

MONTEREY PENINSULA YACHT CLUB

2019 RACE COMMITTEE TRAINING

BE PREPARED!

February 3, 2019

HOW SHOULD YOU PREPARE?

- THE RC TEAM
- THE WEATHER
- BOATS TO BE USED
- COURSE SELECTION
- AND, BY THE WAY...
 - THE NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1	RULES	THE RACING RULES OF SAILING 2017-2020- READ 'EM! FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS & REGULATIONS US COAST GUARD DIRECTIVES
2	NOTICES TO COMPETITORS	LOOK FOR NOTICES TO BE POSTED AT THE YC ON THE RACE BOARD: MARKS THAT ARE MISSING, STARTING LINE, TIME CHANGES...
3	CHANGES TO THE SI'S	TIME CHANGES MUST BE POSTED BY 8PM THE DAY BEFORE THE RACE OTHER CHANGES 2 HOURS BEFORE THE FIRST RACE START "L" FLAG ON THE WATER- MUST BE FOR ALL. RECORD THIS!
4	SIGNALS MADE ASHORE	MPYC FLAG POLE- THIS MAY BE FOR A POSTPONEMENT OR WEATHER DELAY NO LONGER 60 MINUTES AFTER DROP, USE COMMON SENSE!

SI'S CONTINUED

5	RACING SCHEDULE	SPRING, SUMMER AND FALL SERIES CHECK NUMBER OF RACES PHRF BREAK IS 100 & ABOVE FOR "B" FLEET RACE START TIME, WARNING 5 MINUTES BEFORE SUNSET SERIES STARTS AT 6 PM- BE ON TIME!
6	CLASS FLAGS	A FLAG FOR A FLEET B FLAG FOR B FLEET CLASS INSIGNIA FOR ONE DESIGN FLEETS
7	RACING AREAS	2019 MPYC COURSE SHEET SHOWS FIXED MARKS AND COURSES DO NOT FEEL THAT YOU NEED TO BE ARTISTIC AND DESIGN A "COURSE FROM HELL"
8	THE COURSES	LOTS OF OPTIONS USE OF "X" FOR MULTIPLE LAPS IF YOU MUST: Cs - Ms - Hs - Fs

SI'S CONTINUED

9	MARKS AND OBSTRUCTIONS	BIG LETTERS AND LOWER CASE LETTERS Gs Fp MISSING MARK = RACE ABANDONMENT OBSTRUCTIONS INCLUDE DIVERS & BOATS, ANCHORED YACHTS, SHIPS, KELP BEDS
10	THE START	ORANGE FLAG ON COMMITTEE BOAT AND NEARBY FLOATING MARK DESIGNATED BY RC RRS RULE 26 LATE STARTERS ARE DNS 10 MINUTES AFTER STARTING SIGNAL
11	THE FINISH	PER COURSE SHEET WHEN "F" IS "Z", OR NOT! "FROM THE COURSE SIDE"
12	TAKING A PENALTY	READ THE RULE! STAY CLEAR DO IT PROMPTLY WATCH FOR EXONERATION

SI'S CONTINUED

13	TIME LIMITS	LESS THAN 10 NM- 30 MINUTES LESS THAN 20 NM- 90 MINUTES TAIL END "CHARLIE"		
14	PROTESTS, ARBITRATION AND REDRESS	TIME LIMIT IS 2 HOURS AFTER LAST BOAT FINISHES LAST RACE OF THE DAY NOTE THE INTENT TO PROTEST OR ANY RED FLAG ON THE WATER TAKE THE COMPLETED PROTEST FORM AND NOTE TIME YOU RECEIVED IT, THEN GIVE IT TO JEAN!		
15	SCORING	TIME ON TIME- USE THE SAME WATCH OR CALIBRATE LEARN HOW TO ENTER TIMES TO GET RESULTS TERMS: DNF, DNS, RET, DNC, DSQ		
16	SAFETY REGS	CHECK IN RADIO'S	RETIREMENT DIVE BOATS-200 FT	PFD'S

SI'S TO THE END

17	EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT	INVOLVED ONLY IF THERE'S A PROTEST DIRECT PROTESTED BOAT TO THE MPYC DOCK
18	RADIO COMMUNICATIONS	RC MAY BROADCAST INFORMATION ON CHANNEL 68 A BOAT RETIRING SHOULD REPORT THIS TO RC RC MAY ANNOUNCE COUNTDOWN TIMING ON VHF 68
19	RACE COMMITTEE DUTY	EVERY SKIPPER REQUIRED TO PERFORM MINIMUM OF 3 ON RC- 4 IS BETTER 2 PER SMALL BOAT FIND YOUR OWN REPLACEMENT
20 & 21	PRIZES LIABILITY	LET JEAN WORRY ABOUT THESE!

