



2009 ROLEX BIG BOAT SERIES & ROLEX US-IRC NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

St. Francis Yacht Club

September 10-13, 2009

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in the *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 For boats racing in:
- (a) For the IRC divisions, the Ocean Safety IRC Rule 2009, Parts 1, 2 and 3 shall apply. Boats racing in IRC Division "A", "B", "C" and "D" shall hold endorsed certificates. Each boat's corrected time (CT) will be calculated to the nearest second (round 0.5 upward) by multiplying her elapsed time (ET) by her TCC ($CT=ET*TCC$).
 - (b) For One Design classes, their respective class rules will apply except that the J120 class will be sailing under Fleet Five class rules, and the J105 class will be sailing under Fleet One class rules.
- 1.3 For all Fleets, add new rule A4.3 (After-Race Scoring Penalty): A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while *racing* may take a penalty after she has *finished*, and prior to the start of a protest hearing if any involving the incident. Her penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty of 30% calculated as described in rule 44.3(c), but not more than that of a DNF score. However, if she caused injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach, her penalty shall be to retire.

2. Registration

Eligible boats shall complete registration with the StFYC Race Office prior to 1700 hours on September 9, 2009. Registration after this date will require the written approval by the StFYC Race Manager.

3. Notices to Competitors

- 3.1 Official Notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the hallway adjacent to the side (Regatta) entrance of StFYC.
- 3.2 Any changes in the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0930 hours on the day they are to take effect, except any changes in Sailing Instruction 5, Number & Schedule of Races, will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before it takes effect.
- 3.3 Questions regarding the Sailing Instructions may be submitted in writing to the Race Committee. Questions and written responses will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 3.4 The Race Committee may make VHF radio broadcasts. For Starting Area "CF" VHF channel 69 will be utilized. For Starting Area "NC", VHF channel 71 will be utilized. In emergencies, competitors may contact the Race Committee on these VHF channels.

4. Signals made ashore

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the halyards on the flagpole located on the StFYC Race Deck.

5. Number & Schedule of Races

| Race # | Race #1 Warning 1100 hours | | | Race #2 Following Race #1 | | | Race #3 Warning 1100 hours | | | Race #4 Following Race #3 | | | Race #5 Warning 1100 hours | | | Race #6 Following Race #5 | | | Race #7 Warning 1100 hours | | |
|------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| | Start Area | Starting Order | Finish Area | Start Area | Starting Order | Finish Area | Start Area | Starting Order | Finish Area | Start Area | Starting Order | Finish Area | Start Area | Starting Order | Finish Area | Start Area | Starting Order | Finish Area | Start Area | Starting Order | Finish Area |
| IRC Division "A" | NC | 1 st | C | CF | TBD | RD | CF | 1 st | B | NC | TBD | RD | NC | 1 st | C | CF | TBD | RD | CF | 1 st | RD |
| IRC Division "B" | NC | 2 nd | C | CF | TBD | RD | CF | 2 nd | B | NC | TBD | RD | NC | 2 nd | C | CF | TBD | RD | CF | 2 nd | RD |
| IRC Division "C" | NC | 3 rd | C | CF | TBD | RD | CF | 3 rd | B | NC | TBD | RD | NC | 3 rd | C | CF | TBD | RD | CF | 3 rd | RD |
| J120 | NC | 4 th | C | CF | TBD | RD | CF | 4 th | B | NC | TBD | RD | NC | 4 th | C | CF | TBD | RD | CF | 4 th | RD |
| ID35 | NC | 5 th | C | CF | TBD | RD | CF | 5 th | B | NC | TBD | RD | NC | 5 th | C | CF | TBD | RD | CF | 5 th | RD |
| IRC Division "D" | NC | 6 th | C | CF | TBD | RD | CF | 6 th | B | NC | TBD | RD | NC | 6 th | C | CF | TBD | RD | CF | 6 th | RD |
| Melges 32 | CF | 1 st | B | NC | TBD | RD | NC | 1 st | C | CF | TBD | RD | CF | 1 st | B | NC | TBD | RD | NC | 1 st | RD |
| Express 37 | CF | 2 nd | B | NC | TBD | RD | NC | 2 nd | C | CF | TBD | RD | CF | 2 nd | B | NC | TBD | RD | NC | 2 nd | RD |
| Beneteau 36.7 | CF | 3 rd | B | NC | TBD | RD | NC | 3 rd | C | CF | TBD | RD | CF | 3 rd | B | NC | TBD | RD | NC | 3 rd | RD |
| Cal 40 | CF | 4 th | B | NC | TBD | RD | NC | 4 th | C | CF | TBD | RD | CF | 4 th | B | NC | TBD | RD | NC | 4 th | RD |
| J105 | CF | 5 th | B | NC | TBD | RD | NC | 5 th | C | CF | TBD | RD | CF | 5 th | B | NC | TBD | RD | NC | 5 th | RD |

