W" - Finish (28.6 nm)
- 8.2) "B" boats/Mariners: Start - R10 - "T" - "F" - "X"s - "H"s - "G" - "W" - Finish (16.8 nm)
All marks to port except where indicated with subscript s.

9) Marks

- 9.1) Marks are spar buoys in the approximate positions defined on the 2008 KHYC Race Mark Guide.
- 9.2) Palos Verdes Point "R10" buoy, is approximately 3.9 NM on a course of 200 degrees magnetic from "K".
- 9.3) Point Fermin "6PF" whistle buoy is located at Lat. 44-4.9 N/118-17.5 W
- 9.4) "G" is the bell buoy at the entrance to King Harbor.
- 9.5) "W" mark is the white center channel buoy at the entrance to King Harbor.

10) The Start

- 10.1) Race will be started using Rule 26 with individual classes starting using a five-minute sequence. The committee will attempt *but is not obligated* to keep all start & restart times at five-minute clock intervals.
- 10.2) The starting line will be in the vicinity of "K" mark between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat and a staff with an orange flag floating to port from the Race Committee boat.
- 10.3) **Boats whose preparatory signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and all boats whose Preparatory Signal has been made.**

11) Safety (Category and Crew)

- 11.1) The race is a PHRF Category 4 event.
- 11.2) All boats must check in with the Race Committee on the water prior to the first class warning signal.

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- 11.3) A boat retiring **must** notify the committee ASAP or before the last boat to finish (whichever is sooner). The RC monitors VHF Ch.78.

12) The Finish

- 12.1) The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and the Redondo Beach East Jetty Light (#2) at the harbor entrance. Spinnaker boats must release a spinnaker line promptly after crossing the finish line.

13) Penalty System

- 13.1) The 720-degree turn penalty is replaced with a 360-degree turn penalty, to include one tack and one jibe, modifying rules 44.1 & 44.2. Rule 44.3 shall not apply.
- 13.2) Boats that accept and execute the turn penalty shall sign up to that effect on the form posted on the Official Notice Board after the day's racing within the protest time limit.

14) Time limit

- 14.1) Boats failing to start within ten minutes after their start signal shall be scored DNS.
- 14.2) Boats failing to finish by 2000 hours shall be scored DNF.

15) Protests

- 15.1) Boats intending to protest must notify the RC boat upon finishing.
- 15.2) Protests shall be written on forms available at the club and delivered to the Race Chairman, or PRO within 45 minutes after the race committee boat docks. The Committee will sound one signal and post docking time on the Official Notice Board. Protests will be posted as they are submitted.
- 15.3) Protests will be heard in the approximate order of receipt as soon as possible.

16) Scoring

- 16.1) The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A4 will apply.
- 16.2) PHRF RLC ratings apply.
- 16.3) Non-spinnaker, non-gennaker boats will have their PHRF defined offset added for scoring.

17) Prizes

- 17.1) Take home trophies will be awarded Saturday, as soon as possible after the event, on the upper level of the clubhouse. The Matt Walsh Perpetual trophy will be awarded at the Annual Racing Awards Trophy Night.