

**2010 Matchless Match Race Regatta**  
**September 11 & 12, 2010**  
**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the "rules" as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012, together with any notices issued by the Race Committee, which will control in case of conflict.
- 1.2 Appendix C, Match Racing Rules, will apply, except only the start of a match will be umpired.
- 1.3 Any competitor whose skipper or crew is observed intentionally discharging refuse overboard during any race day will be disqualified from that day's racing upon a successful protest by the Race Committee or an Umpire.

**2 ENTRIES**

Eligible boats may enter by completing the required registration with South Bay Yacht Racing Club ("SBYRC"), including payment of the entry fee, before the filing deadline prescribed in the Notice of Race.

**3 SKIPPERS MEETING AND LECTURE**

- 3.1 There will be a **mandatory** meeting at 0900 hours, Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup> 2010, at South Coast Corinthian Yacht Club, 13445 Mindanao Way, Marina del Rey. Entry packets will be distributed that will include flag identification, a yellow and a blue pennant, and a Yankee flag.
- 3.2 Immediately following the meeting, a match racing lecture will be presented to help familiarize skippers and crews with the basic tactical and strategic principles of match racing.

**4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

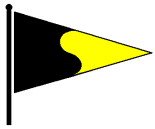
Notices for the racers will be posted by 1030 hours on Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup> 2010, at SCCYC's Notice Board.

**5 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

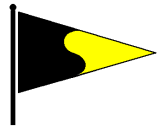
- 5.1 Any change in the Sailing Instructions will be posted in a Notice.
- 5.2 Oral instructions on the water will be prescribed by the Principal Race Officer (PRO) only, and may be relayed only by a boat displaying a Race Committee or Umpire flag.

**6 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 6.1 The racing will take place on two days, September 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> 2010. The Race Committee will attempt to run as many matches as conditions allow, with subsequent matches starting as soon as possible after completion of the preceding flight. The schedule of races for the day will be posted in a Notice.



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6.2 The Attention signal for the first start of the day will be at 1230 hours on Saturday and 1200 hours on Sunday. The Attention signal for subsequent matches in a flight will be made one minute after a signal of multiple sounds.

6.3 Type of Racing:

(a) The regatta will be match racing.

(b) The regatta is scheduled to be a round robin series of six flights. Each competitor will be matched against each of the other competitors in its fleet, as outlined in the Pairing List attached as the last page of these Sailing Instructions.

6.4 The Principal Race Officer may end racing when there is agreement with the Chief Umpire that it is impractical or imprudent to hold the balance of the planned matches under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. This will be signaled with the abandonment ("N" flag) or postponement (answering pennant) signals.

## **7 YACHT IDENTIFICATION**

An identification flag shall be attached to the backstay.

## **8 CLASSES**

Pairings will be established based on entries received by 1900 hours on Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. Pairings and Class Flag designations will be posted in a Notice.

## **9 RACING AREA**

The races will be conducted in Santa Monica Bay off the Venice pier northwest of the Marina del Rey harbor entrance.

## **10 COURSES**

10.1 A Course Chart is attached to these Sailing Instructions with a diagram and table of courses that may be used. All marks are to be rounded to starboard.

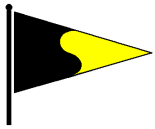
10.2 The Race Committee will signal the Course for a match not later than the Preparatory signal by displaying the appropriate code flag(s). This changes Rule 27.1.

## **11 MARKS**

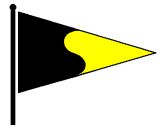
Race marks will be set by the Race Committee. Mark W will be a large orange tetrahedron, Mark V will be a large yellow tetrahedron, and Mark L will be a large orange tetrahedron. The starting and finish marks are described in SI 13.1 and 15.1, respectively.

## **12 CHECK-IN**

To rank as a starter, each competitor must check-in and be recognized by the Race Committee prior to the Attention signal for the first start of the first race of each day.



