



**SPRING ONE DESIGN/SPRING KEEL INVITATIONAL**  
**St. Francis Yacht Club**  
March 17-18, 2012

**CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS 1**

- 1) **SI 3.6** is modified as follows: Competitors in the **Open 5.70, Moore 24, and Knarr classes should monitor VHF 69** and **competitors in the J/105, Melges 24, and Express 27 classes should monitor VHF 68** for on the water communication with the Race Committee.
- 2) Add to **SI 7.2**: **The class flag for the Open 5.70 class will be a white flag with black and red insignia.**
- 3) **Attachment A, Official Description of Marks and Courses**, is modified as follows:

MARK	DESCRIPTION
1	Inflatable yellow cone set as a Windward Mark
1o	Inflatable red cone set as an Offset Mark
2	Inflatable orange cone set as a Windward Mark
2o	Inflatable orange ball set as an Offset Mark
3g	Two inflatable yellow cones set as a Leeward Gate (boats must pass between the two gate marks)
Change of Course Mark	Inflatable yellow cone with a black band

COURSE	ROUNDING ORDER
A	Start → 1 → 1o → 3g → Finish (upwind)
B	Start → 1 → 1o → 3g → 1 → 1o → 3g → Finish (upwind)
C	Start → 2 → 2o → 3g → Finish (upwind)
D	Start → 2 → 2o → 3g → 2 → 2o → 3g → Finish (upwind)
E	Start → 1 → 1o → Finish (downwind)
F	Start → 2 → 2o → Finish (downwind)

**\* Reference Sailing Instruction 6.3 for rounding direction**

- 4) Add **SI 16: The provisions of Attachment C - Protest Arbitration apply.**
- 5) **Add Attachment C – Protest Arbitration.**
  - C1.** A brief 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. One representative of each *party*, who was on board at the time of the incident, will meet with the arbitrator. No witnesses will be permitted. Note that an arbitration meeting will be terminated or not held if: (1) all the *parties* to a protest are not represented, (2) more than two parties are involved, (3) a boat may have caused injury or serious damage, (4) a boat may have gained a significant advantage in the race or series, (5) the arbitrator deems the incident inappropriate for arbitration.

- C2.** After hearing the testimony, the arbitrator will offer one of the following opinions:
- (a) The protest committee would find the protest is invalid. Subject to acceptance by the protestee, the arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
  - (b) The protest committee would find that no boat broke a *rule*, or that a boat or boats took an adequate on-the-water-penalty. Subject to acceptance by the protestee, 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 and failed to take an adequate on-the-water penalty. The arbitrator will offer each(both) boat(s) the option to accept an After-Race Scoring Penalty, or to retire. Subject to acceptance by the protestee, the arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
  - (d) A protest hearing is appropriate.
- C3.** 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.
- C4.** If a protest is withdrawn, no protest hearing will be held.

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