THE RACE COMMITTEE TEAM

- DUNCAN'S WATCH: 3 IS MINIMUM; 4 IS BETTER
- WHALERS AND RIB: 2 PER BOAT
- ALL PILOTS NEED TO BEA MEMBER & QUALIFIED
- LOGISTICS: LUNCHES, BEVERAGES
- FLAGS ON BOATS: INSPECT EARLY- THEY MAY HAVE BEEN MOVED!

THE WEATHER

- LOOK AHEAD
- NOAA WEATHER
- WEATHERBUG
- SAILFLOW
- DRESS TO STAY OUT
- EVALUATE THE WEATHER ON BOATS COMPETING
 - SMALL BOATS ARE MORE VULNERABLE
 - LESS-EXPERIENCED SKIPPERS AND CREW
 - ASK FLEET CAPTAINS IF IN DOUBT

BOATS TO BE USED

- DUNCAN'S WATCH-CREW WITH 3-4
 - CHECK BATTERY AND FUEL
 - AIR FLAGS OUT
 - COURSE BOARD
 - INSPECT FLAGS ON BRIDGE AND IN CABIN
- HETTY GREEN AND RACER CHASER-CREW WITH 2
 - GREAT PLATFORMS FOR MARK SETTING
- RIB
 - GOOD FOR PIN SETTING AND SAFETY
 - LIMITED ROOM ON BOARD FOR MARKS OR CAMERAMAN

COURSE SELECTION

- WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED
- LENGTH
- NUMBER OF RACES
- SYNCHRONIZING FINISHES
- WHEN TO RESTRICT FINISH
- FINISHING FROM TWO DIRECTIONS..WHEN YOU CAN'T AVOID IT

TARGET COURSE LENGTHS

CLASS / WIND SPEED	3-6 MPH	7-12 MPH	12-20+ MPH	SUNSET SERIES
A	3-6 NM	6-11 NM	8-12 NM	4 - 8 - 4
B	2-5 NM	5-9 NM	6-9 NM	3 - 7 - 3
SANTANA 22 ODR	< 1-3 NM	4-6 NM	4-6 NM	2 - 4 - 2
SHIELDS	1-4 NM	5-8 NM	5-8 NM	3 - 7 - 3

NOTE 1: ABOVE DISTANCES APPLY WHEN CONDUCTING MULTIPLE RACES ON THE DAY

NOTE 2: DOUBLE DISTANCES FOR SERIES SINGLE RACE DAYS

NOTE 3: SUNSET SERIES REQUIRES JUDGEMENT CALL BASED ON WIND SPEED AND DAYLIGHT. RACE TIMES SHOULD BE 40-75 MINUTES.

ON THE WATER

- ANCHORING TO ESTABLISH START AND FINISH
- COURSE SELECTION
- START
 - FINAL WX CHECK, COURSE POSTED, 5-MINUTE SEQUENCE(RRS PART 3, RULE 26) , OLLIE BOX, SILENCE EXCEPT FOR SAFETY!
 - INDIVIDUAL RECALL IS “X” AND HORN; GENERAL RECALL IS “FIRST SUBSTITUTE AND 2 HORNS
- RC DUTIES
 - TIMER, BACK-UP TIMER, SITE LINE, FLAGS & RECALL FLAGS, SCRIBE
- THE FINISH
 - FIRST PART OF BOAT “IN NORMAL POSITION”
 - HITTING THE FINISH MARK

CRISES AND WHOOPS!

- SHORTENING COURSE
- MISSING MARK-SI'S REQUIRE ABANDONMENT
- HORN LATE
- FLAG LATE
- WIND DIES- ABANDON OR SHORTEN COURSE?
- SIGNIFICANT WIND DIRECTION CHANGE
- RC DRIFTS/BREAKS ANCHOR



THE ONLY DUMB QUESTION IS ONE THAT IS NOT ASKED

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