6. Class Flags

For One Design classes the class flag will be the class insignia on a white flag.
For IRC Divisions, the class flags will be the black Division letter on a white flag.

7. Racing Area

The Racing Area will be the San Francisco Bay and approaches.

8. The Courses

8.1 The courses are described on Attachment A – Course Sheet.

8.2 A placard designating the course will be displayed from the Signal Boat prior to each class' Warning Signal.

9. Marks

The marks are described on Attachment B – Description of Marks.

10. Areas that are obstructions

10.1 **Boats** shall not pass through the areas bound by the following objects and the closest point ashore:

- (a) The "H" Beam (located approximately 200 yards west of StFYC).
- (b) Anita Rock and it's Buoy "AR".
- (c) The South Tower of the Golden Gate Bridge.
- (d) The Bell Buoy off the west end of Alcatraz Island.
- (e) The buoy south of Point Blunt on Angel Island.
- (f) All breakwaters in the vicinity of Fisherman's Wharf and Aquatic Park.
- (g) Round orange buoy set off of Piers 39 and 45 (if set).
- (h) Round orange buoy set north of the StFYC Harbor entrance (if set).

10.2 The above-mentioned restricted areas are defined as obstructions.

10.3 A boat that breaks this rule may not correct her error per RRS 28.1 and shall retire. This changes RRS 28.1.

11. The Start

11.1 Starting areas:

- (a) City-front Starting Area "**CF**" will be northwest of Treasure Island and approximately one NM from Mark 18.
- (b) North Course Racing Circle Starting Area "**NC**" will be in the vicinity of the west end of the Berkeley Pier.

11.2 Races will be started using RRS 26. For the first race each day, the starting order will be the order stated in Sailing Instruction 5, Number & Schedule of Races. For all following races each day, the race committee will determine the starting order and signal the starts per RRS 26.

11.3 The Starting Line will be between staffs displaying orange and yellow striped flags on the Starting Line Mark Boats.

11.4 The Race Committee may hail the sail number(s) of the boat(s) identified on the course side of the starting line after the starting signal by loud hailer and/or VHF radio. The failure of a hail, the failure of a boat hearing the hail or the order of the hails shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

11.5 When a General Recall has been signaled, the start(s) for any succeeding class(es) will be postponed accordingly.

11.6 A boat that fails to start within 5 minutes of her starting signal shall be scored "DNS". This changes rule A4.1.

12. Change of the Next Leg of the Course

To change the position of the next mark, the race committee will lay a new mark identified by a black band and remove the original mark as soon as practical. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated without further signaling to maintain the course configuration. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

13. The Finish

Finish Lines:

- (a) "**RD**"– between mark "A" (yellow can outer StFYC Buoy) and a yellow placard on the StFYC Race Deck.

- (b) "B" – between a staff displaying an orange and yellow striped flag on a Race Committee boat and an yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set as the port end finishing mark. The finish line will be located approximately .3 NM at 330 degrees mag. from the northern tip of Treasure Island.
- (c) "C" – between a staff displaying an orange and yellow striped flag on a Race Committee boat and a yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set as a port end finishing mark located approximately 200 yards upwind of T1 or W.

14. Alternative Penalties

- 14.1 For the J120 and J105 classes, RRS 44.1 is modified by adding the following: Except for a starting mark, the turns penalty for a Part 2 rule broken inside the zone shall be a Two-Turns Penalty as prescribed in this rule without modification. The turns penalty for a Part 2 rule broken outside the zone shall be a one turn, including one tack and one gybe." This changes RRS 44.1.
- 14.2 For other One Design classes, RRS 44.1 shall apply without modification.
- 14.3 For IRC Divisions, RRS 44.3 (scoring penalty) shall apply.
- 14.4 A boat that takes a Scoring Penalty in accordance with RRS 44.3 shall complete a penalty declaration form. Declaration forms will be available at the Jury Desk, located next to the Official Notice Board. Completed forms must be lodged with the Jury Desk within the protest time limit (SI 17.1), as posted on the Official Notice Board.

