

# 2015 Farr 30 World Championship

## October 12—17, 2015

Organizing Authority: Farr 30 International Class Association  
in conjunction with  
Corinthian Yacht Club of Seattle  
Shilshole Bay, Seattle, WA, USA

### Sailing Instructions

#### 1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by:
  - 1.1.1. The rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
    - 1.1.1.1. Rule 40 of the RRS shall govern **as written in the RRS**. This changes NOR 1.3 as is allowed by NOR 1.4.
  - 1.1.2. The Class Rules of the Farr 30 International Class Association
  - 1.1.3. The prescriptions of the national authority, US Sailing, that apply are stated in Sailing Instruction 24
- 1.2. Yachts shall comply with the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations, Category 4, and Appendix 3 of the Farr 30 International Class Rules. Designers and manufacturers original standards shall prevail in the event of a conflict.
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

#### 2. Notices to Competitors

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the window north of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor front entrance door of the CYC Seattle Clubhouse.
- 2.2. Any questions concerning these sailing instructions, scoring, or any other matters related to this regatta shall be submitted in writing to the CYC office or the Jury Table (see SI 14.2). All written inquiries and responses will be posted on the official notice board.

#### 3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

Changes to these Sailing Instructions will be posted with other Notices to Competitors (see SI 2) before 0900 PDT of the day they will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 PDT on the day before it will take effect.

#### 4. Signals Ashore

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag pole on the east side of the roof of the CYC clubhouse.
- 4.2. When the AP signal is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the Race Signals definitions. This changes the RRS/Signals/Postponement Signals/AP.

#### 5. Schedule

Monday, Oct 12 – Tuesday, Oct 13

0930—1630 PDT Check-in, Crew weight-in  
and measurement / inspection.

Tuesday, Oct 13

1700 PDT Skippers Briefing

Wednesday, Oct 14 – Friday, Oct 16

Three (3) races scheduled each day.

1600 PDT No warning after this time

Saturday, Oct 17

Two (2) races are scheduled.

1055 PDT First warning

1500 PDT No warning after this time

## 6. Class Flag

The class flag shall be the Farr 30 Class Flag.

## 7. Racing Area

The racing area will be in Puget Sound, off Shilshole Bay Marina, within 3 miles of the Meadow Point green navigation marker.

## 8. Course

- 8.1. Courses will be signaled with a series of letters indicating the marks to round in the indicated order posted on the course board on the stern of the RC Signal Boat.
- 8.2. All marks but gates are to be left to Port.
- 8.3. Marks letters are defined as follows:
  - 8.3.1. S – Starting Line Pin end
  - 8.3.2. F – Finish Line Pin end
  - 8.3.3. Mark A – Weather Mark.
  - 8.3.4. Mark B – Offset Mark.
  - 8.3.5. Mark X – Leeward Mark in vicinity of RC Signal Boat. **The pin end of the start line (Mark S at the start) will be used as Mark X.**
  - 8.3.6. Mark Y – Leeward Mark two-tenths (2/10) of a mile or more below RC Signal boat.
  - 8.3.7. The Start Mark will also be used as the Finish Mark and boats will finish leaving the RC signal boat to Port if finishing downwind, Starboard if finishing upwind.
  - 8.3.8. If there is a gate at Mark X, the gate mark closer to the RC Signal Boat will be the Start/Finish Mark.
- 8.4. The approximate compass bearing from the RC Signal Boat to Mark A will be displayed on the Race Committee Signal Boat prior to or with the warning signal.
- 8.5. There may be a Gate at leeward marks X and Y.
- 8.6. Relative position of marks on the course and sample courses are shown in Attachment A.

## 9. Marks

- 9.1. Marks of the course will be large inflatable Red cones, except as specified in 9.3 and 9.4.
- 9.2. If used, a “leeward gate” will consist of a pair of similarly shaped and colored marks.
- 9.3. Mark B, the offset mark, will be a smaller inflatable Yellow cone.
- 9.4. Change marks will be large inflatable Yellow cones.
- 9.5. The start/finish mark (S/F) will be a large inflatable Red cone, unless the finish mark (F) is a change mark, in which case it will be a large inflatable Yellow cone.

