



**THE 38th MANUEL FAGUNDES
SEAWEED SOUP REGATTA
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
GOLDEN GATE YACHT CLUB
#1 YACHT ROAD, SAN FRANCISCO, CA
94123**

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), 2005-2008, (RRS-2009-2012, when in effect) the prescriptions of U.S. Sailing Association; the rules of the participating Classes, the Declaration of Trust and Conditions Governing the Seaweed Soup Perpetual Trophy, and by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. Boats shall not impede the passage of ship traffic that can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway, (see U.S. Department of Commerce chart 18649 for designated narrow channels and fairways of SF Bay) or fishing or other vessels with restricted ability to maneuver. Boats identified by sail number who endanger their own safety or that of the commercial or government vessel will be subject to protest by the Race Committee or contestant and face possible disqualification. A protest for allegations of the above will be heard by a protest committee whether or not the requirements of or RRS 61.1 (a) and (b) have been fulfilled or exclusions referenced in RRS 60.2(a) have been met. A disqualification for a safety violation of this section shall be considered as a disqualification not excludable (DNE).
- 1.3. Boats must comply with the United States Coast Guard's requirements for recreational vessels, RRS 1.2 and minimum additional equipment prescribed by her Chartered Association.
- 1.4. RRS 40.1 shall be changed as follows: All competitors are required to wear life jackets or other adequate personal buoyancy while racing. The "Y" flag will not be displayed.

2. ENTRY

- 2.1. Eligible sailboats may enter the series by submitting an entry form and fee to the Golden Gate Yacht Club Race Committee.
- 2.2. Boats competing shall have a current Northern California PHRF certificate or shall be a one-design class.
- 2.3. One-design classes with five or more entrants may be scored as a separate division if requested.

3. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted at the Golden Gate Yacht Club's official notice board located in the window on the west side of the interior entrance into the club.
- 3.2. Any changes to the sailing instructions will be approved by the Race Committee and posted on the official notice board no later than 0930 hours on the day they are to take effect.
- 3.3. The Race Committee may broadcast on VHF channel 72 and/or use a loud hailer.
- 3.4. The Race Committee may announce which Division is starting, course selection, count downs to starting sequence signals, a Division's position relative to the starting line and the sail numbers of boats that are On Course Side (OCS) or have violated RRS 30. The failure of the Race Committee to hail a boat, the order of hails, or the boat's inability to hear the hail shall not be grounds for redress.
- 3.5. The Race Committee may hail a boat that violates the start/finish line restrictions.
- 3.6. The Race Committee's communications to competitors while racing shall not be considered outside help. This changes RRS 41.
- 3.7. Competitors should monitor VHF channel 72; and in emergencies, may contact the Race Committee on this channel.

- 3.8. Signals will be displayed from the halyards on the flagpole located on the race deck of the Golden Gate Yacht Club.
- 3.9. Competitors retiring before finishing from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible in person, or by VHF channel 72, or by phone to GGYC at 415.346.BOAT.

4. RACE DATES

Race #1	Saturday, November 1, 2008
Race #2	Saturday, December 6, 2008
Race #3	Saturday, January 3, 2009
Race #4	Saturday, February 7, 2009
Race #5	Saturday, March 7, 2009

5. COURSES

- 5.1. The courses and marks are described on the attached **COURSE SHEET**.
- 5.2. The starting line marks are described in Section 7.
- 5.3. The finish line marks are described in Section 10.
- 5.4. A code flag designating the course to be sailed will be displayed from the Race Deck with the Division's Warning Signal.

6. STARTING ORDER

- 6.1. The starting order is described on the attached **STARTING ORDER SHEET**.
- 6.2. The first Warning Signal of each day is scheduled for 1130 hours.

7. THE START

- 7.1. Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26 with divisions starting at 5 minute intervals in the order described on the attached **STARTING ORDER SHEET**.
- 7.2. No warning signals will be made after 1500 hours.
- 7.3. The starting line shall be between buoy "X" and the orange placard on the Golden Gate Yacht Club's race deck.
- 7.4. A boat whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and clear of all boats whose warning signal has been made.

8. RECALLS

- 8.1. When an Individual Recall has been signaled the Race Committee may hail the sail number(s) of the boat(s) identified on the course side of the starting line after the start signal by loud hailer and or VHF radio. The failure of a hail, the failure of a boat hearing a hail or the order of the hails shall not be grounds for redress.
- 8.2. When a general recall has been signaled, the start(s) for any succeeding division(s) will be postponed accordingly.

9. RESTRICTED AREA/ALTERNATE PENALTY

- 9.1. A boat that violates a restricted area shall perform a 720-degree penalty in accordance with RRS 44.2.
- 9.2 RRS 44.2 is modified to state that anyone doing the penalty shall not advance or improve their position and if so they shall retire.

10. THE FINISH

- 10.1. The Finish Line shall be between Buoy "X" and the orange placard on the Golden Gate Yacht Club race deck.
- 10.2. The finish line is restricted. Only boats finishing may cross the Finish Line.

11. TIME LIMIT

- 11.1. Boats not finishing before 1700 Pacific Standard Time on the day of the race will be scored "DNF."

12. PROTESTS

- 12.1. Protests shall be filed in accordance with RRS 61.2 and 61.3.