15. Time Limit for Each Race

- 15.1 The Time Limit for each race will be 4 - 1/2 hours.
- 15.2 For One Design classes, a boat failing to finish within 45 minutes after the first boat in her class will be scored "DNF" by the Race Committee. This changes RRS 35 and A4.1.
- 15.3 For the IRC Divisions, a boat failing to finish within 90 minutes after the first boat in her division will be scored "DNF" by the Race Committee. This changes RRS 35 and A4.1.

16. Protest Arbitration

The provisions of Attachment C – Protest Arbitration apply.

17. Protests and Requests for Redress

- 17.1 Protests and requests for redress shall be written on Standard US SAILING Protest Forms. Protest Forms are available at the Jury Desk located next to the Official Notice Board. For all divisions and classes, protests and requests for redress shall be lodged with the Jury Representative at the Jury Desk within 60 minutes after the arrival of the last Race Committee Signal Boat ashore. This time limit will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 17.2 The time and place of all hearing(s), the boat(s) protesting, boat(s) being protested and boat(s) requesting redress will be posted on the Official Notice Board within 90 minutes after the arrival of the last Race Committee Signal Boat ashore. This shall serve as notification as per RRS 63.2.
- 17.3 In an effort to make the arbitration and protest hearing process more user-friendly, the Jury will use a pager system to informally alert parties of impending hearings. Upon filing a protest or learning they are a party to a protest, parties should obtain a pager (coaster) from the Jury Representative at the Jury Desk. The Jury will attempt to page the parties approximately five minutes before the hearing is to begin. Pagers will be returned to the Jury Representative at the Jury Desk, or if the Jury Desk is closed, to the Jury at the hearing, and parties failing to return pagers will be charged for the cost of the pager. Failure of the Jury to make a page or failure of a party to hear a page shall not be grounds for redress. Except for RRS 69, at the discretion of the Jury, hearings will take place as scheduled, with or without the presence of all parties.
- 17.4 A request to reopen a hearing on the last day of racing must be delivered to the front desk of the StFYC within 60 minutes of the parties to the protest receiving the Jury's decision (oral or written). This changes RRS 66.

17.5 Breaches of Sailing Instruction 20, 21 and 22 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes Racing Rule 60.1(a). At the discretion of the Jury, penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification.

18. Scoring

18.1 The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.

18.2 One race must be completed to constitute a series. Each boat's score will be the sum of her scores for all races. This changes RRS A2.

18.3 The 2009 US IRC National Champion shall be determined as follows:

The combined average corrected seconds per mile from all IRC classes for all races completed will be calculated and the boat with the lowest combined average corrected seconds per mile is the Champion. Only the winner of each IRC class will be eligible for the overall IRC National Championship trophy.

18.4 Scoring Inquiry Forms must be submitted in writing on forms available at the Jury Desk. Race Committee responses to these written inquiries will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

19. Safety Regulations

19.1 Competitors shall wear adequate personal buoyancy while racing, except for brief periods while changing or adjusting clothing. The "Y" flag will not be displayed. This changes RRS 40 and 27.1.

19.2 The provisions of Attachment D – Commercial Traffic, Safety apply.

20. Bow Stickers and Backstay Flags

20.1 All boats are required to apply Rolex bow stickers, supplied at Registration, to both sides of the hull as indicated by the sticker placement and application instruction sheet, which was attached to the supplied bow stickers.

20.2 Rolex backstay flags supplied at registration are required to be flown while racing. The backstay flag should be flown from the backstay approximately three feet above the deck when possible.

21. Support Boats

21.1 Due to limited dock space, support boats will not have access to the StFYC Guest Docks unless assigned a specific dock space by the StFYC Dock Master.

21.2 All support boats must stay clear and outside of and Race Committee boats or boats flying a Jury flag or Press flag at all rounding mark, start and finish lines.

21.3 If a support boat fails to comply with either of these requirements, the assisted boat may be given a 20% scoring penalty for the first race of each day of non-compliance.

22. Tracking

22.1 GPS tracking of all IRC Divisions boats will be used for public media purposes and to provide displays onshore. Information from the tracking system shall not be used as evidence, or be used as a basis for a protest or request for redress by either the Race Committee or a boat, although the International Jury may use available information from the system at their discretion. This changes RRS 60.1 and 60.2.