## 10. The Start

- 10.1. The starting line will be between a staff flying an orange flag displayed on the Race Committee Signal Boat on the starboard end and the course side of the starting mark (S) on the port end.
- 10.2. A boat not starting within 10 minutes after the Starting Signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.
- 10.3. The Race Committee will attempt to broadcast OCS sail numbers or bow numbers on VHF 72. The timeliness or order of such a broadcast will not be considered grounds for redress.
- 10.4. The Race Committee signal boat may maneuver to maintain position on the starting line with engine, including while anchored.

## **11. Change of the Position of the Next Mark**

- 11.1. Course changes will be signaled as defined in RRS 33.
- 11.2. If the weather mark is changed for the second rounding, the offset mark, mark B, will be omitted and boats shall proceed directly from mark A to the next mark of the course.
- 11.3. If a leeward mark that was a gate is changed, the change may be a single mark.
- 11.4. Gate Adjustment  
If there is a change in a leg of the course, the Race Committee may adjust the angle of the gate marks to one another to maintain proper configuration for the breeze without further signaling.
- 11.5. The Race Committee may adjust the course by up to 5 degrees without signaling and continuing to use the active mark. This changes RRS 33(a).

## **12. The Finish**

- 12.1. The finish line will be between the staff flying an orange flag displayed on the Race Committee Signal Boat and the Course side of the finishing mark (F).
- 12.2. The Race Committee signal boat may maneuver to maintain position on the starting line with engine, including while anchored.

## **13. Time Limit**

- 13.1. Time limits and target times are as follows:
  - 13.1.1. Time Limit 110 minutes
  - 13.1.2. First Mark Limit 35 minutes
  - 13.1.3. Target Time 90 minutes
- 13.2. If no boat has passed the first mark within the First Mark Time Limit (SI 13.1.2) the race shall be abandoned.
- 13.3. Boats not finishing within 30 minutes of the finish time of the first boat that sails the course and finishes shall be scored "TLE" (Time Limit Expired) without a hearing. A "TLE" score shall be two more points than the number of boats that finish the race. This changes RRS 35, A 4.1, A 4.2, A5 and A 11.

## **14. Protests and Redress**

- 14.1. Protest forms are available from the CYC office and from a table near the CYC front door.
- 14.2. The International Jury Table will be in the NW corner of CYC's first floor.
- 14.3. Protests shall be delivered to the Jury, at the Jury Table (SI 14.2) within the protest time limit.
- 14.4. The protest time limit will be one (1) hour after the Race Committee signal boat docks. The protest time limit will be posted on the official notice board at least thirty (30) minutes before the time limit is reached. If there is a problem that prevents the signal boat from returning to the dock, the protest time limit will be one (1) hour from the time the signal boat was estimated to have arrived at the dock in the absence of the problem.
- 14.5. All protests filed and the scheduled time and place of the hearing will be posted on the official bulletin board within 15 minutes of the protest time limit. This constitutes notice per RRS 63.2, in conjunction with SI 14.4 and 14.7. A protested party may obtain a copy of the protest at the Jury Table prior to the protest hearing.
- 14.6. Boats recorded on the finishing list as having not started or not finished will be posted on the Notice Board 30 minutes before the protest time limit. Any boat so notified may request redress, which must be filed in writing to the Jury Table within the protest time limit.
- 14.7. Protests will be scheduled to begin as soon as practical after the protest time limit expires. If all parties are present and willing to begin the protest hearing, the hearing may begin before the expiration of the protest time limit.

- 14.8. Redress hearing will not begin sooner than 30 minutes after the expiration of the Protest Time Limit.
- 14.9. Hearings will be held at the Jury Table.
- 14.10. Requests for redress for alleged scoring errors or submissions of scoring inquiries must be filed no later than 30 minutes after the posting of race results on the official notice board if results are posted by 2000 on the day of racing. If results are posted after 2000 on the day of racing, requests for redress must be filed by 0930 the following day, except on Saturday, when they must be filed within 30 minutes of the posting of the results. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 14.11. Video and photos taken from any support and/or coach boat shall not be used as evidence at protest hearings. This alters RRS 63.6.
- 14.12. On the last day of the regatta, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
- 14.12.1. Within the protest time limit if the result of the protest was posted or the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision (whichever is earlier) the previous day or,
- 14.12.2. No later than thirty (30) minutes after the results of the protest were posted or the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision (whichever is earlier) on that day. This changes RRS 66.

