



# Berkeley Yacht Club

1 Seawall Drive, Berkeley CA 94710

## J/24 “OKTOBERFEST” ONE-DESIGN REGATTA

October 17th, 2015

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**Organizing Authority: Berkeley Yacht Club**  
Berkeley, California

#### 1 RULES

**1.1** This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing for 2013-2016 including US Sailing Prescriptions (RRS).

**1.2** RRS 40 is deleted and replaced with “Competitors shall wear life jackets or other adequate personal buoyancy while racing. Personal flotation may be removed briefly while shifting clothing/gear.” Note that Code Flag Y will not be displayed.

**1.3** For the J/24 Class, Appendix T Section A (PENALTIES WHILE RACING) shall apply. The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: “A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.”

**2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS** Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the BYC clubhouse.

**3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

#### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

**4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the main flagpole located at the BYC Clubhouse.

**4.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 60 minutes’ in race signal AP.

#### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

**5.1 Saturday, October 17th** – 4 races are scheduled, with first warning signal shall be at 1130 hours

**5.2** After the first race, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boats that another race will begin soon, a series of short sound signals and a radio announcement on VHF 78 may be made. No race will be started after 1530 on Saturday October 17th.

**6 CLASS FLAG** The class flag for the class will be as follows:

- J/24 Class flag – J/24

**7 RACING AREA** The racing area for all starts will be in the vicinity of the Berkeley Yacht Club BYC-S mark and will be bounded by the area around the Berkeley Olympic Circle “XOC” station.

## **8 THE COURSES**

**8.1 Attachment A** shows the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

**8.4** The course to be sailed will be designated by flags, numeral pennants, displayed from the race committee signal boat.

**9 MARKS** All Marks will be as described in the sailing instructions, except that new marks, as provided in instruction 11, will be yellow inflatable buoys.

## **10 THE START**

**10.1** Races will be started by using RRS 26.

**10.2** The starting line will be between an orange flag on the race committee boat and the BYC-S yellow pylon mark.

## **11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

## **12 THE FINISH**

The finish line for courses 1, 2, 3 will be between a blue flag on a race committee mark boat and the BYC-S yellow pylon mark.

## **13 TIME LIMITS**

Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat in the fleet sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

## **14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

**14.1** Protest forms will be available at the Regatta Table in the club house. Protests shall be delivered to the race committee representative at the Regatta Table within the protest time limit, which shall be one hour after the race committee signal boat returns to the dock. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

**14.2** Notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board within 30 minutes of the conclusion of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings to which they are parties, along with the time and location of the hearing. Such notice shall serve as notification per RRS 63.1 and 61.1(b).

**14.3** Requests to reopen a hearing held on October 17th shall be delivered to the race committee representative at the regatta table within 30 minutes of a party receiving the hearing results in writing. This changes RRS 66.

## **15 SCORING**

**15.1** One race must be completed to constitute a series.

**15.2** Boats will be scored by the low point scoring system found in Appendix A with no races excluded.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

**16.1** Check-in and check-out: Boats are requested to check in with the race committee by sailing by the committee boat, on starboard tack, prior to the first warning signal. Boats leaving the racing area prior to the conclusion of racing are requested to notify the race committee, by VHF 78 if possible.

**16.2** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. The race committee will monitor VHF 78.

**17 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS** Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta, unless the PRO has approved a written request for haul-out.

## **18 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

**18.1** A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

**18.2** The Race Committee may use VHF channel 78 to communicate information about course selection and the sail numbers of boats that are OCS or have violated RRS 30. Neither failure of the race committee to communicate the sail numbers of recalled boats in a timely manner, nor failure of a recalled boat to receive or hear transmitted information, will be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

## **19 PRIZES**

**19.1** Prizes will be awarded after the racing, on Saturday, October 17th, at the BYC clubhouse.

**19.2** Unclaimed prizes will be held at the Race Committee Office for a period of one month only.

## **20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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.

Michael Whitfield – One-Design Principal Race Officer  
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ATTACHMENT "A" - COURSES

Course	
1	S-W (to port) -Finish
2	S-W (to port) -L (to starboard) -W (to port) -Finish
3	S-W (to port) -L (to starboard) -W (to port) -L (to starboard) -W (to port) -Finish

1. Mark W is a lime green tetrahedron.
2. Mark "L" is the BYC-S starting line mark, a yellow pylon marked "BYC-S", and is to be rounded to starboard.
3. In courses 1, 2 and 3 the finishing line will be with the Race Committee boat to port, flying a blue flag, and the BYC-S/"L" yellow pylon mark to starboard.

