

Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club

Monterey CA USA

2019 Sailing Instructions (SI)

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1. RULES

1.1 Regattas organized by the Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club (MPYC) will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Race Board at the MPYC clubhouse, and on the MPYC Race web page as appropriate.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 On the day of a race, any change to the SI will be sent via email to all competitors and posted on the MPYC race board at the clubhouse before_0900 on the day it will take effect. If there is any change to the schedule of races, it shall be posted by 20:00 on the day before the change will take effect.

3.1 In the most unusual circumstances, where the procedure above is precluded, the race committee may give oral changes to the sailing instruction on the water by displaying code flag L with one sound. The change will be given to each boat and the race committee will record the acknowledgement of the change by each boat.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore may be displayed at the flagpole atop the MPYC Clubhouse.

5. RACING SCHEDULE

5.1 The schedule of races is listed in the MPYC 2019 Racing Schedule. Additional race days or races may be scheduled if necessary.

5.2 The MPYC 2019 Season Championship for each One Design Class and PHRF consists of three separate Series: Spring, Summer, and Fall as listed in the Schedule.

5.3 The MPYC 2019 Sunset Series will have separate divisions for each One Design Class and PHRF. For all other MPYC regattas, the number of races each day is set by the Notice of Race and/or the race committee.

5.4 For purposes of MPYC PHRF racing, boats with a PHRF rating lower than 100 will compete in A class, while boats with a PHRF rating of 100 and higher will compete in B class.

5.5 The One Design and PHRF classes will have the number of races indicated in the Schedule for each scheduled Series Race day. Three races must be completed to constitute a series.

5.6 The scheduled start time of the first race of each day is listed in the MPYC 2019 Racing Schedule. The warning signal for this first race will be given no earlier than 5 minutes prior to the time listed.

5.7 When more than one race (or sequence of races, for two or more classes) will be held on the same day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.

5.8 Sunset Series races will start as close as possible to 1800, with a warning signal at 1755.

6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1 These signaling flags are used as Class Flags: to identify One Design classes the class sail insignia; to identify the PHRF A class, code flag A, and to identify the PHRF B class, code flag B.

7. RACING AREAS

7.1 The attached 2019 MPYC Course Sheet shows the location of racing areas, fixed marks and the coded courses. Courses are not limited to those listed.

8. THE COURSES

8.1 Courses may be selected from the current Course Sheet, displayed from the RC Boat, or by special written instructions. Courses may be described using a sequence of the mark rounding codes of SI 9.1. A course for a specific class may be prefixed with an unambiguous class abbreviation.

8.2 Multi-lap courses may be indicated using the letter "X" and a whole number to indicate that the given course is to be repeatedly sailed that number of laps. If a course is to be sailed repeatedly, boats must sail through the start line to complete each lap prior to starting a subsequent lap.

8.3 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee signal boat will display the course to be sailed.

9. MARKS AND OBSTRUCTIONS

9.1 The 2019 MPYC Course Sheet describes the racing area and marks of the course(s). Mark descriptions are abbreviated to a short uppercase letter or number code followed by a smaller letter "p" or "s" to indicate that the mark is to be left to port, or starboard.

9.2 In the event a mark is out of position, and if the mark is not replaced or substituted by the race committee per RRS 34 (a) and (b), then the race is automatically abandoned, and the competitors shall return to the starting area for further instructions from the Race Committee. This modifies RRS rules 32 and 34.

10. THE START

10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag and a nearby floating mark as designated by the Race Committee.

10.2 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored "Did Not Start." This changes RRS A 4.

11. THE FINISH

11.1 Finishing boats will cross the finishing line "from the course side." The finishing line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag and a nearby floating mark (Usually the original starting mark).

11.2 The finish line for courses finishing at "F" will be between the "F" mark and the flagpole on the MPYC rooftop, or a staff displaying an orange flag at the end of Wharf II, or between the "F" mark and a staff displaying an orange flag race on the committee boat. When designated as the finish mark, "F" will be followed by a small "p" or "s" to indicate from which side the finish line should be crossed.

12. TAKING A PENALTY

12.1 Appendix V1 will apply.

13. TIME LIMITS

13.1 Boats failing to finish within the following time after the first boat of its class sails the course and finishes will be scored "Did Not Finish." This changes RRS 35 and A 4.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Time Limit</u>
All Classes	less than 10 NM	30 minutes
PHRF A&B	less than 20 NM	90 minutes

14. PROTESTS, ARBITRATION AND REDRESS

14.1 RRS Appendix T2, T3 and T4 apply. An arbitrator will be selected by mutual agreement of the parties.

14.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 1 hour after the last boat of that class has finished the last race of the day.

