

STAR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

2013

August 29-September 8, 2013

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS





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1. Rules:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The Organizing Authority is the San Diego Yacht Club in conjunction with the International Star Class Yacht Racing Association (ISCYRA). The host fleet is San Diego Bay.
- 1.3. Decisions of the International Jury will be final in accordance with RRS 70.5.
- 1.4. RRS Appendix P will apply and is modified to permit the hail to a protested boat to be either sail number or bow number.
- 1.5. The prescriptions of the national authority, US Sailing, do not apply except as provided in their prescription to RRS 88.2. Applicable US Sailing Prescriptions are stated fully in Attachment 1.
- 1.6. Each boat shall carry aboard one securely mounted YachtBot tracker at all times whilst afloat. Each boat is responsible for the pickup, attachment and return of their assigned YachtBot Tracker each day of racing. The YachtBot trackers may be supplied or exchanged by a representative of the Star Sailors League or Race Management team after the initial distribution each day.
- 1.7. YachtBot Trackers shall be installed according to directions received at registration.
- 1.8. YachtBot trackers shall be picked up from a Star Sailor League/Race Management representative at a table in the hoist area between 0900 and 1030 each morning. YachtBot trackers shall be returned in the same manner/location no later than 30 minutes after the Race Committee boat has docked (noted on the Official Notice Board).
- 1.9. The data transmitted by YachtBot is not considered official, or governing with respect to yacht positions on the course or relative to the start or finish line.

2. Notices to Competitors:

2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located on the east side (facing the water) of the Burnham Sailing Center.

3. Crew Weight:

3.1. Crews must comply with Star Class Rule (STCR) 31.1.3 at all times. During the series spot weight controls will be carried out. Ten percent (10%) of the crews will be weighed each day before the protest time limit expires. Crews found to be in violation of the rule shall be subject to disqualification from any race sailed on the day of the violation. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5





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3.2. Crew weighing will take place in the Jessop Room, downstairs, on the south side (facing the main clubhouse) of the Burnham Sailing Center. A notice will be posted at the finishing line and on the official notice board within 10 minutes after the race committee signal boat docks. Crews notified of selection shall present themselves in the Jessop Room for weighing as soon as possible after the notice is posted and no later than the expiration of the protest time limit. Failure to do so shall be deemed to be in violation of STCR 31.1.3.

4. Changes in the Sailing Instructions:

4.1. Changes in the Sailing Instructions will be approved by the Jury and the Organizing Authority and will be posted before 0900 of the day they will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

5. Signals Ashore:

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag pole adjacent to the sail lawn between the main clubhouse and Burnham Sailing Center.
- 5.2. Code Flag AP when displayed ashore means that the start has been postponed. The Warning Signal will be made not less than 90 minutes after the lowering of the signal.

6. Schedule:

- 6.1. Registration and measurement: Wednesday, August 28, 2013, 0900-1600; Thursday August 29, 2013, 0900 1700; Friday August 30, 2013 0900 1600.
- 6.2. A practice race is scheduled for Saturday, August 31, 2013, with the warning signal at 1230.
- 6.3. A total of six races are scheduled, with one race each day, September 1 6, 2013, in the Pacific Ocean southeast of Point Loma, San Diego. Reserve days are Saturday and Sunday, September 7-8, 2013, as per STCR 27.1
- 6.4. The Race Committee may change the schedule to accommodate the scheduled number of races. No more than two (2) races per day may be sailed as per STCR 34.3.7.
- 6.5. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1230.





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7. Class Flag:

7.1. The Class Flag shall be the 2013 Qualcomm Star Worlds logo on a white flag.

8. Racing Area:

8.1. The start area will be located approximately 3.5 nm from the end of Zuniga Jetty ("Z") on a bearing of 130° mag.

9. Course:

- 9.1. Course "0", Course "1", Course "3", or Course "4", STCR 34.3, Format A, STCR 34.3.7 may be used. The Race Committee signal boat will display the course number by placard to indicate the course.
- 9.2. The approximate compass bearing from Mark 3 (or Marks 3S and 3P) to Mark 1 will be displayed by numeral pennants on the Race Committee signal boats prior to or with the Warning Signal.
- 9.3. The courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.
- 9.4. Lengths of legs of the course will not be changed after the Preparatory Signal. This changes RRS 33b.

