



## 2010 ROLEX BIG BOAT SERIES & WEST COAST IRC CHAMPIONSHIP

St. Francis Yacht Club

September 16-19, 2010

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)* and these Sailing Instructions, including Attachments A, B, C and D.
- 1.2 For boats racing in:
- (a) For IRC Divisions: the Ocean Safety IRC Rule 2010, Parts A, B and C shall apply. Boats racing in IRC divisions shall hold endorsed certificates. Each boat's corrected time (CT) will be calculated to the nearest second (round 0.5 upward) by multiplying her elapsed time (ET) by her TCC ( $CT=ET*TCC$ ).
  - (b) For One Design classes, their respective class rules will apply except that the J120 class will be sailing under Fleet Five class rules, and the J105 class will be sailing under Fleet One class rules.
- 1.3 For all Fleets, add new rule A4.3 (After-Race Scoring Penalty): A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while *racing* may take a penalty after she has *finished*, and prior to the start of a protest hearing if any involving the incident. Her penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty of 30% calculated as described in rule 44.3(c), but not more than that of a DNF score. However, if she caused injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach, her penalty shall be to retire.

#### 2. REGISTRATION

Eligible boats shall complete registration with the StFYC Race Office prior to 1700 hours on September 15, 2010. Registration after this date will require the written approval by the StFYC Race Manager.

#### 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Official Notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the hallway adjacent to the side (Regatta) entrance of StFYC.
- 3.2 Any changes in the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0930 hours on the day they are to take effect, except any change to Sailing Instruction 5, Number & Schedule of Races, will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before it takes effect.
- 3.3 Questions regarding the Sailing Instructions may be submitted in writing to the Race Committee. Questions and written responses will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 3.4 The Race Committee may make VHF radio broadcasts. For Starting Area "CF" VHF channel 69 will be utilized. For Starting Area "NC", VHF channel 71 will be utilized. In emergencies, competitors may contact the Race Committee on these VHF channels.

#### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the halyards on the flagpole located on the StFYC Race Deck.

## 5. NUMBER & SCHEDULE OF RACES

### 5.1

Race #	Race #1			Race #2			Race #3			Race #4			Race #5			Race #6			Race #7		
Time	Warning 1100 hours			Following Race #1			Warning 1100 hours			Following Race #1			Warning 1100 hours			Following Race #5			Warning 1100 hours		
Date	9/16/2010			9/16/2010			9/17/2010			9/17/2010			9/18/2010			9/18/2010			9/19/2010		
	Start Area	Start Order	Finish Area	Start Area	Start Order	Finish Area	Start Area	Start Order	Finish Area	Start Area	Start Order	Finish Area	Start Area	Start Order	Finish Area	Start Area	Start Order	Finish Area	Start Area	Start Order	Finish Area
IRC Division "A"	CF	1 <sup>st</sup>	B	NC	TBD	RD	CF	1 <sup>st</sup>	B	NC	TBD	RD	NC	1 <sup>st</sup>	C	CF	TBD	RD	CF	1 <sup>st</sup>	RD
IRC Division "B"	CF	2 <sup>nd</sup>	B	NC	TBD	RD	CF	2 <sup>nd</sup>	B	NC	TBD	RD	NC	2 <sup>nd</sup>	C	CF	TBD	RD	CF	2 <sup>nd</sup>	RD
IRC Division "C" (Sport Boat)	CF	3 <sup>rd</sup>	B	NC	TBD	RD	CF	3 <sup>rd</sup>	B	NC	TBD	RD	NC	3 <sup>rd</sup>	C	CF	TBD	RD	CF	3 <sup>rd</sup>	RD
ID35	CF	4 <sup>th</sup>	B	NC	TBD	RD	CF	4 <sup>th</sup>	B	NC	TBD	RD	NC	4 <sup>th</sup>	C	CF	TBD	RD	CF	4 <sup>th</sup>	RD
IRC Division "D"	CF	5 <sup>th</sup>	B	NC	TBD	RD	CF	5 <sup>th</sup>	B	NC	TBD	RD	NC	5 <sup>th</sup>	C	CF	TBD	RD	CF	5 <sup>th</sup>	RD
Melges 32	NC	1 <sup>st</sup>	C	CF	TBD	RD	NC	1 <sup>st</sup>	C	CF	TBD	RD	CF	1 <sup>st</sup>	B	NC	TBD	RD	NC	1 <sup>st</sup>	RD
J120	NC	2 <sup>nd</sup>	C	CF	TBD	RD	NC	2 <sup>nd</sup>	C	CF	TBD	RD	CF	2 <sup>nd</sup>	B	NC	TBD	RD	NC	2 <sup>nd</sup>	RD
Express 37	NC	3 <sup>rd</sup>	C	CF	TBD	RD	NC	3 <sup>rd</sup>	C	CF	TBD	RD	CF	3 <sup>rd</sup>	B	NC	TBD	RD	NC	3 <sup>rd</sup>	RD
J105	NC	4 <sup>th</sup>	C	CF	TBD	RD	NC	4 <sup>th</sup>	C	CF	TBD	RD	CF	4 <sup>th</sup>	B	NC	TBD	RD	NC	4 <sup>th</sup>	RD