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## 13 THE START

13.1 The Starting Line will be between an orange tetrahedron at its port end and an orange flag on the port side of the Race Committee boat.

13.2 Matches will be started in accordance with Rule C3.1, modified to read as follows:

The Starting signal for one match shall be the Warning signal for the next match, unless there is a change in the sequence of Classes (see SI 13.3).

<i>Time in minutes</i>	<i>Visual signal</i>	<i>Sound signal</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
6	Flag "F" displayed	One	Attention signal
5	Flag "F" removed Match numeral pennant displayed, *	One	Warning signal
4	Flag "P" displayed Course flag displayed	One	Preparatory signal, begin pre-start entry time
2	Blue and/or yellow flag displayed, **	One **	End of pre-start entry time
0 5	Flag "P" removed, Match numeral pennant displayed, *	One	Starting signal; and Warning signal for next match

The above five-minute sequence is repeated through the complete schedule of matches for a flight.

\* Within a flight, numeral pennant 1 means Match 1, pennant 2 means Match 2, etc.

\*\* This signal will be made only if a boat fails to comply with Rule C4.2 (crossing the starting line from the course side to the pre-start side within the two minute pre-start entry time). The flag(s) will be displayed until the Umpires have signaled a penalty, but not longer than one minute.

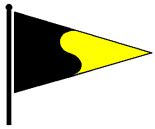
13.3 ***If the starting order is changed from that posted***, the PRO will announce the change on VHF Channel 68.

13.4 Boats whose Warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of all boats whose Warning signal has been made or who are racing, including boats finishing.

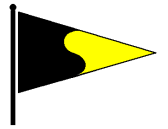
13.5 Order of Starting:

(a) Flights and matches for will be sailed in the order set forth on the Pairing List attached to these Sailing Instructions, unless it is altered by the Principal Race Officer.

(b) The starting sequence for the next flight will begin as soon as possible after all boats have finished the previous flight. **The Race Committee will not necessarily wait for the**



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**other fleets to finish their flights before starting another fleet's flight.** This will be signaled as described in SI 13.3.

(c) When competitors in a match are not present to start at its intended time, the signals and starts for the following matches will remain as originally scheduled, leaving a blank start for the pair not starting.

(d) If a Class has an odd number of entries, the Class shall use the Pairing List for the next greater even number of boats, and the extra bow number is a "bye" boat. A match which includes a "bye" boat, either because of an odd number of entries or because a competitor dropped out, will be started normally in its sequence, and the boat paired with the "bye" boat must cross the Starting Line as usual but should not complete the course or interfere with other boats preparing to start or racing.

## **14. NOTICE OF RETIREMENT, CONCESSION**

- 14.1 A boat that retires from racing must notify the Race Committee or an Umpire on the water or, if this is not possible, contact the **event chair** by calling (310) 866-0977 immediately upon arriving ashore. Competitors failing to do so may be barred from future races.
- 14.2 If a competitor retires, concedes or forfeits a match, or is disqualified under Rule C5.4, the opponent will be scored the winner of that match without sailing the course.

## **15. THE FINISH**

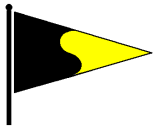
- 15.1 The Finishing Line will be between an orange flag on the starboard side of the Race Committee boat and an orange flag on a spar buoy, as illustrated in the Course Chart.
- 15.2 Each boat's finish will be signaled from the Race Committee boat by a whistle sound.

## **16. UMPIRING**

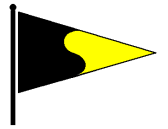
- 16.1 On-the-water Umpires will be used to decide protests in this regatta until the boats have started. See Appendix C, Match Racing Rules, for the rules that apply.
- 16.2 If a boat incurs more than two penalties before starting, she shall forfeit that match.

