



ENCINAL YACHT CLUB GRACIE & GEORGE REGATTA SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

August 9, 2008

1.0 Rules: For this race, racing will be governed by the 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association, and these sailing instructions.

1.1 Eligibility: This is a Category A Regatta.

1.2 Skipper & Crew: Only two people will be allowed on each yacht. Female skipper, male crew. The skipper must helm during the pre-start, the start, all legs of the course and the finish. She will be allowed to leave the helm for only brief moments for physical comfort or in rendering assistance with sail handling.

1.3 Non competing Yachts: Competitors are advised that non competing yachts are not governed by the RRS Rules as adopted by the US Sailing and that the Inland Rules of the Road govern meetings with non competing yachts.

2.0 Entries: Races are open to monohull displacement sailboats and Multi-Hulls with an overall length of at least 20 feet. Membership in a yacht club is not a requirement to race. Entries will be accepted until Friday, August 8, 2008, 1800hrs.

2.1 Entry Fee: \$45.00.

2.2 PHRF Rating: All boats must have a current PHRF certificate issued by the Northern California PHRF Committee on file at the YRA of San Francisco Bay office. Standard production boats which do not have a current PHRF Certificate will be assigned a PHRF rating by the Race Committee which in the committee's sole judgment reflects the speed potential for the yacht. There will be no appeal of a rating so assigned except by providing the committee with a copy of the current Northern California PHRF Certificate prior to the Warning Signal.

2.3 Non Spinnaker Yachts: Yachts that choose not to use a spinnaker must so notify that race committee before the start of the race. A nine (9) second advantage will be added to that yacht's PHRF rating.

2.4 Sport Boats: Yachts considered Sport Boats are Antrim 27, Wylie Wabbit, Mumm 30, Melges 24, J-80, Azzura 310, Pyramid 660 or custom boats of similar weight and design to be designated solely at the Race Committee's discretion. They will be eligible for the overall trophy but will have a 3 second per mile penalty applied to their PHRF rating.

2.5 Multi-Hulls: Multi-Hull yachts will be eligible for the overall trophy but will have a 3 second per mile penalty applied to their PHRF rating.

2.6 Cat-Rigged Boats: Boats without a foresail, i.e. cat rigged boats, will race in their PHRF division and will be eligible for the overall trophy but will have a 3 second per mile penalty applied to their PHRF rating.

3.0 Courses and Mark Descriptions: See Attached Course Sheet

4.0 Management: Racing will be under the management of the Race Committee of Encinal Yacht Club which shall have full authority to interpret the rules and conditions governing the race, to decide eligibility and protests and to reject the entry of any yacht.

4.1 On-the-Water Communications: The Race Committee will monitor VHF channel 66 for traffic concerning withdrawals and emergencies in the race fleet. The Race Committee will broadcast on VHF channel 66 any instructions relating to cancellation or abandonment of the race. Boats without a radio are asked to notify the Race Committee before the race.

5.0 Starting Times and Signals Warning Signal 1250 hrs. Races will be started using rule 26. The warning signal for each succeeding class shall be made with or after starting signal of preceding class.

5.2 Late Starts: No yacht shall be scored as starting if her start is more than 15 minutes after her division starting time, unless she calls the Race Committee on VHF channel 66 or hails the committee boat of her desire to start late and is given permission to do so.

5.3 Course Signal: Signaled by international code numeral flags and may not be changed after the warning signal is made. All divisions will sail the same course.

6.1 Missing Marks: May be replaced by temporary club marks or a committee stake boat displaying the international flag "M".

7.0 Restricted Area - Start Line: Any yacht whose warning signal has not been made is required to stay clear of any yacht whose warning signal has been made. Yachts shall not cross the start line after the warning signal for the first start has been made unless they are preparing to start or starting. This area is restricted only while the committee boat is on station.

8.0 Postponement: The signal to postpone will be the hoisting of the answering pennant and the firing of two guns. The postponement period will end with the lowering of the answering pennant and one sound. One minute after the ending of the postponement period, the warning signal will be made signifying the resumption of the regular starting sequence.

