



SCHOCK 35 2010 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP



August 6 – August 8, 2010
Alamitos Bay Yacht Club
Long Beach, California USA
<http://www.abyc.org>

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board located near the race entry room. Except for notices of protests, all official regatta notices will be posted here.
- 2.2. Notices of protests will be posted on the protest notice board located near the protest office.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0930 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Alamitos Bay Yacht Club flag pole.
- 4.2. When code flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than sixty (60) minutes" in race signal AP. This changes race signal AP. Boats are requested not to leave the harbor until this signal is lowered.

5. BOW NUMBERS

Each boat will receive two (2) sets of bow numbers in the race packet, one (1) set each for each side of the boat. Both sets must be applied to the boat with the top of the numbers six (6) inches down from the deck sheer line and the forwardmost and uppermost part of the number ten (10) inches back from the bow.

6. COMPETITORS' MEETING

A competitors' meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 6, 2010, at 1000 in the ABYC patio.

7. SCHEDULE

Seven (7) races are scheduled. First warning will be at 1255 on Friday, August 6, and 1155 each subsequent day. After the first race each day, subsequent races will be started as soon as possible after completion of the prior race.

8. CLASS FLAGS

The class flag will be a white flag with the Schock 35 logo.

9. RACING AREA

- 9.1. The racing area will be off Sunset Beach. The starting area shall be located approximately three (3) nautical miles bearing 120 degrees magnetic from the end of the Alamitos Bay jetties.

10. THE COURSES

- 10.1. Courses shall be as shown in Appendix 1 of the sailing instructions.
- 10.2. No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee Signal Boat will indicate the course to be sailed by a card with the numeric designation.
- 10.3. No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee Signal Boat will display the approximate compass bearing to mark W by cards with the numeric designation.
- 10.4. Mark W shall be rounded to port.
- 10.5. If one (1) of the gate marks is missing, boats shall round the remaining mark to port.

11. MARKS

Marks will be yellow inflatables. New marks will be orange inflatables.

12. THE START

- 12.1. The starting line will be between an orange flag on a staff in the water at one end and an orange flag on a staff on the Race Committee Signal Boat at the other end. Both ends may be located on a race committee boat instead of being in the water.
- 12.2. A boat starting later than ten (10) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rules A4 and A5.

13. RECALLS

The race committee will attempt to hail the sail numbers of OCS boats on VHF Channel 72. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, the hail of some but not all OCS boats, the untimely hail of some or all OCS boats or failure to hail any or all boats shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes rule 62.1.

14. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 14.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 14.2. If a change is made, the race committee may adjust gate marks without further signaling to maintain the appropriate configuration. This changes rule 33.

15. THE FINISH

- 15.1. The finishing line will be between an orange flag on a staff in the water at one end and an orange flag on a staff on a race committee boat at the other end. Both ends may be located on a race committee boat instead of being in the water.
- 15.2. A sound signal made from a race committee boat at the finishing line means, "It has been recorded that this boat has crossed the finishing line."

16. TIME LIMIT

- 16.1. The time limit will be ninety (90) minutes.
- 16.2. Boats failing to finish within thirty (30) minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

17. PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1 is changed such that if a boat breaks a rule of Part 2 outside the zone of any rounding, starting or finishing mark, the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. If a boat breaks a rule of Part 2 inside the zone of any rounding, starting or finishing marks, Rule 44.1 applies without change.

18. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 18.1. Protest forms are available near the race entry room. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within thirty (30) minutes after the Race Committee Signal Boat arrives at the dock.
- 18.2. Notices will be posted on the protest notice board located near the race entry room to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties. This will constitute notice to all parties under rule 63.2. Hearings will be heard in approximately the order in which protests are received.
- 18.3. Breaches of instructions 6, 12.2, 20, 22, 23 and/or 24 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.

- 18.4. On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day; or
 - (b) no later than thirty minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66.

19. SCORING

Seven (7) races are scheduled of which three (3) must be completed to constitute a series. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

20. SAFETY

- 20.1. CHECK-IN: Prior to the WARNING signal for the first race a boat intends to race each day, each boat shall sail by the stern of the Race Committee Signal Boat, hail her sail number and obtain the acknowledgment of the race committee.
- 20.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify a race committee boat before leaving the racing area, or, if that is not possible, notify a regatta official or the yacht club office immediately upon arrival on shore.

21. REPLACEMENT OF CREW

There shall be no transfer or replacement of crew after the boat has left the dock for the day.

22. 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.

23. COACH/SUPPORT/SPECTATOR BOATS

- 23.1. The skipper of each coach/support/spectator boat must check in during registration.
- 23.2. All coaches, support personnel and spectators are required to attend a meeting which will be held immediately following the competitors' briefing.
- 23.3. All coach/support/spectator boats shall display an identification flag while on the water as directed by the race committee and return the flag at the conclusion of the regatta. No flag, banner, pennant, signal or shape other than that supplied by the race committee shall be displayed.
- 23.4. Coach/ support/spectator boats must be prepared to render assistance to any boat in need and perform any other function requested of them by the race committee.
- 23.5. Unless otherwise directed by the race committee, no coach/support/spectator boat may be within one hundred (100) yards of the course boundaries nor have any communication with a competitor between the first warning signal for a race and the time that race is abandoned or the competitor has finished and is one hundred (100) yards outside the finishing line and course boundaries. This changes rule 41.
- 23.6. All coach/support/spectator boats must monitor a designated VHF channel if requested to do so by the race committee.
- 23.7. The penalty for failing to comply with these requirements will be applied to the appropriate competitors' boats associated with the coach/support/spectator boat personnel at the discretion of the protest committee. Additionally, upon receiving a report, the organizing authority may take other disciplinary action against the registered support personnel.

24. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to cellular telephones.

25. PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded in accordance with the Notice of Race following the last race on Sunday.

26. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.