## **17. PROTESTS**

- 17.1 Method of Protest:
  - (a) Before the boats have started, protests must be done in accordance with SI 16 above.
  - (b) After the boats have started, protests must be in accordance with Part 5 of the Rules.
- 17.2 A competitor intending to file a protest under Part 5 of the Rules must notify the Race Committee or an Umpire of this promptly after finishing her match.
- 17.3 Alternative penalties for exoneration from protests shall be in accordance with Appendix C of the Rules and SI 18 herein.
- 17.4 Protests under Part 5 of the Rules shall be written and lodged with an SBYRC officer or protest committee representative within one hour after the time the Race Committee boat docks. The closing time for filing protests will be posted in a conspicuous place at PMYC.
- 17.5 A list of protests will be posted within 30 minutes after the protest time limit, and the protest committee will hear protests as soon as practical in approximately the order received.



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- 17.6 It is the responsibility of each competitor involved in a protest to present himself and his witnesses at the hearing room when the protest is to be heard.
- 17.7 Decisions of the protest committee will be announced as soon as possible after the decision is reached and will be posted following completion of the hearing.

**All competitors are reminded that the spirit of this regatta is to provide basic match racing experience for area sailors.**

## **18 ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES**

Since only the starts will be umpired in this event, the following changes to the Penalty System are prescribed:

- (a) Rule C7.2(b) only applies prior to a boat's start.
- (b) Rule C7.2(e) only applies prior to a boat's start.
- (c) Rule C7.3(c) is changed to require a boat to take any alternative penalties for incidents after starting as soon as reasonably possible, unless the boat is on a downwind leg with her spinnaker up at the time of the incident, in which case she may wait until the spinnaker is lowered before taking the penalty.
- (d) There will be no signaling by an umpire under Rule C7.4(b) or C7.4(c).
- (e) Each penalty shall be completed before taking a subsequent penalty.

## **19 SCORING**

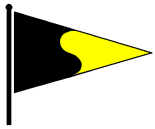
Scoring will be in accordance with Rule C10. Ties will be broken in accordance with Rule C11.

## **20 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

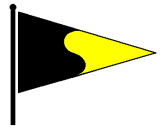
The Race Committee will monitor marine VHF Channel 68.

## **21 PRIZES**


Trophies for the winners in each Class, based on number of entrants, plus participation prizes for other competitors, will be awarded at **South Coast Corinthian Yacht Club** after racing on Sunday. There will be light appetizers and a no-host bar at SCCYC after the day of racing.




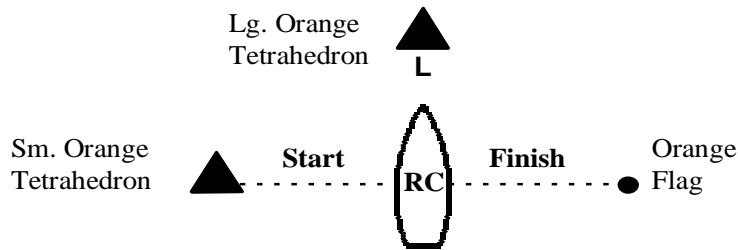
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## MATCHLESS MATCH RACE COURSE CHART

Lg. Orange Tetrahedron   
W

Lg. Yellow Tetrahedron   
V



Code Flag	Course
A	Start - V - Finish
B	Start - W - Finish
D	Start - V - L - V - Finish
E	Start - W - L - W - Finish

ALL MARKS ARE TO BE ROUNDED TO STARBOARD

## ROUND ROBIN PAIRING LIST (BY FLEET SIZE)

	Flight 1	Flight 2	Flight 3	Flight 4	Flight 5	Flight 6
<b>FOUR BOAT FLEET</b>	3 vs 2 4 vs 1	2 vs 1 4 vs 3	1 vs 3 2 vs 4	2 vs 3 1 vs 4	1 vs 2 3 vs 4	3 vs 1 4 vs 2
<b>TWO BOAT FLEET</b>	1 vs 2	2 vs 1	1 vs 2	2 vs 1	1 vs 2	2 vs 1

See Rule C4.1 for flag color and entry side assignments.