22.2 The following radio tracking procedure will be followed:

- a) Each race day between 0830 and 1000 hours one member of each crew shall personally collect and sign for their tracking device at the Jury Desk before leaving shore to race. A representative collecting the device or a signature by a representative shall be invalid.
- b) A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee and return her tracking device to the Jury Desk as soon as possible and within the end of the protest time limit. One member of the crew shall personally sign the list, which will be available at the Jury Desk to show that it has been returned.
- c) When returning ashore after racing, one member of the crew of each boat shall personally return the tracking device to the Jury Desk and sign the list to show that the device has been

returned. The opportunity to return and “sign off” tracking devices will be available up to the end of protest time limit.

- d) Any boat failing to comply with this procedure without any reason beyond her control may get a penalty of 5 points for each race of the day without a protest hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

23. Trophies

Trophies will be awarded to the top three place finishers in each class. When a class exceeds twenty-five entrants trophies will be awarded to the top five place finishers. In addition the following perpetual trophies will be awarded: St. Francis Perpetual, City of San Francisco Perpetual, Atlantic Perpetual, Keefe-Kilbourne Memorial, Richard Rheem Perpetual and Commodore’s Cup.

24. Berthing and Trailer Storage

- 24.1** Boats may be moored, free of charge, at the StFYC docks from Monday, September 7th through Monday, September 14th.
- 24.2** Storage trailers for boats shall be stored at the direction of the Dock Master and registered with a Race Office representative. All unregistered storage trailers may be ticketed and towed.

25. Haul Out

All boats shall remain in the water from the Warning Signal of their first race through completion of their final race. Boats shall not be hauled without the approval from the StFYC Race Manager.

ATTACHMENT A - COURSE SHEET

City Front Course Area

| Course Number | Starting Area | Rounding marks and the order in which they are to be rounded | | | | | | | | | | Finish Area | Total Distance |
|---------------|---------------|--|-------|-------|-----|-----|--------|----|----|----|----|-------------|----------------|
| 1 | CF | 1p | 1o | | | | | | | | | B | 7.98 |
| 2 | CF | 1p | 1o | 18p | 6p | | | | | | | B | 11.03 |
| 3 | CF | 16s | 17s | 18s | 6s | | | | | | | B | 12.90 |
| 4 | CF | 1p | 1o | 6p | 1p | 1o | | | | | | B | 13.06 |
| 5 | CF | 16s | 18s | 16s | | | | | | | | B | 14.80 |
| 6 | CF | 16p | 18p | 16p | | | | | | | | B | 14.80 |
| 7 | CF | 1p | 1o | 2gate | 1p | 1o | | | | | | B | 16.14 |
| 8 | CF | 1p | 1o | 2gate | 1p | 1o | 2 gate | 1p | 1o | | | B | 24.48 |
| 9 | CF | 1p | 1o | 6p | 1p | 1o | | | | | | RD | 7.06 |
| 10 | CF | 1p | 1o | 18p | 1p | 1o | | | | | | RD | 10.00 |
| 11 | CF | 1p | 1o | 2gate | 1p | 1o | | | | | | RD | 12.66 |
| 12 | CF | 1p | 1o | 2gate | 1p | 1o | 6p | 1p | 1o | | | RD | 15.22 |
| 13 | CF | 1p | 1o | 18p | 1p | 1o | 18p | 1p | 1o | | | RD | 15.50 |
| 14 | CF | 1s | 18s | 1s | 18s | 1p | 1o | | | | | RD | 15.50 |
| 15 | CF | 16s | 3p | Xp | 7p | 1p | 1o | | | | | RD | 13.36 |
| 16 | CF | 16s | 17p | 3p | Xp | 7p | 1p | 1o | | | | RD | 15.44 |
| 17 | CF | 16s | 17s | 18p | 6s | 8s | 4s | 1p | 1o | | | RD | 21.01 |
| 18 | CF | 16p | 18p | 8p | 3p | Xp | 7p | 1p | 1o | | | RD | 21.03 |
| 19 | CF | 16s | 17s | 18p | 10p | 3p | Xp | 8s | 4s | 1p | 1o | RD | 30.23 |
| 20 | CF | 1s | 2gate | 1p | 1o | | | | | | | RD | 12.66 |
| 21 | CF | 19p | 18p | 1p | 1o | | | | | | | RD | 16.56 |
| 22 | CF | 19p | 18p | 19p | | | | | | | | RD | 18.17 |
| 23 | CF | 19p | 10p | 3p | 10p | 19p | | | | | | RD | 33.44 |
| 24 | CF | 19p | 10p | 3p | 10p | 19p | 18p | 1p | 1o | | | RD | 38.32 |

