



INTERNATIONAL 5.5 METER CLASS SPRING CHALLENGE

Sunday April 2, Sunday May 21, Saturday June 24

Encinal Yacht Club, Alameda CA

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1.0 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017–2020.
- 1.2 Competitors are required to wear USCG approved PFD's on the water at all times except while changing or adjusting clothing. No "Y" flag will be flown. This changes RRS40.
- 1.3 RRS 44.1 is modified; when a boat may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 she may take a One-Turn Penalty.

2.0 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted before 1700 hrs. the day before it will take effect.

3.0 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from yardarm of the flagpole located at the rear of the club house.

4.0 RACING AREA

- 4.1 The racing area will be the Inner Harbor Entrance Channel section directly in front of the Club.

5.0 COURSES AND MARKS

- 5.1 A description of the courses and marks used are described in Addendum A attached.

6.0 STARTING

- 6.1 The starting and finishing lines will be between a yellow ball buoy and an orange flag on the race committee signal boat.
- 6.2 The starting finishing line is restricted except when starting or finishing.
- 6.3 The starting system shall be US Sailing prescription Appendix U: AUDIBLE – SIGNAL RACING SYSTEM. A three minute audible start system that allows verbal on the water commands. For your convenience, a copy of Appendix U is attached.

7.0 PLANNED SCHEDULE AND NUMBER OF RACES

- 7.1 The warning signal for the first race of the day, weather permitting, is 1155 hours.
- 7.2 Four races, weather permitting, are planned each day for a total twelve.
- 7.3 No race shall start after 1530 hours.

8.0 PROTESTS

- 8.1 Protest forms will be available at the Encinal YC office, first floor at club entry.
- 8.2 Protest(s) will be delivered the PRO, before the protest time limit, which will be one hour after the signal boat docks.
- 8.3 A Hearing Notice will be posted on the official notice board, adjacent to the second floor bar, within thirty minutes after the protest time limit.

9.0 SCORING

- 9.1 Three races must be completed to constitute a series. If only four races are completed all scores shall be counted. If five to eight races are completed, a boat's worse score shall be excluded. If eight or more races are completed, a boat's two worse scores shall be excluded.