

2023-2024 PCISA SOCIAL SERIES

For the

ROBERT ANDERSON TROPHY

- Newport Harbor Yacht Club; Saturday, September 16, 2023
- Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club; Saturday, October 28, 2023
- Mission Bay Yacht Club; Sunday, December 10, 2023
- Alamitos Bay Yacht Club; Saturday and Sunday, January 27-28, 2024
- Southwestern Yacht Club; Saturday and Sunday, March 17-18, 2024

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS:

Official notices including changes to sailing instructions and Notice of Race will be posted on the official notice board located near or adjacent to the Registration Desk in each venue. In accordance with ISSA PR 7.2 (RRS 90.3c) changes to the sailing instructions may also be made on the water by notifying each competitor verbally by hail.

2. COURSES AND MARKS:

- 2.1. Courses will be in accordance with ISSA PR 7.7. Appendix "A" describes the courses, including the approximate angle between the legs, the order in which marks are to be rounded or passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. In most cases, there will be windward-leeward or triangle courses with an offset at the windward mark and a gate at the leeward mark.
- 2.2. The race committee may designate course selection orally.
- 2.3. All marks will be colored inflatables.
- 2.4. In accordance with ISSA PR 7.7(c) after the starting signal, the race committee may change the position of any mark to maintain course configuration, provided that no boat is on that leg of the course. No signals are required (changes RRS 33).

3. START, FINISH, AND RECALLS:

- 3.1. Races will start in accordance with ISSA PR 7.8(a).
- 3.2. Individual recalls will be made in accordance with RRS Appendix S6.
- 3.3. General recalls will be signaled by a series of short whistles. After a general recall, the round the ends provision of RRS 30.1 shall apply except Flag I need not be displayed in accordance with ISSA PR 7.8(b) (Changes RRS 30.1).
- 3.4. The start line will be between a flag on the committee signal boat and a mark in the water or a flag in another boat.
- 3.5. The finish line will be between a flag on the committee boat and a mark in the water.
- 3.6. The PRO reserves the right to adjust the flag and mark colors/shapes/etc. based on the individual venue and the equipment provided by the host club.

4. PROTESTS:

- 4.1. Protests procedure will be executed in a manner often referred to as "3-minute justice." The protesting boat will notify the protested boat and the Committee Boat that they intend to file a protest immediately following the race in which the infraction occurred. In cases where there is a designated Judge, the protesting boat and the protested boat will both approach the Judge boat after the race. The protesting boat will have one minute to present their case. The protested boat will have one minute to present their defense and any witnesses. The judge will have one minute to ask questions and render his or her decision. If the judge feels more time is necessary for fair judgment, then he/she shall allow for such.

- 4.2. Per Procedural Rule 8(b), competitors shall not communicate with a coach before reporting to the race committee their intent to protest.
- 4.3. In cases where there is no designated Judge on the water, one or more of the coaches of a non-impacted school may be asked to hear the protest and render a decision.

5. SCORING:

Scoring will be in accordance with ISSA PR 9. And scored via the TechScore system.

6. COACHING:

- 6.1. Coaches are allowed on the water and will be asked to serve as Race Committee Support as well as Safety Boat Support. There should be at least two coaches representing at least two different schools in each coach boat.
- 6.2. Competitors may receive coaching, including instruction, assistance, equipment or sustenance between races on the water. No coaching is permitted after the individual race warning signals or before the end of a given race EXCEPT in the Silver Fleet, where coaching may be provided to help expedite racing and to support sailors that are near the back of the fleet and/or struggling with the racing, conditions and/or format.
- 6.3. Coaches are encouraged to observe the racing closely and may be asked to serve on a protest committee and/or serve as a protest witness to expedite hearings and to help with the education of the sailors on rules. Where possible parents are encouraged NOT to serve as coaches for your own kids.

7. SAFETY:

- 7.1. Per Procedural Rule 2.2, competitors shall wear USCG approved life jackets for small boat sailing. Inflatable type life jackets are not permitted.
- 7.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee either before leaving the course, or if that is impossible, immediately after arriving ashore.

8. FORMAT:

- 8.1. The regattas will be comprised of two fleets, Gold and Silver. The PRO will attempt to run the races starting with Gold and then Silver and continuing throughout the day until the end-of-day time is reached. In some venues, there may be time for a very brief break, approximately half-way through the afternoon.

9. TROPHIES:

- 9.1. Prizes will be awarded to schools placing 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th in the regatta. Prizes will be for one helmsperson and one crew.
- 9.2. The individual finishers' scores for each of the five regattas in the Gold Fleet will also count towards the series trophy. The series' top school will have its name engraved on the perpetual Robert Anderson Trophy.

10. WAIVER OF LIABILITY:

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.

The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

11. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS:

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.