5.2 On the last day of the regatta no Warning Signal shall be made after 1430.

### 6. CLASS FLAGS

For One Design classes the class flag will be the class insignia on a white flag.  
For IRC Divisions, the class flags will be the black Division letter on a white flag.

### 7. RACING AREA

The Racing Area will be the San Francisco Bay and approaches.

### 8. THE COURSES

8.1 The courses are described on Attachment A – Course Sheet.

8.2 A placard designating the course will be displayed from the Signal Boat prior to each classes' Warning Signal.

### 9. MARKS

The marks are described on Attachment B – Description of Marks.

## 10. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1 Boats shall not pass through the areas bound by the following objects and the closest point ashore:
- (a) The "H" Beam (located approximately 200 yards west of StFYC).
  - (b) Anita Rock and its Buoy "AR".
  - (c) The South Tower of the Golden Gate Bridge.
  - (d) The Bell Buoy off the west end of Alcatraz Island.
  - (e) The buoy south of Point Blunt on Angel Island.
  - (f) All breakwaters in the vicinity of Fisherman's Wharf and Aquatic Park.
  - (g) Round orange buoy set off of Piers 39 and 45 (if set).
  - (h) Round orange buoy set north of the StFYC Harbor entrance (if set).
- 10.2 The above-mentioned restricted areas are defined as obstructions.
- 10.3 A boat that breaks this rule may not correct her error per RRS 28.1 and shall retire. This changes RRS 28.1.

## 11. THE START

- 11.1 Starting areas:
- (a) City Front Starting Area "CF" will be northwest of Treasure Island and approximately one NM from Mark 18.
  - (b) North Course Racing Circle Starting Area "NC" will be in the vicinity of the west end of the Berkeley Pier.
- 11.2 Races will be started using RRS 26. For the first race each day, the starting order will be the order stated in Sailing Instruction 5, Number & Schedule of Races. For all following races each day, the race committee will determine the starting order and signal the starts per RRS 26.
- 11.3 The Starting Line will be between staffs displaying orange and yellow striped flags on the Starting Line Boats.
- 11.4 The Race Committee may hail the sail number(s) of the boat(s) identified on the course side of the starting line by loud hailer and/or VHF radio. The failure of a hail, the failure of a boat hearing the hail or the order of the hails shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 11.5 When a General Recall has been signaled, the start(s) for any succeeding class(es) will be postponed accordingly.
- 11.6 A boat that fails to start within 5 minutes of her starting signal shall be scored "DNS." This changes rule A4.1.

## 12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the position of the next mark, the race committee will lay a new mark identified by a black band and remove the original mark as soon as practical. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated without further signaling to maintain the course configuration. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

## 13. THE FINISH

Finish Lines:

- (a) "RD" – between mark "A" (yellow can outer StFYC Buoy) and a yellow placard on the StFYC Race Deck.
- (b) "B" – between a staff displaying an orange and yellow striped flag on a Race Committee boat and an yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set as the port end finishing mark. The finish line will be located approximately .3 NM at 330 degrees mag. from the northwest tip of Treasure Island.
- (c) "C" – between a staff displaying an orange and yellow striped flag on a Race Committee boat and a yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set as a port end finishing mark located approximately 200 yards upwind of T1 or W.

