

# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

HELLY HANSEN NATIONAL OFFSHORE ONE-DESIGN REGATTA

SAN DIEGO YACHT CLUB AND CORONADO YACHT CLUB MARCH 19-21, 2021 SAN DIEGO, CA

SAILING WORLD IS THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY FOR THIS REGATTA AND SAN DIEGO YACHT CLUB AND CORONADO YACHT CLUB ARE THE HOST CLUBS. THIS IS AN OFFICIAL US SAILING SANCTIONED EVENT.

THE NOTATION '[DP]' IN A RULE IN THIS NOTICE OF RACE MEANS THAT THE PENALTY FOR A BREACH OF THAT RULE MAY, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE PROTEST COMMITTEE, BE LESS THAN DISQUALIFICATION.

THE NOTATION '[NP]' IN A RULE IN THE NOTICE OF RACE MEANS IT SHALL NOT BE GROUNDS FOR PROTEST BY A BOAT. THIS CHANGES RRS 60.1(A).

## 1. RULES

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

**1.2** For the J70 Class: Class Rules Part III Sections I.3 (Outside Help) and I.4 (Corinthian Division) will apply.

**1.3** The Etchells Class will be sailing the NOOD as their Bill Bennett Memorial Regatta/West Coast Series 1 of 4 and the NOR for that series shall be applicable to the Etchells Class.

**1.4** [DP] For the purpose of RRS 47 TRASH DISPOSAL, biodegradable sail stops are not considered trash.

**1.5** The US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 shall not apply.

**1.6** [DP][NP] All boats are required to abide by the state and local laws, guidelines and recommendations as well as the host clubs' restrictions with regard to the COVID-19 virus. Links to these documents will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at: [https://yachtscoring.com/notice\\_board\\_summary.cfm?eid=13225](https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board_summary.cfm?eid=13225) as they become available.

## 2. PERSONAL FLOTATION

[DP] USCG approved PFDs are required to be worn by individuals while racing aboard boats that do not have fixed keels. This modifies RRS 40. The wearing of PFDs by individuals sailing aboard all other boats is encouraged.

## 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the race website at: [https://yachtscoring.com/notice\\_board\\_summary.cfm?eid=13225](https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board_summary.cfm?eid=13225). It is the responsibility of each competitor to check the Official Notice Board for any amendments or notices.

## 4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change in the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

## 5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

No official signals will be displayed ashore. Notifications to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

## 6. SIGNALS MADE AFLOAT

In accordance with RRS 90.2(c), oral changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made on the water. A change is in effect when the RC signal boat displays code flag L over A with one sound signal. This means come within hail of the Race Committee boat to receive the oral changes to the Sailing Instructions.

## 7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

**7.1** Racing: It is the intent of the OA and the Race Committee to run as many races as viable on each day of racing up to a maximum of ten races for the event. The first warning signal is scheduled for 1230 on Friday; and for 1130 on Saturday and Sunday.

**7.2** No initial Warning Signal will be made after 1530 on Sunday, March 21 .

## 8. DIVISIONS, CLASS FLAGS, AND STARTING SEQUENCE

**8.1** Prior to the first warning for the first race of each day, each boat is requested to check in with and be recognized by the Race Committee on the Race Committee vessel displaying Flag "L" by passing close aboard on starboard tack and hailing her sail number.

**8.2** Division, class flags, starting sequence and VHF Channel assignments will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

## 9. COURSES

**9.1** The courses will be displayed from the Starting Line Committee Boat. The designated course to be sailed will be displayed on a numerical placard. The approximate bearing to Mark 1 from the starting line will be signaled by numerical placard. The approximate distance to Mark 1 will be displayed on a marker board.

**9.2** Competitors are advised that classes may be sent to a windward mark set at

a distance different from that of a class starting previously. The proper distance to the windward mark for each class will be posted in accordance with Sailing Instruction 9.1.

**9.3** Mark 2 may be replaced by a gate.

## 10. MARKS

**CIRCLE A** - OCEAN - Original outer top mark (Courses 1 and 9) will be a yellow cone, orange pyramid change. Original inner top mark (Courses 3, 4, 5, 6) will be red Helly Hansen tomato, green pyramid change. Leeward marks will be yellow cones.

**CIRCLE B - SOUTH BAY** - Original top mark will be a red Helly Hansen tetrahedron with a yellow tetrahedron as the leeward mark(s), with orange pyramids for change marks.

## 11. STARTING SIGNALS

**11.1** The Starting Line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and course side of the port end starting mark.

**11.2** The warning signals described in RRS 26 will be the class flags as listed in the (Division Assignments, Initial Starting Order, and Class Flags) sheet posted on the Official Notice Board. Competitors should be aware that the starting order may be altered at any time.