9.0 Individual Recall: Yachts prematurely across the starting line at their starting signal will be signaled by the hoisting of international code flag "X" on the committee boat. Each yacht individually recalled will be hailed "over early" by sail number, and broadcast on VHF 66. Nothing shall relieve a yacht from making a proper start.

9.1 General Recall: Recall of the entire start will be signaled by the hoisting of the first substitute international code pennant and two sounds to call attention to the signal. All of the starting yachts will

start again at the next five minute starting signal and sail the course signaled at their original warning signal. All following starts will start in their assigned sequence.

10.0 2 Turns Penalty: The 2 Turns penalty as written in 44.1 and 44.2 of the 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing will be in effect.

11.0 Shortened Course: If the Race Committee elects to shorten the course, the committee boat will take station at a mark of the course and thereby establish a new finish line. The committee boat will display international code flag "S" and the blue shape or a blue flag to indicate the course is shortened and the committee boat is on station and recording your finish.

12.0 Time Limit: 1800 hours.

13.0 Withdrawals: Any yacht withdrawing from the race must notify the Race Committee of that fact either by hail, on VHF channel 66, or by phone to 510-517-3922.

14.0 Protests: Must be filed in writing on a ISAF standard protest form or its facsimile and delivered in person to the Race Committee not later than 1 hour after the protester finishes. Only protests that affect the outcome of the trophies to be presented will be heard that day. The times of the protest hearings will be posted on the upstairs bulletin board of the Encinal Yacht Club and it will be the responsibility of the protester and protestee to be present at the time designated. For any other protests, if all parties to a protest are present and agree, the protest may be heard and decided by the PRO that night at Encinal Yacht Club or at a time to be agreed upon by the PRO and the skippers involved in the protest. This informal procedure may be terminated by the PRO or either of the skippers involved in the protest for any reason at any time before a decision is rendered.

15.0 Race Results: Preliminary results of the race will be posted in the upstairs lounge of the Encinal Yacht Club following the last finish. Final results will be posted on the Encinal Yacht Club web page at <http://www.encinal.org>.

16.0 Scoring: RRS Appendix A2 Preamble Low Point Scoring System will be in effect.

17.0 Trophies: Will be awarded at Encinal Yacht Club following the race. The Gracie & George Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the first yacht overall based upon the lowest corrected time. All entries will be scored within their respective divisions.



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LOCATION OF START LINE: In the area of Alameda Naval Air Station R "2". In between a temporary inflatable orange YC buoy and an orange flag located on the committee boat.

LOCATION OF FINISH LINE: Between Mark "X" and an orange flag on the guest dock at EYC.

STARTING TIMES AND SIGNALS: Warning signal at 1250.
Races started using 2005-2008 rule 26.

Title	Signal	Minutes before start
Warning	Class Flag; 1 sound	5
Preparatory	P,I,Z or Black; 1 sound	4
One-minute	Prep removed; 1 long sound	1
Starting	Class flag removed; 1 sound	0

Succeeding Classes will be started as follows:

A	Sport Boats and PHRF < 121	1255
C	PHRF 121 and above	1300
D	Multi-Hull	1305

DESCRIPTION OF MARKS:

- SC - YRA Mark "S.C." FL G/R 4 Sec. at approx N37 46.55' W122 21.94'.
- 32 - YRA Mark 32 Y "A" FI Y 4 Sec.
- 4 - Alameda Naval Air Station entrance mark FI R 4s 12 ft "4"
- 2 - Temporary orange YC buoy near Alameda Naval Air Station Channel Mark R "2" FI R 4s
- E - An imaginary line between FI G (green) Day Marker "7" 5s 30ft and FI R (red) Day Marker "8" 6s 15ft at the Oakland Estuary **Entrance**.
- X - Temporary Orange Y.C. Buoy located mid-channel in the Oakland Estuary off Encinal Yacht Club.

SPINNAKERS: Spinnakers may not be used before you reach the mark described as E. At that time you may use your Spinnaker as soon as any part of your boat crosses the imaginary line "E".

COURSE DIST.	START	MARK	MARK	MARK	MARK	MARK	FINISH
1. 12.4nm	2-s	SC-p	32-p	4-p	SC-s	E	X-p.
2. 8.25nm	2-s	SC-p	4-p	2-s	E		X-p.

Time limit: 1800hrs.