### **15. Scoring**

- 15.1. A boat's score for the series will be the total of all her race scores.
- 15.2. Five (5) races must be completed to constitute the World Championship.

### **16. Liability**

The safety of a boat and her entire management, including insurance, shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner and/or entrant.

### **17. Safety**

Competitors leaving the race course before the end of races for the day shall inform the Race Committee by VHF 72 or leave a voice mail for the RC at 801-784-3872 (801-puget-rc) as soon as possible. Competitors not leaving the dock on a race day shall inform the RC at the above phone number.

### **18. Replacement of Crew or Equipment**

- 18.1. Substitution of crew will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.
- 18.2. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

### **19. Equipment and Measurement Checks**

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by the race committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

### **20. Team and Private Support Boats**

- 20.1. Coach and support boats shall register with the race committee during registration and shall declare which boat or boats they are attached to.
- 20.2. Coach boats must comply with Class Rule 33.
- 20.3. Any coach or support boat that interferes with another competitor or the racing in any way, including creating excess wash or wake, or hinders an official boat carrying out its duties, shall have the competitor(s) to which they are attached liable to a penalty at the discretion of the International Jury.
- 20.4. Any competitor may protest under this instruction.

- 20.5. Coach boats and private spectator boats are expected to render assistance to a boat in danger when requested by the boat, or at the request of the Race Committee or International Jury.
- 20.6. The Penalty for breaking any part of this sailing instruction will be at the discretion of the International Jury up to and including disqualification of all boats attached with the team or private support boat.

### **21. Haul-out Restrictions**

All boats must be kept in the water at Shilshole Marina commencing on Oct 14, 2015 at 1000 PDT until the conclusion of racing on Saturday, Oct 17 and may not be hauled out except with and according to the terms of written permission of the race committee.

### **22. Diving Equipment**

Underwater breathing apparatus (including snorkels) and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

### **23. Radio Communication**

- 23.1. Except in an emergency or to inform the race committee under SI 17, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions (including cellular telephone) while racing.
- 23.2. The RC will use VHF channel 72 to communicate with the fleet. Failure of the RC to make broadcasts, failure of a boat to hear any broadcasts of the RC or the timeliness or order of broadcasts shall not constitute grounds for granting redress.

### **24. Prescriptions that apply**

- 24.1. After RRS 40 add:

US Sailing prescribes that every boat shall carry life-saving equipment conforming to government regulations that apply in the racing area. Go to <http://ussailing.org/racingrules/documents> and click the 'PFD' link for more information.

- 24.2. After RRS 67 (*Note that in the NOR this was incorrectly referred to as a prescription to RRS 68*) add:

US Sailing prescribes that:

- (a) A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.
- (b) A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US Sailing appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.
- (c) A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by the application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of "assumption of risk" for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.

- 24.3. After RRS 76.1 add:

US Sailing prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age."

- 24.4. *There is no Prescription to RRS 76.3. This was incorrectly stated in the NOR.*

### **25. Prizes**

- 25.1. The perpetual Royal Canadian Yacht Club Trophy will be awarded to the overall first place yacht.
- 25.2. Trophies for 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup> place overall will be awarded.

### **26. Disclaimer of Liability**

Participants agree that no person or organization involved in the conduct of this

Championship will be liable for any accident, injury, fatality, or damage or loss of boat or personal property arising out of a participant's preparation for or participation in any on-the-water or on-shore activities (whether social, recreational, launching, hauling, boat storage or otherwise) associated with the Championship. Nothing in these Sailing Instructions or oral statements by the Organizing Authority, their officers, directors or agents, shall modify or otherwise impair the effect of the Waiver of Liability Form, the execution of which is a condition of entry.

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End of Sailing Instructions

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## Appendix A. Course Diagrams

Relative RC and Mark Positions  
(Not to Scale)

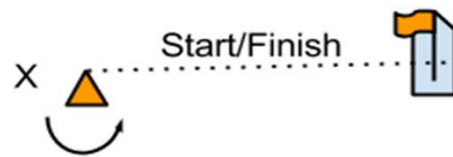


There are many possible courses, not all listed here. Other possible examples are:

SABYABYF -- (twice around, upwind finish)

SABYABYABF -- (twice around plus windward, downwind finish)

And any other possible combination of marks to reach our target race time length.



## Example Courses