10. Marks:

- 10.1. Mark 1 and gate marks 3p/3s are yellow cones. Mark Os (set as weather mark offset) will be an orange ball. Mark 2 (set as wing mark for Course "0" & "1") will be yellow cone.
- 10.2. A new mark, when used in accordance with Sailing Instruction 13, will be a large orange tetrahedron. If a new mark is subsequently changed, it will be replaced with the original mark.
- 10.3. At any mark beginning a downwind leg on courses "0", and "1", the Race Committee may set an off-set mark. In that case, boats shall pass Mark 1 to port, and then round the off-set mark to port.





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11. Check In:

11.1. Prior to the first Warning Signal of each race, boats shall sail past the stern of a Race Committee signal boat displaying Code Flag L, to be recognized and recorded. When a boat has been recognized, the RC will hail the boats bow number. RRS A4.1 is changed to provide that boats not complying with this instruction will receive the same score as a boat not starting without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

12. The Start:

- 12.1. The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on Marks A and B and between staffs displaying orange flags on Marks B and C. Mark B may not be in a straight line between Marks A and C. For the purpose of RRS 30.1 I Flag Rule, it is modified so that boats subject to 30.1 shall thereafter sail from the course side, across an extension of either Mark A or Mark C, or around Mark B, leaving it to port as if it were the port end of the start line, and to the pre-course side before starting.
- 12.2. Fifteen (15) minutes before the first start of a race, the RC signal boats will display the ISCYRA flag (blue with white logo/red star) with one sound. It will be removed one (1) minute before the warning signal.
- 12.3. A boat not starting within 10 minutes after the Starting Signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.
- 12.4. A Race Committee boat displaying Code flag "G" may pass to windward of the fleet in the event of an abandonment, postponement or general recall which means: "The Race Committee has signaled an abandonment, postponement or general recall. Boats are to return to the starting area immediately."
- 12.5. A Race Committee boat displaying Code flag "X" positioned near Mark 1 will attempt to notify premature starters and will display their bow numbers.
- 12.6. A Race Committee boat displaying a black flag positioned near Mark 1 will attempt to notify boats that have been disqualified in accordance with RRS 30.3 and will display their bow numbers. Any boat notified that she has been disqualified shall leave the race course immediately. However, if there are two races scheduled for that day, boats having been disqualified in the first race may stand by in an area outside the race course for the second race.





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13. Change of Position of the Next Mark:

13.1. To change the position of the next mark, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. See Sailing Instruction 10.2.

14. The Finish:

14.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on an R/C boat on the port side and a staff displaying an orange flag on an R/C boat on the starboard side.

15. Time Limit:

- 15.1. The time limit will be as described in STCR 34.3.7 Format A.
- 15.2. RRS 35, A4 and A5 are changed to provide that boats finishing more than 60 minutes after the first boat to finish will be scored "Did Not Finish" without a hearing.

16. Protests:

- 16.1. Protest forms are available from the Protest desk located in the Dockside Room on the east side (facing the water) of the Burnham Sailing Center.
- 16.2. Protests must be delivered within one hour of the Race Committee signal boat docking time. The protest time will be posted on the Notice Board. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the Race Committee and Jury about incidents they observe in the racing area and to request redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- 16.3. Notices will be posted on the official notice board within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Spinnaker Room (in the Main Clubhouse, facing the Sail Lawn) at the time posted.
- 16.4. A list of boats that have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 will be posted as soon as possible after the protest time limit.
- 16.5. Boats recorded on the finishing list as having not started or not finished will be posted on the Notice Board 30 minutes before the end of Protest Time.



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16.6. On the last day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:

16.6.1. Within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;

16.6.2. No later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed

- 16.7. On the last day of racing a request for redress based on a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 16.8. The Penalty for breaking SI and 18, 19.1, 20, 21 and 23 will be at the discretion of the jury. For SI 20 the penalty may be applied to all boats associated with the team or private support boat.

17. Scoring:

- 17.1. A boats series score will be the total of her race scores with her worst score discarded when five (5) or more races are completed; Six (6) races are scheduled, of which six (6) races shall be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.2. There will be a Master's Division for skippers aged 50 years and over by the start of the first race. Entrants in this division will be competing for both the Masters' Championship and the overall Championship.