14.3 Notices will be posted at the MPYC Clubhouse Race board within a reasonable time after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the place and time posted.

14.4 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered to an RC official within the protest time limit. Time of protest form delivery shall be noted on the protest form by the receiving RC representative.

15. SCORING

15.1 Scores will be posted in Regatta Network by the race committee as soon as the race committee returns to the club house.

15.2 For races in PHRF classes the scoring is on the basis of Time-On-Time (TOT). The corrected time will be calculated as $CT = ET * (650 / (550 + PHRF))$.

15.3 The MPYC 2019 Season Championship standings will be determined after deducting from a boat's score of all Qualifying Series the number of worst scores in a like manner to RRS Appendix A2.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Number Deducted</u>
All one design	3
PHRF	1 for each 5 races

15.4 No scores may be excluded from a series standing. This changes RRS A2.

15.5 Scoring for the Sunset Series is based on the number of first place finishes only.

15.6 Terms and their respective scores (this changes RRS A 4.2, A9 and A11):

(DNF) Did Not Finish - boats that started, but did not finish, shall receive a score equivalent to the total number of boats that properly "Finished" +1"

(DNS) Did Not Start - boats that have checked in, but did not start, shall receive a score equivalent to the total number of boats that properly "Checked in" +1"

(RET) Retire - A boat which voluntarily retires from a race after properly checking in, and/or starting shall receive a score equivalent to the total number of boats that properly "Checked in" +1". A boat which voluntarily takes the RET scoring after properly checked in must request such action on the water and/or by other means thus properly notifying the Race Committee prior to leaving the race area and/or by notification of race committee in shortest time practicable.

(DNC) Did Not Compete or Did Not Come - shall receive a score equivalent to the total number of boats that "Registered" +1"

(DSQ) Disqualified - A DSQ can only be scored after a protest hearing and decision by a protest committee. A boat which is disqualified from a race shall receive a score equivalent to the total number of boats that properly "Checked in" +2".

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

16.1 Prior to her first start of each day, a boat should check-in with the race committee by passing the committee boat's stern on starboard tack. Boats which have been properly "checked in" by the Race Committee will be acknowledged orally and/or via VHF radio as such.

16.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as reasonably possible.

16.3 Boats shall be equipped in accordance with Federal Equipment Requirements for Recreational Vessels.

16.4 Boats shall carry a VHF marine transceiver in working condition, ground tackle sufficient for anchoring offshore of hazards in the racing area, a bucket, a compass and a first aid kit. It is recommended that boats carry a working flashlight.

16.5 All participants shall wear a PFD while racing.

16.6 California State law and boating regulations, it is recommended that all boats stay at least 200 feet clear from a dive boat displaying the Divers, and or Alpha flags. Boats should also exercise precaution in proximity of bathers and kayakers.

17. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

17.1 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 a race committee official to proceed immediately to a designated area for Inspection.

18. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

18.1 The Race Committee may broadcast information regarding MPYC racing events on VHF channel 68, or another channel properly designed prior to the warning signal for a specific race.

18.2 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

18.3 The race committee boat will monitor VHF channel 68 until all boats have finished, or otherwise been accounted for.

19. RACE COMMITTEE DUTY

19.1 Each boat's skipper is required to provide adequate race committee support when scheduled. Race committee support include crew on Race.com and or additional race committee boats, as well as scoring.

19.2 A minimum of 3 race committee personnel is recommended on Race.Com; and when additional MPYC boats are used, it is recommended that these boats will be crewed by at least two persons. Each boat used shall include a qualified and trained member of MPYC.

19.3 Failure to provide competent race committee support will be grounds for disqualification from the MPYC 2019 Season Championship and the Sunset Series. Boat skippers/crew who are unable to provide the assigned race committee support shall inform the Race Chairperson in a timely manner, and find a suitable replacement race committee.

20. PRIZES

20.1 The Race Chairperson, in consultation with the MPYC Flag Officers and the Fleet Captains, will determine trophies and perpetual trophy awards. Generally, trophies are awarded for first, second and third place finishers in each class for each series of races and specialty races; except a class or race with less than 9 entries may be awarded trophies for only first or only first and second place finishers at the discretion of the Race Chairperson.

21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

21.1 **Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk.** See RRS 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.