

**Long Beach Yacht Club
Top Gun Challenge
August 18, 2018**

Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 No national prescriptions will apply.

1.3 The Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply.

1.4 Racing Rules 44 will be changed as follows: 1 A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty, consisting of one tack and one gybe, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2, Rule 31, or Rule 42 while *racing*. However, if a boat may have broken a rule of Part 2 within the zone of a mark other than a starting mark, the penalty that may be taken is a Two-Turns Penalty. **This changes RRS 44.1.**

2 NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the 3 official notice board located at Long Beach Yacht Club.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 Boats

4.1 Boats will be provided for all competitors, who shall not modify them or cause them to be modified in any way except that

- a. A compass may be tied or taped to the hull or spars;
- b. Wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat;
- c. Hulls, centerboards and rudders may be cleaned, but only with water;
- d. Adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the water line; and
- e. All fittings or equipment designed to be adjusted may be adjusted, provided that the class rules are complied with.

4.2 All equipment provided with the boat for sailing purpose shall be in the boat while afloat.

4.3 The penalty for not complying with one of the above instructions will be disqualification from all races sailed in which the instruction was broken.

4.4 Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment , however slight, to the organizing authorities representative immediately after securing the boat ashore. The penalty for breaking this instruction, unless the protest committee satisfied that the competitor make a determined effort to comply, will be disqualification from the race most recently sailed.

4.5 class rules requiring competitors to be members of the class association will not apply.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at Long Beach Yacht Club flagstaff.

5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with not less than 5 minutes' on the race signal AP.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Dates of Racing: August 18,2018

6.2 Number of Races: 5 intended

One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no class becomes more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to SI 3.

6.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1100.

6.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

6.5 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1330.

6.6 Flag A displayed, with no sound, while notes are finishing means 'No more racing today.'

7 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be the Soling class flag.

8 RACING AREAS

Attachment 1 shows the location of racing areas.

9 THE COURSES

9.1 The diagrams in Attachment 1 show the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, on the side on which each mark is to the left.

9.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

9.3 Courses will not be shortened. **This changes RRS 32.**

10 MARKS

10.1 Marks will be described in Attachment 1.

10.2 The following marks are rounding marks: X,V,C, F, and J.

10.3 New Marks, as provided in SI 12.1, will be orange buoy.

10.4 The starting line and finishing line will be between the starboard end of the race committee signal boat and an orange buoy.

10.5 A race committee vessel signaling a change of leg of the course is a mark as provided in SI 12.2.

11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting areas during the starting sequence for other races. [DP]

11.4 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. **This changes RRS A4 and A5.**

11.5 If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line during the two minutes before her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to broadcast her sail number on VHF channel 69. Failure to make a broadcast or to time accurately will not be ground for a request for redress.

This changes RRS 62.1 (a).

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or finishing line) to a new position.

13 THE FINISH

13.1 The finishing line will be the same as the starting line.

13.2 If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 The penalty, if any, for any infringement of the rules (including the Class Rules) other than rules of Part 2 will be at the sole discretion of the Protest Committee, and may be other than disqualification. **This changes RRS 64.1.**

15 TIME LIMITS

15.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

Class	Time Limit	Mark 1 time limit
Soling	2 hours	30 minutes

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. **This changes RRS 62.1(a).**

15.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. **This changes RRS 35, A4, and A5.**

16 PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

16.1 Protest forms are available at the race office located at Long Beach Yacht Club. Protest and request for redress or reopening shall be delivered within the appropriate time limit.

16.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

16.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at Long Beach Yacht Club, beginning at the time posted.

16.4 Notices of protest by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

16.5 A list of boats that, under SI 14.3 have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 will be posted.

16.6 Breaches of SOs 11.3, 18, 21, 23, 25, 26, and 27 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. **This changes RRS 60.1(a).**

16.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. **This changes RRS 62.2**

16.8 If the race committee posts a list of boats scored OCS, ZFP, UFD, or BFD on the official notice board before the protest time limit, a request for redress based on such a

posted score shall be made no later than one hour after the protest time limit. **This changes rule 62.2.**

17 SCORING

17.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will be used for scoring.

17.2 Three races will be required to complete the regatta.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

18.1 A boat that retires from a a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. [DP]

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee. [DP]

19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Request for submission shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP].

20 ADVERTISING

Boats shall display event advertising supplied by the organizing authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. [DP]

21 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked will RC flags.

22 SUPPORT BOATS

22.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support person shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boat have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement general recall or abandonment. [DP]

22.2 Support boats shall be marked with a pink ribbon.

23 TRASH DISPOSAL

All trash must be taken off the boat and thrown in trash can at the end of racing.

24 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Except in an emergency, 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. [DP]

25 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 finishers.

26 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.