## 14. ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

- 14.1 For the J120 and J105 classes, RRS 44.1 is modified by adding the following: Except for a starting mark, the turns penalty for a Part 2 rule broken inside the zone shall be a Two-Turns Penalty as

prescribed in this rule without modification. The turns penalty for a Part 2 rule broken outside the zone shall be a one turn, including one tack and one gybe. This changes RRS 44.1.

**14.2** For other One Design classes, RRS 44.1 applies without modification.

**14.3** For IRC Divisions, RRS 44.3 (scoring penalty) applies.

**14.4** A boat that takes a Scoring Penalty in accordance with RRS 44.3 shall complete a penalty declaration form. Declaration forms will be available at the Jury Desk, located next to the Official Notice Board. Completed forms must be lodged with the Jury Desk within the protest time limit (SI 17.1), as posted on the Official Notice Board.

## **15. TIME LIMIT FOR EACH RACE**

**15.1** The Time Limit for each race will be 4½ hours.

**15.2** For One Design classes, a boat failing to finish within 45 minutes after the first boat in her class will be scored "DNF" by the Race Committee. This changes RRS 35 and A4.1.

**15.3** For the IRC Divisions, a boat failing to finish within 90 minutes after the first boat in her division will be scored "DNF" by the Race Committee. This changes RRS 35 and A4.1.

## **16. PROTEST ARBITRATION**

The provisions of Attachment C – Protest Arbitration apply.

## **17. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

**17.1** For all divisions and classes, protests and requests for redress shall be lodged with the Jury Representative at the Jury Desk within 60 minutes after the arrival of the last Race Committee Signal Boat ashore. This time limit will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

**17.2** The time and place of all hearing(s), the boat(s) protesting, boat(s) being protested and boat(s) requesting redress will be posted on the Official Notice Board within 90 minutes after the arrival of the last Race Committee Signal Boat ashore. This shall serve as notification as per RRS 63.2.

**17.3** In an effort to make the arbitration and protest hearing process more user-friendly, the Jury will use a pager system to informally alert parties of impending hearings. Upon filing a protest or learning they are a party to a protest, parties should obtain a pager (coaster) from the Jury Representative at the Jury Desk. The Jury will attempt to page the parties approximately five minutes before the hearing is to begin. Pagers will be returned to the Jury Representative at the Jury Desk, or if the Jury Desk is closed, to the Jury at the hearing, and parties failing to return pagers will be charged for the cost of the pager. Failure of the Jury to make a page or failure of a party to hear a page shall not be grounds for redress. Except for RRS 69, at the discretion of the Jury, hearings will take place as scheduled, with or without the presence of all parties.

**17.4** A request to reopen a hearing on the last day of racing must be delivered to the front desk of the StFYC within 60 minutes of the parties to the protest receiving the Jury's decision (oral or written). This changes RRS 66.

**17.5** Breaches of Sailing Instruction 20, 21, 22 and 26 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes Racing Rule 60.1(a). At the discretion of the Jury, penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification.

**17.6** Decisions of the Jury are final as provided in RRS 70.5.

## **18. SCORING**

**18.1** The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.

**18.2** One race must be completed to constitute a series. Each boat's score will be the sum of her scores for all races. This changes RRS A2.

**18.3** The 2010 West Coast IRC Champion shall be determined as follows:

The combined average corrected seconds per mile from all IRC classes for all races completed will be calculated and the boat with the lowest combined average corrected seconds per mile is the Champion. Only the winner of each IRC class will be eligible for the overall IRC National Championship trophy.