**11.3** [DP] Boats not involved in a starting sequence, shall keep clear of the starting area and those boats preparing to start.

## 12. INDIVIDUAL RECALLS

Will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1. The Race Committee will endeavor to hail any OCS boat by VHF radio or "loud-hailer". Specific VHF channel assignments will be noted on the Official Notice Board per Instruction 8.2. Failure of electronic equipment, failure to hear a hail, order of hail, or delay in hailing will not be grounds for redress. This modifies RRS 62.1 (a).

## 13. RETIRING FROM A RACE

[DP] Boats retiring from a race are required to inform the Race Committee before leaving the race course, or by calling SDYC or CYC (as appropriate) upon returning to shore.

## 14. CHANGE OF COURSE DURING A RACE

When in a subsequent change a change mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark. A reminder: Flag C over a class

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flag will indicate that a change has been made for that class only. The absence of a class flag(s) under a signal flag indicates that the signal applies to all classes.

## 15. CHANGE OF COURSE BETWEEN STARTS

If there is a significant wind shift during a series of starting sequences, the Race Committee may signal a change of course the start sequence for a class as follows: At the preparatory signal, flag C will be displayed until the starting signal. The change mark will be as described in SI 10 MARKS. When, in subsequent change of course a change mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark.

## 16. THE FINISH

The Finish Line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a Race Committee boat and course side of the nearby finishing mark. It will be located approximately 100 yards to windward of Mark 1, for Courses 3 and 5. For Courses 4 and 6, the finish mark will be placed on the side of the Race Committee boat opposite that of the starting mark.

## 17. TIME LIMIT

If no boat in a class sails the course and finishes within two and one-half hours of the start for that class, the race for that class will be abandoned. Boats that have started, are still sailing, and have not finished within 30 minutes (adjusted for any handicap that might be applied) after the first boat to finish in their class will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired.....see SI 20.2). This changes RRS 35, A4 & A5.

## 18. PENALTY SYSTEM

**18.1** Penalties while racing: US Sailing Prescription V1 (PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT) shall apply.

**18.2** Penalties after racing: RRS Appendix T Arbitration will apply.

## 19. PROTESTS

**19.1** A boat intending to protest is requested to report her intention and the boat(s) being protested to the Race Committee at the finish or upon retiring. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

**19.2** Protest forms, scoring inquiry forms, and penalty acceptance forms (which can be found online at [https://yachtscoring.com/race\\_forms.cfm](https://yachtscoring.com/race_forms.cfm)) shall be delivered to

the race office by email [protests@sdyc.org](mailto:protests@sdyc.org).

**19.3** Protests, requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the race office by the protest time limit. The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee signal vessel docks. The race committee will post the protest time limit on the official notice board.

**19.4** The intent of the protest committee is to schedule and conduct hearings via tele-or video-conferencing after the day's racing. The protest committee will post a notice to inform competitors of the schedule and location of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

**19.5** When the race committee receives a scoring inquiry form, it will review its records and respond as soon as practicable.

**19.6** The race committee will post a list of race committee scoring actions no later than the protest time limit.

**19.7** Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

## 20. SCORING

**20.1** Except for the Etchells Class, each boat's total score will be the total of her race scores. No race scores will be excluded. This changes RRS A2.

**20.2** Boats scored TLE will receive points equal to the number of boats that finished within the Time Limit (SI 17) plus two (2) points. Such score shall not exceed the number of entries plus one (1) point. This changes A4 and A5.

## 21. COMMUNICATION

[NP] All competitors are encouraged to carry VHF radios. RRS 41 and 60.1(a) are modified to prohibit a competitor from protesting another if this is a violation of class rules. Radios may be used in the event of an emergency requiring outside assistance or to notify the Race Committee of a boat's intent to withdraw from racing.

## 22. COURTESY BROADCASTS

**22.1** An unofficial designated observer may report all visual signals displayed by the Race Committee over Course specific VHF channels. Reference VHF Channel assignments in Instruction 8.2.

**22.2** Information reported by the designated observer is provided as a courtesy to competitors and does

not in any way alter the competitors' responsibility to observe the Race Committee's visual signals which govern the conduct of the racing. Errors or omissions on the part of the designated observer will not be considered as grounds for redress.

## 23. PRIZES

**23.1** Prizes will be awarded by class.

**23.2** Each class winner is eligible for the 2021 Helly Hansen Caribbean NOOD Championship. The designated Challenger will be drawn at the conclusion the event.

## 24. BOOM STICKERS

Boats may be asked to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA, e.g., boom stickers and/or flags.

## 25. PHOTOGRAPHERS AND TV RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission to the OA for any photographs or video footage taken of themselves or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever; for either editorial or advertising purposes, or to be used in press information.