18. Liability and Safety:

- 18.1. The safety of a boat and her entire management, including insurance, shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner and/or entrant.
- 18.2. Competitors leaving before the end of a race shall attempt to notify any RC vessel, by hail or VHF Ch 69, and if not successful, shall notify the Security Gate of SDYC (619-758-6322) as quickly as possible. Competitors not leaving the dock on a race day shall inform the Race Committee vessel Corinthian (Slip C-71) prior to their departure, or if not successful, the Dockmaster, who can notify the Race Committee via VHF. The Dockmaster is located on the north side (facing the boatyard) of the Burnham Sailing Center on the second level.



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Crow Changes:

19. Crew Changes:

- 19.1. Any request for a change of crew shall be submitted to the International Jury in writing prior to 0900 on the day of the race for which the change is to be made. If the International Jury grants permission, it will do so in writing and post such notice on the Notice Board.
- 19.2. A change of helmsman will not be permitted.

20. Team and Private Support Boats:

- 20.1. Coach boats will be required to register with the Organizing Authority.
- 20.2. Coach boats and private spectator boats are expected to render assistance to a boat in danger when requested by the boat, or at the request of the Race Committee or jury.
- 20.3. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay 100 meters outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the Warning Signal until all boats have finished racing.
- 20.4. A yacht shall receive no outside assistance from support boats or otherwise once she has left the dock for the day until the finish of the last race of the day, except in the case of emergency and/or towing supplied by the organizer and available to all participants.
- 20.5. The Penalty for breaking 20.1, 20.2, 20.3 or 20.4 will be at the discretion of the jury up to and including disqualification of all boats associated with the team or private support boat.

21. Haul out Restrictions:

- 21.1. All boats must be kept at San Diego Yacht Club commencing on August 30 at 1600 until the end of the Championship.
- 21.2. Boats assigned odd numbered bow numbers must remain in the water on odd numbered nights commencing on September 1. Boats assigned even numbered bow numbers must remain in the water on even numbered nights commencing on September 2.



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22. Prescriptions that Apply:

Prescriptions that apply are listed in Attachment 1 below.

23. Communication

A boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions (including cellular telephone) while racing.

24. Prizes

- 24.1. Perpetual Trophies will be awarded according to STCR 24.
- 24.2. Series prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first through fifth.
- 24.3. Other awards for first place skipper and crew in the following categories: Master (aged 50-59), Grand Master (aged 60-69), Exalted Grand Master (aged 70 and older), Junior (under age 25), Women, Classic (<7300).
- 24.4. Prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first through third for each race.

25. Disclaimer of Liability

Participants agree that no person or organization involved in the conduct of this Championship will be liable for any accident, injury, fatality, or damage or loss of boat or personal property arising out of a participant's preparation for or participation in any onthe-water or on-shore activities (whether social, recreational, launching, hauling, boat storage or otherwise) associated with the Championship. Nothing in these Sailing Instructions or oral statements by the Organizing Authority, their officers, directors or agents, shall modify or otherwise impair the effect of the Waiver of Liability Form, the execution of which is a condition of entry.

26. Insurance

Boats sailing in this regatta must be adequately insured against third party liability for racing risks. Proof of same may be requested.

27. Information

Visit the regatta website at www.starworld2013.com.
For more information: Jeff Johnson, SDYC Regatta Manager, (619) 758-6310, sailing@sdyc.org





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ATTACHMENT 1

Applicable US Sailing Prescriptions (Rx) to the Racing Rules of Sailing

Rx to RRS 88.2 After RRS 88.2 add:

US Sailing prescribes that sailing instructions shall not change or delete rule 61.4, Appendix R, or its prescriptions to rules 68 or 76.1.

Rx RRS 61.4 Add RRS 61.4:

61.4 Fees for Protests and Requests for Redress

US Sailing prescribes that no fees shall be charged for protests or requests for redress.

Rx to RRS 67 After RRS 67 add:

US Sailing prescribes that:

- a. A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, but that action alone, admit liability for damages.
- b. A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US SAILING appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.
- c. A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by these rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.

Rx to RRS 76.1 After RRS 76.1 add:

US Sailing prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.