**18.4** Scoring Inquiry Forms must be submitted in writing on forms available at the Jury Desk. Race Committee responses to these written inquiries will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

## **19. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 19.1** Competitors shall wear adequate personal buoyancy while racing, except for brief periods while changing or adjusting clothing. The “Y” flag will not be displayed. This changes RRS 27.1 and 40.
- 19.2** The provisions of Attachment D – Commercial Traffic, Safety apply.

## **20. BOW STICKERS AND BACKSTAY FLAGS**

- 20.1** All boats are required to apply Rolex bow stickers, supplied at Registration, to both sides of the hull as indicated by the sticker placement and application instruction sheet, which was attached to the supplied bow stickers.
- 20.2** Rolex backstay flags supplied at registration are required to be flown while racing. The backstay flag should be flown from the backstay approximately three feet above the deck when possible.

## **21. SUPPORT BOATS**

- 21.1** Due to limited dock space, support boats will not have access to the StFYC Guest Docks unless assigned a specific dock space by the StFYC Dock Master.
- 21.2** All support boats must stay clear and outside of Race Committee boats or boats flying a Jury flag or Press flag at all rounding mark, start and finish lines.
- 21.3** If a support boat fails to comply with either of these requirements, the assisted boat may be subject to protest and awarded a penalty at the discretion of the jury for the first race of each day of non-compliance.

## **22. TRACKING**

- 22.1** GPS tracking of all boats will be used for public media purposes and to provide displays onshore. Information from the tracking system shall not be used as evidence, or be used as a basis for a protest or request for redress by either the Race Committee or a boat, although the International Jury may use available information from the system at their discretion. This changes RRS 60.1 and 60.2.
- 22.2** The following procedure shall be followed:
  - a) Each boat shall personally collect their tracking device at registration.
  - b) When returning ashore after the last race on Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, each boat shall personally return the tracking device to a desk outside the Regatta Entrance. Boats must return tracking devices prior to the protest time limit.
  - c) Any boat failing to comply with this procedure without any reason beyond her control may get a penalty of 5 points for each race of the day without a protest hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

## **23. TROPHIES**

Trophies will be awarded to the top three place finishers in each class. When a class exceeds twenty-five entrants trophies will be awarded to the top five place finishers. In addition the following perpetual trophies will be awarded: St. Francis Perpetual, City of San Francisco Perpetual, Atlantic Perpetual, Keefe-Kilbourne Memorial, Richard Rheem Perpetual and Commodore's Cup.

## **24. BERTHING AND TRAILER STORAGE**

- 24.1** Boats may be moored, free of charge, at the StFYC docks from Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup> through Monday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. When not racing, all boats shall remain in their assigned berth in the San Francisco Marina.
- 24.2** Storage trailers for boats shall be stored at the direction of the Dockmaster and registered with a Race Office representative. All unregistered storage trailers may be ticketed and towed.

## **25. HAUL OUT**

All boats shall remain in the water from the Warning Signal of their first race through completion of their final race. Boats shall not be hauled without the approval from the StFYC Race Manager.

## **26. TRASH DISPOSAL**

Boats shall not dispose of trash in the water.

## ATTACHMENT A - COURSE SHEET

### City Front Course Area

Course Number	Starting Area	Rounding marks and the order in which they are to be rounded										Finish Area	Total Distance
1	CF	1p	1o									B	7.98
2	CF	1p	1o	18p	6p							B	11.03
3	CF	16s	17s	18s	6s							B	12.90
4	CF	1p	1o	6p	1p	1o						B	13.06
5	CF	16s	18s	16s								B	14.80
6	CF	16p	18p	16p								B	14.80
7	CF	1p	1o	2gate	1p	1o						B	16.14
8	CF	1p	1o	2gate	1p	1o	2 gate	1p	1o			B	24.48
9	CF	1p	1o	6p	1p	1o						RD	7.06
10	CF	1p	1o	18p	1p	1o						RD	10.00
11	CF	1p	1o	2gate	1p	1o						RD	12.66
12	CF	1p	1o	2gate	1p	1o	6p	1p	1o			RD	15.22
13	CF	1p	1o	18p	1p	1o	18p	1p	1o			RD	15.50
14	CF	1s	18s	1s	18s	1p	1o					RD	15.50
15	CF	16s	3p	Xp	7p	1p	1o					RD	13.36
16	CF	16s	17p	3p	Xp	7p	1p	1o				RD	15.44
17	CF	16s	17s	18p	6s	8s	4s	1p	1o			RD	21.01
18	CF	16p	18p	8p	3p	Xp	7p	1p	1o			RD	21.03
19	CF	16s	17s	18p	10p	3p	Xp	8s	4s	1p	1o	RD	30.23
20	CF	1s	2gate	1p	1o							RD	12.66
21	CF	19p	18p	1p	1o							RD	16.56
22	CF	19p	18p	19p								RD	18.17
23	CF	19p	10p	3p	10p	19p						RD	33.44
24	CF	19p	10p	3p	10p	19p	18p	1p	1o			RD	38.32