- 12.2. A Race Committee member intending to protest a boat for an incident during the race will attempt to hail "protest" to that boat. Redress will not be given if such hail is not made or is delayed. This changes RRS 61.1(b) and 62.1(a).
- 12.3. Protests will be heard at Golden Gate Yacht Club at 18:30 hours on the second Thursday following the race. GGYC Protest Committee will send copies of the protest to the protested boat along with notice of the time and place of the hearing.

13. SCORING

- 13.1. The low point scoring system, RRS Appendix A, will apply with the following changes:
- 13.2. Boats scored "DNS," "OCS," "DNF," or "RAF" shall be scored the number of starters in the race plus 1 point.
- 13.3. Boats scored "DSQ" shall be scored the number of starters in the race plus 2 points.
- 13.4. However, a "DSQ" for a safety violation as outlined in Section 1, Rules, shall be considered as a disqualification not excludable (DNE.)
- 13.5. Boats scored "DNC" shall be scored the number of starters in the race plus 3 points.
- 13.6. This regatta consists of 5 races. At least one boat in a division must finish before sunset for a race to be scored. Two races must be completed to constitute a series.
- 13.7. If 5 races are run, each boat has one throw-out.
- 13.8. If 4 or fewer races are run, all races will count in each boat's score.

14. HOSPITALITY

- 14.1. The Golden Gate Yacht Club will be open from 0900 hours. Sailors are invited to the clubhouse for complimentary morning coffee and pastries.
- 14.2. Following each race, no host bar and Complimentary Sailor's Buffet will be served in the clubhouse.
- 14.3. Guest docks are available on a first-come, first-served basis. The T-dock just west of the club will be available for raft-ups.

15. AWARDS

- 15.1. The Series Winner will be awarded the Seaweed Soup Trophy to be displayed at their Yacht Club for the year as well as first, second and third place trophies to each division or scored one-design class following the final race of the regatta on March 7, 2009.

COURSE SHEET

Course #										Nautical Miles
1	X	16	6	X						3.4
2	X	16	18	X						6.2
3	X	16	18	16	6	X				9.6
4	X	16	6	16	6	X				6.8
5	X	16	6	16	A	16	6	X		9.1
6	X	16	A	16	6	X				5.4
7	X	18	6	18	X					6.5
8	X	18	X							3.9
9	X	16	2	16	2	16	2	X		12.5
10	X	16	2	16	2	X				8.4
11	X	1	2	X						3.7
12	X	1	2	1	2	X				7.4
13	X	2	1	2	1	X				7.4
14	X	1	17	18	1	2	X			11.4
15	X	18-P	17-P	16-P	X					7.4
16	X	16-S	17-S	16-S	17-S	6-S	X			9.4
17	X	16-S	17-S	6-S	X					5.5
18	X	16-S	17-S	18-S	16-S	6-S	X			10.8
19	X	16-S	17-S	7-S	6-S	18-S	X			11.2
20	X	16-S	17-S	A-S	17-S	A-S	16-S	6-S	X	10.6
21	X	6-P	17-S	6-S	17-S	6-S	X			8.0
22	X	6-P	17-S	6-S	X					4.5

NOTES:

FOR COURSES # 1- 13, ALL MARKS WILL BE LEFT TO STARBOARD EXCEPT WHEN A RED PENNANT IS DISPLAYED AT THE WARNING SIGNAL IN WHICH CASE ALL MARKS WILL BE LEFT TO PORT.

MARKS:

S = STARBOARD
P = PORT
A - YELLOW SPHERE "A" OUTER BUOY St. FRANCIS YACHT CLUB
X - YELLOW AND BLUE SPHERE "X" GOLDEN GATE YACHT CLUB
1 - INFLATABLE MARK SET NORTH OF CRISSY FIELD
2 - INFLATABLE MARK SET NORTHWEST OF THE HYDE STREET PIER
4 - R "2" FL R 4 SEC PT. KNOX
6 - YELLOW SPHERE "M" 200 YDS NORTH OF FT. MASON DOCKS
7 - R "2" FL R 6 SEC 1 NM NORTHWEST OF TREASURE ISLAND
16 - YELLOW SPHERE "C" .2 NM EAST OF FORT POINT (BLACKALLER BUOY)
17 - RB "HR" 1QK FL R HARDING ROCK
18 - GR "BR" FL (2+1) G 6S BELL BLOSSOM ROCK

RESTRICTED AREAS:

- BETWEEN THE VERTICAL "H" BEAM 20 YARDS WEST OF THE St. FRANCIS YACHT CLUB AND THE SHORE TO ITS SOUTH
- BETWEEN ANITA ROCK AND ITS LIMITING BUOY
- BETWEEN ANITA ROCK AND THE SHORE TO ITS SOUTH
- ACROSS THE START/FINISH LINE EXCEPT WHEN PREPARING TO START, STARTING OR FINISHING.

STARTING ORDER SHEET

Scheduled Start	Division	Division Flag
1135 HRS	PHRF 1 (PHRF 69 & BELOW)	A
1140 HRS	PHRF 2 (PHRF 70 - 109)	B
1145 HRS	PHRF 3 (PHRF 110 -126)	C
1150 HRS	PHRF 4 (PHRF 127 & ABOVE)	D
1155 HRS	CATALINA 34 CLASS	E
1200 HRS	KNARR CLASS	F
1205 HRS	FOLKBOAT CLASS	G