North Course Area

| Course Number | Starting Area | Rounding marks and the order in which they are to be rounded | | | | | | | | | | Finish Area | Total Distance |
|---------------|---------------|--|-------|--------|-------|-----|--------|--------|-----|--------|----|-------------|----------------|
| 25 | NC | T1p | T1o | T2gate | | | | | | | | C | 6.40 |
| 26 | NC | T1p | T1o | T3p | T4p | | | | | | | C | 7.23 |
| 27 | NC | T1p | T1o | T2gate | T1p | T1o | T2gate | | | | | C | 10.40 |
| 28 | NC | T1p | T1o | T3p | T4p | T1p | T1o | T2gate | | | | C | 11.23 |
| 29 | NC | T1p | T1o | T2gate | T1p | T1o | T3p | T4p | | | | C | 11.23 |
| 30 | NC | T1p | T1o | T2gate | T1p | T1o | T2gate | T1p | T1o | T2gate | | C | 14.40 |
| 31 | NC | 1p | 1o | | | | | | | | | RD | 5.70 |
| 32 | NC | 9p | 18p | 1p | 1o | | | | | | | RD | 9.05 |
| 33 | NC | 9p | 7p | 8p | 1p | 1o | | | | | | RD | 11.33 |
| 34 | NC | 9p | 5gate | 1p | 1o | | | | | | | RD | 12.32 |
| 35 | NC | 9p | 5gate | 9p | 5gate | 1p | 1o | | | | | RD | 18.92 |
| 36 | NC | 19p | 18p | 1p | 1o | | | | | | | RD | 16.56 |
| 37 | NC | 19p | 18p | 19p | | | | | | | | RD | 18.17 |
| 38 | NC | 19p | 10p | 3p | 10p | 19p | | | | | | RD | 33.44 |
| 39 | NC | 19p | 10p | 3p | 10p | 19p | 18p | 1p | 1o | | | RD | 38.32 |
| 40 | NC | 3p | Xp | 7p | 1p | 1o | | | | | | RD | 13.20 |
| 41 | NC | 9p | 8s | 4s | 1p | 1o | | | | | | RD | 14.24 |
| 42 | NC | 16s | 17s | 18p | 6s | 7p | 1p | 1o | | | | RD | 17.40 |
| 43 | NC | 16s | 17p | 3p | Xp | 7p | 1p | 1o | | | | RD | 16.62 |
| 44 | NC | 3p | 10p | 1p | 1o | | | | | | | RD | 14.00 |
| 45 | NC | 16P | 18p | 8p | 9p | 7p | 1p | 1o | | | | RD | 18.81 |
| 46 | NC | 9p | 7p | 6s | 8s | 4s | 1p | 1o | | | | RD | 19.11 |
| 47 | NC | 16s | 17p | 3p | Xp | 8s | 4s | 1p | 1o | | | RD | 21.41 |
| 48 | NC | 16s | 17s | 18p | 6s | 8s | 4s | 1p | 1o | | | RD | 22.19 |
| 49 | NC | 16p | 18p | 8p | 3p | Xp | 7p | 1p | 1o | | | RD | 22.21 |
| 50 | NC | 16s | 17s | 18p | 10p | 3p | Xp | 8s | 4s | 1p | 1o | RD | 31.41 |