### North Course Area

Course Number	Starting Area	Rounding marks and the order in which they are to be rounded										Finish Area	Total Distance
25	NC	T1p	T1o	T2gate								C	6.40
26	NC	T1p	T1o	T3p	T4p							C	7.23
27	NC	T1p	T1o	T2gate	T1p	T1o	T2gate					C	10.40
28	NC	T1p	T1o	T3p	T4p	T1p	T1o	T2gate				C	11.23
29	NC	T1p	T1o	T2gate	T1p	T1o	T3p	T4p				C	11.23
30	NC	T1p	T1o	T2gate	T1p	T1o	T2gate	T1p	T1o	T2gate		C	14.40
31	NC	1p	1o									RD	5.70
32	NC	9p	18p	1p	1o							RD	9.05
33	NC	9p	7p	8p	1p	1o						RD	11.33
34	NC	9p	5gate	1p	1o							RD	12.32
35	NC	9p	5gate	9p	5gate	1p	1o					RD	18.92
36	NC	19p	18p	1p	1o							RD	16.56
37	NC	19p	18p	19p								RD	18.17
38	NC	19p	10p	3p	10p	19p						RD	33.44
39	NC	19p	10p	3p	10p	19p	18p	1p	1o			RD	38.32
40	NC	3p	Xp	7p	1p	1o						RD	13.20
41	NC	9p	8s	4s	1p	1o						RD	14.24
42	NC	16s	17s	18p	6s	7p	1p	1o				RD	17.40
43	NC	16s	17p	3p	Xp	7p	1p	1o				RD	16.62
44	NC	3p	10p	1p	1o							RD	14.00
45	NC	16P	18p	8p	9p	7p	1p	1o				RD	18.81
46	NC	9p	7p	6s	8s	4s	1p	1o				RD	19.11
47	NC	16s	17p	3p	Xp	8s	4s	1p	1o			RD	21.41
48	NC	16s	17s	18p	6s	8s	4s	1p	1o			RD	22.19
49	NC	16p	18p	8p	3p	Xp	7p	1p	1o			RD	22.21
50	NC	16s	17s	18p	10p	3p	Xp	8s	4s	1p	1o	RD	31.41

