



Offshore Yacht Racing Association

Northern Star – Rev 8/11/10

1. RULES

- 1.1. This race will be governed by the rules as defined by *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009 – 2012* and the *YRA Standing Sailing Instructions*, except as any of these are changed by these sailing instructions.
- 1.2. RRS 40 is deleted and replaced with “all competitors shall wear life jackets or adequate personal buoyancy while on deck”.

2. ENTRIES

- 2.1. This race is open to all qualified yacht owners who are season racers in OYRA, or have paid a one-time entry fee for this YRA event, and have met the minimum equipment requirements for YRA Ocean Races.
- 2.2. Yachts that do not have a completed Minimum Equipment List on file with the YRA and/or have not submitted a Crew/Boat information sheet for the race will not be considered starters and will be scored DNS.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1. **ALL YACHTS MUST CHECK IN ON VHF CHANNEL 71 WITH THE RACE COMMITTEE DURING THE CHECK IN PERIOD 0830 TO 0930.**
- 3.2. Failure of a boat to check in before the deadline and establish two-way communication with the race committee will result in the boat not being considered to have started and will be scored DNS. The Race Committee may make announcements on, and will monitor **Channel 71**, but will not be able to respond to queries in the one minute before and after a start. Vessels in need of *safety assistance* should hail the Coast Guard on Channel 16 in case of emergency.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACE:

Race	Day and Date	Time of Warning Signal & Shape
Northern Star	Saturday August 14, 2010	0940 hours First Division Warning

4.1. SCHEDULED STARTING SEQUENCE

FLEET	DIVISION FLAG
PHRO 1A	A - ALPHA
PHRO 1	C - CHARLIE
PHRO 2	D - DELTA
PHRO 3	E - ECHO
SHS	F - FOXTROT

5. START

- 5.1. Between Mark "X" and an orange marker on the Golden Gate Yacht Club race deck. Cross the line from East to West.

6. COURSE

- 6.1. **COURSE 1:** From the start, to the North Approach Buoy Y “N” (YRA NO) to port, then to Approach Buoy R “SF”(YRA SF) to port, then to finish. Calculated Distance: 36.8 nm
- 6.2. **COURSE 2:** From the start, to the North Approach Buoy Y “N” (YRA NO) to port, then to finish. Calculated Distance: 34 nm



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7. FINISH

7.1. Same as the starting line except cross the line from West to East.

8. TIME LIMIT

8.1. All boats not finishing by 2359 hours on August 14, 2010 will be scored DNF.

8.2. Boats finishing after 2000 hours on Saturday August 14, 2010 if not receiving a response from the RC must take their own time and report it to the YRA Answering Service at (415) 771-9500. RC will attempt to maintain a watch on the radio for approaching boats & for safety.

9. MISSING MARK

9.1. In the event a mark is missing, the course shall be the same as indicated in these instructions. Boats shall round the mark by navigation to the Lat/Lon of the mark as indicated in the most recent Light List. Skipper shall maintain a log of the Lat/Lon and time of rounding.

10. REPORTING FINISH/WITHDRAWAL/DNF

10.1. Boats finishing during the night will illuminate the boat's sail numbers to assist the RC. In addition, each boat should record her own finish time and note both the boat ahead and behind, whenever possible.

10.2. Boats not finishing within the time limit or boats not completing the course, unless directly and specifically acknowledged by the RC, must report the fact to the YRA answering service at 415-771-9500. If not able to report while underway, telephone contact must be made immediately after coming ashore. Any boat not so reporting will be scored points equal to a DSQ under YRA SSI 2.0 and is considered a DNE (Disqualification not excludable).

11. CREW INFORMATION SHEET

11.1. A Crew Information sheet (**ATTACHMENT 1**) MUST be on file with the YRA office **no later than 1700 hrs the Thursday before the start**. Boats that fail to submit their crew lists by the Thursday deadline will not be considered entered in the race and will be ineligible to race. Forms must be faxed to 415-276-2378 or emailed to info@yra.org.

12. PROTEST

12.1. In accordance with the YRA Standing Sailing Instructions.

13. RELEASE OF LIABILITY

13.1. 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 organizer (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.

14. RACE COMMITTEE

Jeff Zarwell, Regatta PRO
415-595-8364

15. INFORMATION

15.1. YRA: 415-771-9500 or e-mail info@yra.org.

ATTACHMENT 1 – CREW INFORMATION SHEET

THIS FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE YRA OFFICE NO LATER THAN 1700 hrs the THURSDAY BEFORE THE START. FAILURE TO SUBMIT THE CREW INFORMATION SHEET ON TIME WILL CAUSE A BOAT TO BE INELIGIBLE TO RACE! FAX TO 415-276-2378, OR EMAIL TO INFO@YRA.ORG

BOAT NAME: _____ SAIL #: _____

DECK COLOR: _____ HULL COLOR: _____

BOAT TYPE: _____ LOA: _____ DRAFT: _____

MARINA: _____ BERTH: _____

EPIRB TYPE: _____ BEACON ID: _____ REGISTERING AUTHORITY: _____

OF VHF RADIOS ON BOARD: _____ ON BOARD CELL PHONE #: _____

SKIPPER'S NAME: _____

SKIPPER'S ADDRESS: _____ SKIPPER'S CELL #: _____

SKIPPER'S EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____ CONTACT PHONE: _____

CREW # 1: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Contact Phone: _____

CREW # 2: _____

Emergency Contact _____ Contact Phone: _____

CREW # 3 _____

Emergency Contact _____ Contact Phone: _____

CREW # 4: _____

Emergency Contact _____ Contact Phone: _____

CREW #5 : _____

Emergency Contact _____ Contact Phone: _____

CREW # 6: _____

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Emergency Contact _____ Contact Phone: _____

CREW # 8: _____

Emergency Contact _____ Contact Phone: _____

CREW # 9: _____

Emergency Contact _____ Contact Phone _____