88th SCYA MIDWINTER REGATTA

February 18-19, 2017

Long Beach Yacht Club Long Beach, California USA



Sailing Instructions

The Organizing Authority (OA) is SCYA and the Long Beach Yacht Club (LBYC). The Host Club and Race Management (RC) will be provided by LBYC. LBYC is located at 6201 Appian Way, Long Beach CA 90803. Phone number is (562) 598-9401. Club and Event information are available at www.lbyc.org.

1 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the "rules" as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS). Individual One Design classes shall be governed by their class rules. The Farr 40 Class shall be governed by the Farr 40 Class Rules as amended by the Farr 40 West Coast Fleet local rules.
- 1.2. Competitors are reminded that under the preamble of Part 2 of the RRS boats racing must comply with International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) *or government right-of-way rules.*
- 1.3 RRS Appendix T1 is in effect.
- 1.4 Biodegradable yarn for banding spinnakers may be discarded. **This changes RRS 55.**

2 ENTRIES

Eligible yachts must enter by submitting a completed entry form to the Long Beach Yacht Club before 1600 hours, Friday, February 17, 2017.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official Regatta Notice Board located in the lower floor hallway at LBYC.

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1000 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours the day before it will take effect. A numeral pennant corresponding to the number of the most recent change will fly under the "L" flag from the LBYC Flagpole.

5 SKIPPERS MEETING

There is no skippers meeting scheduled. Please submit any questions via email to raceoffice@lbyc.org

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 The races are scheduled as follows:

Race	Day and Date	First Warning Signal
1	Saturday, February 18	1155 hours
2	Saturday, February 18	ASAP following Race 1
3	Saturday, February 18	ASAP following Race 2
4	Sunday, February 19	1155 hours
5	Sunday, February 19	ASAP following Race 4

The Race Committee (RC) will attempt to conduct five (5) races; three (3) races on Saturday, and two (2) races on Sunday, but reserves the right to run more races on Sunday if fewer races than scheduled are completed on Saturday. No race will be started after 1500 hours on Sunday February 19.

7 CLASS FLAGS – STARTING SEQUENCE

- 7.1 Starting Sequence for FIRST RACE each day will be Farr 40, Schock 35. RC may change order of starts for subsequent races.
- 7.2 Class Flags are listed in SI 11.6 below.

8 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the Pacific Ocean, approximately one (1) mile south of the Alamitos Bay Channel Entrance.

9 THE COURSE

- 9.1 The courses are described in Course Descriptions. The distance from Mark 3 to Marks 1 and 2 will vary depending on conditions. Prior to the Warning Signal, the RC will announce the distance to Marks 1 and 2 on VHF 68.
- 9.2 Marks 1 and 2 will be rounded to port.
- 9.3 When rounding the gate marks (3S and 3P), boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark. In the event that one of the gate marks is missing, boats shall round the remaining mark to port.
- 9.4 The number of the course to be sailed will be signaled by displaying a numeral placard on the stern of the RC signal boat.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 Marks 1, 2, 3S and 3P (gate) will be orange tetrahedrons.
- 10.2 New Marks, as described in instruction 13.1, will be yellow tetrahedrons.
- 10.3 The Starting mark, as described in instruction 11.2, will be a whip mark displaying orange over white flags.
- 10.4 The Finishing mark, as described in instruction 14, will be a whip mark displaying an orange over white flags.

11 THE START

- 11.1 Races will be started per RRS 26, with the warning signal given five (5) minutes before the starting signal. There will also be an attention signal approximately 1 minute prior to the warning signal for the first class. There may be a time gap between the start of the first class and the warning signal for the next class. The RC will attempt to announce its intentions on VHF 68.
- The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag over a white flag on the RC boat at the starboard end and a staff displaying an orange flag over a white flag on a buoy at the port end.
- 11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 11.4 The RC will attempt to broadcast sail numbers of any boat that is over the starting line before the starting signal on VHF channel 68. Failure to make a broadcast, timing of the broadcast or failure of a boat to hear the broadcast shall not be grounds for a request for redress. **This changes rule 62.1 (a).**
- 11.5 A boat starting later than ten (10) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.
- 11.6 The class flags are as follows:

FARR 40 WHITE FLAG with Farr 40 Insignia

Schock 35 Numeral Pennant One

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the position of the next mark, the RC will lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg toward the new mark, although the new mark may not yet be in position.

13.2 When a subsequent change of course is signaled and a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark.

14 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying orange over white flags on the RC boat and a staff displaying orange and white flags on a buoy.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS Appendix T1 shall apply. This changes RRS 44.1.

16 PROTESTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INFRINGEMENTS

- 16.1 Protest forms are available and shall be filed at the LBYC Front Desk.
- 16.2 The deadline for filing a protest is 45 minutes after the RC boat docks.
- Parties to the protest will be notified of the time and place of the hearing. Hearings may be scheduled the week of February 13. Failure to be present may result in the hearing proceeding without all parties present, as allowed by RRS 63.3(b).

17 SCORING

The regatta will be scored in accordance with Appendix A of the RRS using the Low Point System except that all races will count (i.e. there will be no discard).

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 Check-in. Before the Warning Signal for the first class to start each day, each yacht shall sail past the stern of the RC signal boat and hail her sail number, which will be acknowledged by the race committee. Yachts failing to check in may result in the yacht being scored "DNC".
- 18.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC before leaving the racing area or, when that is impossible, notify LBYC immediately upon arriving ashore.

19 PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded according to the SCYA trophy schedule.

20 ASSUMPTION OF RISK; WAIVER, RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION:

By entering this event, all competitors agree to the following statement: "I understand and agree that yacht racing involves the use and operation of marine equipment in extremely close proximity to other vessels, marks, buoys, and the shoreline in varied weather conditions and differing sea states, and further, that the captains and crews aboard other vessels may not be proficient in the operation of their respective vessels. I further understand and agree that this event is organized by volunteers who are not maritime professionals and who may or may not have formal training in vessel operation or race organization, all of which involves a substantial element of risk, including the risk of property damage or of personal injury or death. Notwithstanding these and other elements of risk and inconvenience. I wish to participate in this event because of my interest in yacht racing and the enjoyment and fulfilment that I derive from yacht racing. Therefore, in consideration of the Race Organizers (as defined below) allowing me and my crew to compete in the event described in this Race Entry Form and/or Notice of Race (the "Event"), I, of and for myself and my Vessel, and my crew, my heirs, assigns, crewmembers, partners, and agents (collectively "We"), hereby agree to accept any and all risks associated with this Event with the knowledge of the dangers and risks involved. We further agree to release Long Beach Yacht Club, including their respective owners, affiliates, officers, directors, members, employees, agents, committee persons, and race officials (collectively, the "Race Organizers"), and hold them harmless and indemnify them, from any and all disputes, actions, claims, demands, liabilities (collectively, "Incidents"), judgments, and attorney's fees which are related to or arise directly or indirectly from the activities associated with this Event (to the extent that We are involved in or participated in, or are alleged to have been involved in or participated in such Incidents), including, without limitation, those due to the negligence, fault or other act or omission of the Race Organizers." US Sailing Prescription Rule 82 shall not apply to this Event.

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SCYA Midwinters 2017 – Course Descriptions



Mark 2



COURSES

No.	Course	
1	START	1 FINISH
2	START	1-3-1 FINISH
3	START	1-3-1-3-1 FINISH
4	START	2 FINISH
5	START	2-3-2 FINISH
6	START	2-3-2-3-2 FINISH