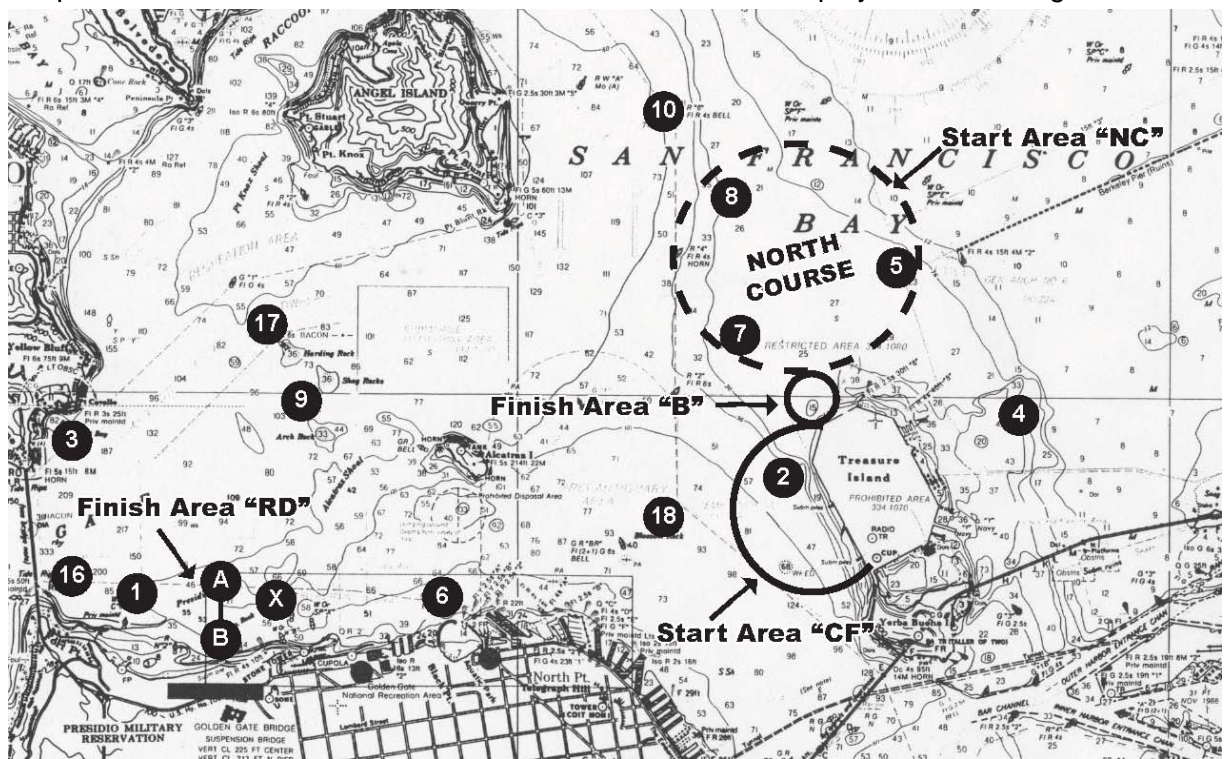
### Alternate Course Area

Course Number		Rounding Order										Finish Area	Total Distance
51	CF/NC	Wp	Lp	Wp	Lp							C	TBD
52	CF/NC	Wp	Lp									C	TBD
53	CF/NC	Wp	Lgate	Wp	Lp							C	TBD
54	CF/NC	Wp	Lgate									C	TBD

For Courses 51 - 54, The Windward and Leeward Marks will be Inflatable Marks. The approximate compass course and distance to the Windward Mark will be displayed from the signal boat.

## ATTACHMENT B - DESCRIPTION OF MARKS

- X Yellow sphere set North of the Golden Gate Yacht Club.
- A Outer yellow can mark off StFYC.
- B Inner yellow can mark off StFYC.
- 1 Yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set 300 yards at 350 degrees MAG. from FI R 2.5s "2" at Presidio Shoal.
- 10 Red inflatable cone set as a windward offset mark to be rounded in the same direction as the windward mark.
- 2 Yellow inflatable tetrahedrons or cones set as a leeward gate set .7NM at 40 degrees MAG from Green/Red "BR" FI Bell at Blossom Rock.
- 3 Yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set .5 NM at 55 degrees MAG from North tower of Golden Gate Bridge.
- 4 Yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set 2 NM at 72 degrees from Red "2" FI R 6 sec., .9 NM Northwest of Treasure Island.
- 5 Yellow inflatable tetrahedrons or cones set as a leeward gate placed .65NM at 228 degrees MAG. from the end of the Berkeley Pier.
- 6 Yellow can mark "M" 200 yards North of Fort Mason piers.
- 7 Red "2" FI R 6 sec., .9 NM Northwest of Treasure Island.
- 8 Red "4" FI R 4 sec. Horn, 1.0 NM East of Point Blunt.
- 9 Yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set .5 NM at 130 degrees MAG. from Green/Red "HR" 1 Qk FI R at Harding Rock.
- 10 Red "6" FI R 4 sec. Bell, 1.1 NM Northeast of Point Blunt.
- 16 Yellow can mark "TB" (Tom Blackaller) .2 NM East of Fort Point.
- 17 Green/Red "HR" 1 Qk FI R at Harding Rock.
- 18 Green/Red "BR" FI Bell at Blossom Rock.
- 19 Yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set as a windward mark placed 200 yards at 180 degrees Mag. from "RG" FL(2+1) R6s Bell at Point Bonita.
- T1 Yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set as a windward mark in the North Course Racing Circle.
- T10 Red inflatable cone set as a windward offset mark to be rounded in the same direction as the windward mark.
- T2 Yellow inflatable tetrahedrons or cones set as a leeward gate in the North Course Racing Circle.
- T3 Yellow inflatable tetrahedron or cone set as a gybe mark in the North Course Racing Circle.
- T4 Red Inflatable cone set as a leeward mark in the North Course Racing Circle.
- For Courses 51 - 54, The Windward and Leeward Marks will be Inflatable Marks. The approximate compass course and distance to the Windward Mark will be displayed from the signal boat.