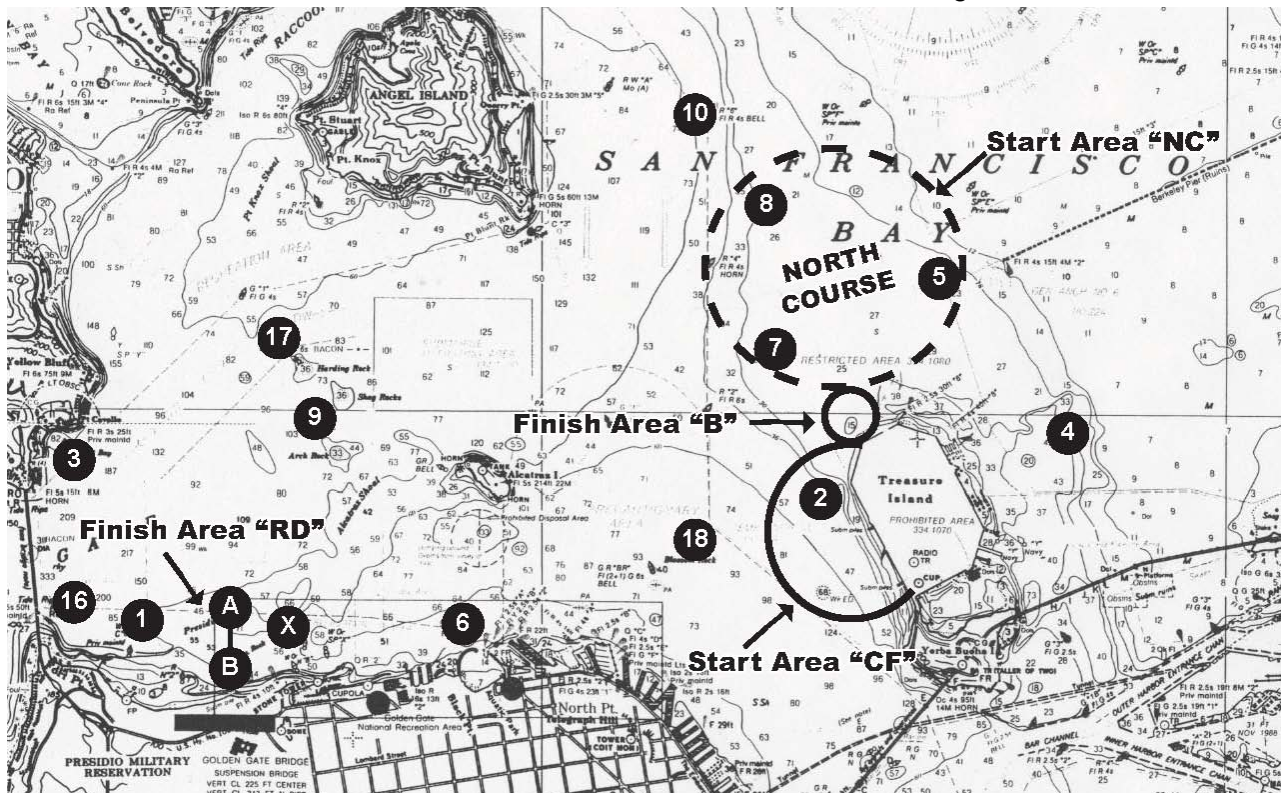
Alternate Course Area

| Course Number | Rounding Order | | | | | | | | | | Finish Area | Total Distance | |
|---------------|----------------|----|-------|----|----|--|--|--|--|--|-------------|----------------|-----|
| 51 | | Wp | Lp | Wp | Lp | | | | | | | C | TBD |
| 52 | | Wp | Lp | | | | | | | | | C | TBD |
| 53 | | Wp | Lgate | Wp | Lp | | | | | | | C | TBD |
| 54 | | Wp | Lgate | | | | | | | | | C | TBD |

For Courses 51 - 54, The Windward and Leeward Marks will be Inflatable Marks. The approx. compass course and distance to the Windard Mark will be displayed from the signal boat.

