

2019 BYC TWILIGHTS SERIES SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) **Rules:** This regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). The use of spinnaker sails is prohibited.
- 2) **Notices to Competitors:** Notices to competitors will be posted on the Balboa Yacht Club (BYC) Race Notice Board located on the Flag Deck. Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted before 1700 hours on the day it will take effect.
- 3) **Schedule:** The Twilights Series is composed of four (4) series: May, June, July and August. Races are scheduled for every Wednesday starting with May 15th and ending August 28.

May Series: May 15, 22, 29

June Series: June 5, 12, 19, 26

July Series: July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

August Series: August 7, 14, 21, 28

Dinghy Classes: Two (2) races are scheduled for each day of racing. The scheduled time of the Warning signal for the first race each day is 1800 hours. Most classes will start earlier than in past years because the Harbor 20's will use a separate starting area. The second race of the day will start after a short (approx.. 5-10 minute) break at the conclusion of the first race. Harbor 20s: Two (2) or three (3) races are scheduled for each day of racing. The scheduled time of the Warning signal is 1800 hours.

- 4) **Courses:** Courses are described on the 2019 BYC Twilights Race Course Chart. Dinghy Classes: The Race Committee will display a numeral placard on the BYC Race Signal Tower. The placard may not be in place until shortly after the Warning Signal; this changes RRS 27.1. Harbor 20s: Courses are described on the 2019 BYC Twilights "Harbor 20" Race Course Chart. Courses will be displayed on a dry erase board on the race committee boat.
- 5) **Marks:** Marks are described on the course chart. Round all marks to port except where an "S" subscript is noted in the course description. All marks are rounding marks. For the Harbor 20's – marks A & B will be orange inflatable marks. Mark A will be to weather of the Signal Boat and Mark B to leeward.
- 6) **Omit Mark K:** When code flag V (white with red X) is displayed at the Warning signal, omit the first instance of Mark K from the course.
- 7) **Start/Finish Line:** Dinghy Classes: The start/finish line will be between a staff buoy flying an orange flag and the vertical spar of the BYC Race Signal Tower signal mast. As a courtesy, an orange flag may be flown from the signal mast. Harbor 20s: The start line will be between a staff buoy flying an orange flag and an orange flag flying from the Race Committee signal boat. The finish

line will be off of the Race Committee signal boat or the BYC Race Tower. (depending on the course)

- 8) **The Start:** Dinghy Classes: Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the Warning signal given three (3) minutes prior to the Starting signal and the Preparatory signal given two (2) minutes prior to the Starting signal. This changes RRS 26. The order of starts will be posted on the Race Notice Board. Harbor 20s: Races will be started by using the Sound Signal Starting System
- 9) **Individual Recalls:** The Race Committee will attempt to verbally hail boats during an Individual Recall. Code Flag X will not be displayed. This changes RRS 29.2.
- 10) **Time Limit:** The time limit to sail the course shall be two (2) hours for the Harbor 20 class and one (1) hour for all other classes. Boats not finishing within fifteen (15) minutes after the first boat in her class will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35 and A4.1
- 11) **Penalty System:** A boat breaking a RRS Part 2 rule while racing may take a One Turn penalty. This changes RRS 44.1.
- 12) **Protests:** Protest forms are available outside the BYC Sailing Office. Protests shall be delivered to that office within one-half hour after the conclusion of the last race of the day. This Changes RRS 61.3. Protest hearings will be conducted at a time and place to be determined by the BYC Protest Committee. Notice of hearing will be posted on the Race Notice Board immediately following the close of Protest Time.
- 13) **Scoring:** The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will be applied to each series except that:
 - a) When fewer than seven (7) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - b) When seven (7) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - c) When eight (8) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two (2) worst scores.
 - d) DNS boats will be scored points equal to the greatest number of competitors in the series, to date, plus one (1). This changes RRS A4.2.
 - e) RRS A9 will not apply.
 - f) One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
 - g) Competitors that fail to file an entry form by the close of the registration period will not be scored.
- 14) **Prizes:** Prizes will be awarded per Class per Series in the BYC dining room the evening of the last day of racing for each monthly series per the following:
1 trophy 2 to 3 boats; 2 trophies 4 to 5 boats; 3 trophies 6 to 7 boats; 4 trophies 8 to 9 boats; 5 trophies 10 + boats.