## ATTACHMENT C - PROTEST ARBITRATION

- C1** An arbitration meeting may be held prior to a protest hearing for each incident resulting in a protest involving a rule of Part 2 or rule 31, unless the arbitrator deems the incident inappropriate for arbitration. One representative of each *party*, who was on board at the time of the incident, will meet with the arbitrator. If all the *parties* to a protest are not represented, the arbitration meeting shall not be held. No witnesses will be permitted.
- C2** After hearing the testimony, the arbitrator may offer one of the following opinions:
- (a) The Jury would find the protest is invalid. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
  - (b) The Jury would find that no boat broke a *rule*. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
  - (c) The Jury would find that one or more boats represented in the arbitration meeting broke a rule of Part 2 or rule 31. The arbitrator will offer each (both) boat(s) the option to accept an After-Race Scoring Penalty, or to retire. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
  - (d) A protest hearing is appropriate.
- C3** The Jury will schedule a protest hearing for any protests that are not withdrawn. Any boat that accepted an After-Race Scoring Penalty (ARSP) as described in the Sailing Instructions will not be penalized further as a result of the protest hearing, unless the Jury concludes that the boat caused injury or serious damage, gained a significant advantage in the race or series, or broke a *rule* other than a rule of Part 2 or rule 31. If a party fails to attend the arbitration hearing the other party may accept an 'After Race Scoring Penalty' at any time prior to the announcement of the protest hearing decision." This changes SI 1.3.
- C4** If a protest is withdrawn, no protest hearing will be held, and the protest cannot be the subject of a request for redress or appeal. This changes RRS 63.1.



## **ATTACHMENT D - COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC, SAFETY**

- D1** Boats shall not impede the passage of commercial vessels and shall comply with the U.S. Inland Navigation Rules Act of 1980.
- D2** If a commercial vessel has sounded five blasts, and/or the vessel or the Coast Guard identifies an offending boat, the Race Committee shall protest the boat, in which case the Jury shall assume that the identified boat has impeded passage or violated the U.S. Inland Navigation Rules, and the identified boat shall have the burden of proving otherwise. In the case of a complaint by a Vessel Traffic or the Coast Guard, the protest time limit shall be extended up to two days after the conclusion of the regatta. This changes RRS 60.2(a) and 61.3.
- D3** A Race Committee boat may signal a boat to alter course to avoid impeding or the possibility of impeding the passage of commercial vessels by making a sound signal (horn or whistle) and pointing Code Flag V at the boat. The signaled boat shall promptly comply with the signal unless compliance would create an unsafe condition. If a boat fails to comply with such a signal, the Race Committee shall protest the boat, in which case the Jury shall assume that the course alteration would not have created an unsafe condition, and the protested boat shall have the burden of proving otherwise.
- D4** A boat may be penalized independently under D1, D2 and/or D3. A violation of any part this attachment shall not be exonerated by a Scoring Penalty. The StFYC shall cooperate with and provide relevant information to the Coast Guard or other governmental authority regarding investigations of boats impeding ship traffic or violating U.S. Inland Navigation Rules.