ATTACHMENT B - DESCRIPTION OF MARKS

- X Yellow sphere set North of the Golden Gate Yacht Club.
- A Outer yellow can mark off StFYC.
- B Inner yellow can mark off StFYC.
- 1 Yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set 300 yards at 350 degrees MAG. from FI R 2.5s "2" at Presidio Shoal.
- 10 Red inflatable cone set as a windward offset mark to be rounded in the same direction as the windward mark.
- 2 Yellow inflatable tetrahedrons or cones set as a leeward gate set .7NM at 40 degrees MAG from Green/Red "BR" FI Bell at Blossom Rock.
- 3 Yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set .5 NM at 55 degrees MAG from North tower of Golden Gate Bridge.
- 4 Yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set 2 NM at 72 degrees from Red "2" FI R 6 sec., .9 NM Northwest of Treasure Island.
- 5 Yellow inflatable tetrahedrons or cones set as a leeward gate placed .65NM at 228 degrees MAG. from the end of the Berkeley Pier.
- 6 Yellow can mark "M" 200 yards North of Fort Mason piers.
- 7 Red "2" FI R 6 sec., .9 NM Northwest of Treasure Island.
- 8 Red "4" FI R 4 sec. Horn, 1.0 NM East of Point Blunt.
- 9 Yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set .5 NM at 130 degrees MAG. from Green/Red "HR" 1 Qk FI R at Harding Rock.
- 10 Red "6" FI R 4 sec. Bell, 1.1 NM Northeast of Point Blunt.
- 16 Yellow can mark "TB" (Tom Blackaller) .2 NM East of Fort Point.
- 17 Green/Red "HR" 1 Qk FI R at Harding Rock.
- 18 Green/Red "BR" FI Bell at Blossom Rock.
- 19 Yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set as a windward mark placed 200 yards at 180 degrees Mag. from "RG" FL(2+1) R6s Bell at Point Bonita.
- T1 Yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set as a windward mark in the Treasure Island Racing Circle.
- T10 Red inflatable cone set as a windward offset mark to be rounded in the same direction as the windward mark.
- T2 Yellow inflatable tetrahedrons or cones set as a leeward gate in the Treasure Island Racing Circle.
- T3 Yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set as a gybe mark in the Treasure Island Racing Circle.
- T4 Red Inflatable cone set as a leeward mark in the Treasure Island Racing Circle.



ATTACHMENT C - PROTEST ARBITRATION

- C1.** Rule Change (Add to the end of rule 63.1): “Following an arbitration meeting, the arbitrator of that meeting may allow the protest to be withdrawn.”
- C2.** An arbitration meeting will be held prior to a protest hearing for each incident resulting in a protest involving a rule of Part 2 or rule 31, unless the arbitrator deems the incident inappropriate for arbitration. One representative of each *party*, who was on board at the time of the incident, will meet with the arbitrator. If all the *parties* to a protest are not represented, the arbitration meeting shall not be held. No witnesses will be permitted.
- C3.** After hearing the testimony, the arbitrator will offer one of the following opinions:
- (a) The protest committee would find the protest is invalid. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - (b) The protest committee would find that no boat broke a *rule*. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - (c) The protest committee would find that one or more boats represented in the arbitration meeting broke a rule of Part 2 or rule 31. The arbitrator will offer each (both) boat(s) the option to accept a Scoring Penalty, or to retire. The arbitrator will then give the protestor an opinion about whether a protest committee would be likely to assign any additional penalties. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - (d) A protest hearing is appropriate.
- C4.** The protest committee will schedule a protest hearing for any protests that are not withdrawn. Any boat that accepted an After-Race Scoring Penalty (ARSP) as described in the Sailing Instructions will not be penalized further as a result of the protest hearing, unless the protest committee concludes that the boat caused injury or serious damage, gained a significant advantage in the race or series, or broke a *rule* other than a rule of Part 2 or rule 31.
- C5.** If a protest is withdrawn, no protest hearing will be held, and the protest cannot be the subject of a request for redress or appeal.

ATTACHMENT D - COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC, SAFETY

- D1** Boats shall not impede the passage of commercial vessels and shall comply with the U.S. Inland Navigation Rules Act of 1980.
- D2** If a commercial vessel has sounded five blasts, and/or the vessel or the Coast Guard identifies an offending boat, the Race Committee shall protest the boat, in which case the Protest Committee shall assume that the identified boat has impeded passage or violated the U.S. Inland Navigation Rules, and the identified boat shall have the burden of proving otherwise. In the case of a complaint by a Vessel Traffic or the Coast Guard, the protest time limit shall be extended up to two days after the conclusion of the regatta.
This changes RRS 60.2(a) and 61.3.
- D3** A Race Committee boat may signal a boat to alter course to avoid impeding the passage of commercial vessels by making a sound signal (horn or whistle) and pointing Code Flag V at the boat. The signaled boat shall promptly comply with the signal unless compliance would create an unsafe condition. If a boat fails to comply with such a signal, the Race Committee shall protest the boat, in which case the Protest Committee shall assume that the course alteration would not have created an unsafe condition, and the protested boat shall have the burden of proving otherwise.
- D4** A boat may be penalized independently under D1, D2 and/or D3. A violation of any part this attachment shall not be exonerated by a Scoring Penalty, and a resulting disqualification shall not be excludable under RRS A2. The StFYC shall cooperate with and provide relevant information to the Coast Guard or other governmental authority regarding investigations of boats impeding ship traffic or violating U.S. Inland Navigation Rules.