## 26. HAULING

[DP] Keelboats are prohibited from hauling during the period following the first signal of the first day, Friday, March 19th, 2021 until racing is concluded Sunday, March 21st, 2021. Centerboard classes are exempt from this restriction. Keelboats wishing to haul due to damage must request permission from the Protest Committee prior to hauling.

## 27. RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, WAIVERS, PERSONAL CONDUCT

**27.1** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule , Acceptance of the Rules. The OA, SDYC, and CorYC 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.

**27.2** The Skipper/Owner of each boat participating in the regatta shall be responsible for the behavior of each member of the crew of his/her boat both on the water and while ashore. The destruction of property, the breach of reasonable standards of good

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sportsmanship by any crew member, or any other person associated with the boat, or the failure of any of those persons to comply with the state and local laws, guidelines and recommendations as well as the host club's restrictions or with any reasonable request of the Organizing Authorities, Race Officers, Regatta Committee members, or their representatives, may result in the disqualification of the boat, and its exclusion from the regatta.

**27.3** It is the skipper's obligation to ensure that each crew member's waiver is reflected on the waiver list.

## 28. NOTICE

Racing yachts encountering non-racing craft shall conform to the Inland Rules of the Road. No racing vessel has rights of way over a large vessel in the channel and shall keep well clear of all deep draft ships. RRS 60.2, 63.1 and A5 are modified to add that the Race Committee may directly disqualify a yacht infringing this rule without a hearing.

## 29. NAVAL PROTECTION

**ZONE:** The Naval Protection Zone in a 500-yard regulated area of water surrounding all US Naval Vessels of 100' or more. All vessels within 500 yards of a US Naval Vessel shall operate at the minimum speed necessary to maintain safe course and speed and shall proceed as directed by any official patrol. NO VESSEL IS ALLOWED WITHIN 100 YARDS OF A US NAVAL VESSEL. These zones are permanently in effect.

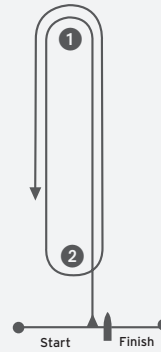
### COURSE 3



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"3" (Three Legs): This course is windward, leeward, finish to windward. The marks shall be rounded in order of 1, 2, finish. Mark 2 may be left on either hand on the first windward leg and Mark 1 may be left on either hand on the finishing leg.

### COURSE 4

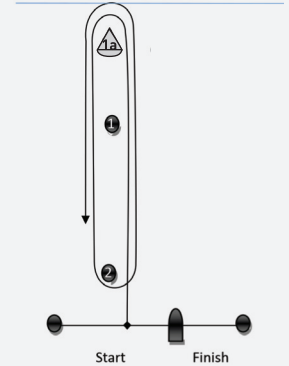


#### COURSE 4

"4" (four legs): This course is a windward, leeward, twice around, finish to leeward. The marks will be rounded in the order of 1, 2, 1, finish. Mark 2 may be left on either hand on the first windward leg and on the finishing leg.

## CIRCLE A - OCEAN ONLY

### COURSE 1

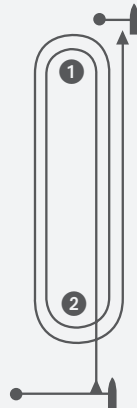


#### COURSE 1

"1" (four legs): This course is "outer" windward, leeward, twice around, finish to leeward.

The marks will be rounded in the order of 1a, 2, 1a, finish. Mark 2 may be left on either hand on the first windward leg and on the finishing leg.

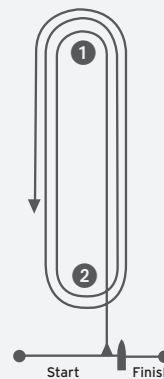
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"5" (five legs): Windward, leeward, windward, leeward, finish to windward; signaled by numeral pennant 5. Mark 2 may be passed on either hand on the first windward leg and mark 1 may be passed on either hand of the finishing leg.

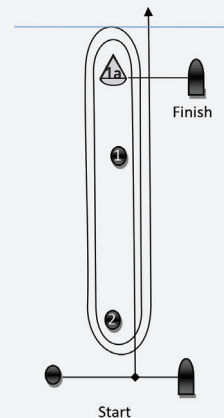
### COURSE 6



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"6" (six legs): This course is a windward, leeward, three times around, finish to leeward. The marks shall be rounded to port in the order of 1, 2, 1, 2, 1, finish. Mark 2 may be left on either hand on the first windward leg and on the finishing leg.

### COURSE 9



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"9" (five legs): This course is "outer" windward, leeward, "outer windward, leeward finish "outer" windward at 1a. The Marks will be rounded in order of 1a, 2, 1a, 2, finish. Mark 2 may be left on either hand on the first windward leg.