SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1. The Racing Series will be governed by the rules as defined in ISAF *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020*, the *2017-2020 Prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association*, the rules of each class concerned (except as altered by the Sailing Instructions), the Notice of Race, and these Sailing Instructions (including Attachment A).
- 1.2. The rules of each class will apply except class membership is not required, a current rating certificate is not required, and crew requirements are specified in Section 6.4 below. This changes Rule 78 and Section 4 of the NOR.
- 1.3. ISAF RRS numbered 78, A2, and A4, will be changed as indicated in these Sailing Instructions.
- **2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS** Notices to competitors will be sent by email to qualifying skippers at the e-mail address on file with the Yacht Club.
- **3. REGISTRATION** Participants are: #1 Sonar -1st, #1 Santana -1st, #1 Sonar 2nd, #1 Sanata 2nd, #1 HC 1st, #1 HC 2nd. These participants are automatically registered and all have confirmed their intention to race. No shows and de-commitments on the day of the race will be replaced with alternates (if possible). A mandatory skipper's meeting will be held at 9:00 am.
- **4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** Changes to Sailing Instructions will be either posted at C point upon conclusion of the skipper's meeting or communicated orally on the water by the Race Committee upon the raising of signal flag "L" with one sound prior to the time of the warning signal of any race.
- **5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE** Signals made ashore will be displayed at the docked committee boat on the north side of C Point.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES, RACE FORMAT, AND CLASS FLAG

- 6.1. There will be a total of 6 races with participants sailing in 3 different Santana 20s and 3 different Sonar 23s.
- 6.2. Schedule:
 - 8:00 am voluntary practice.
 - 8:45 am all skippers should have their boats at the swim dock ready to race.
 - 9:00 am mandatory Skipper's Meeting C Point. During this meeting:
 - Order of boats to be raced will be drawn; sample as below:

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Boats (1 - 6)		Race #					
		1	2	3	4	5	6
Skipper	Perlik	Cannonball	Knauty	PB &J	Sail Team 6	Fire Fly	Raven
	Mulhall	Knauty	PB & J	Sail Team 6	Fire Fly	Raven	Cannonball
	Ebbrecht	Sail Team 6	Fire Fly	Raven	Cannonball	Knauty	PB & J
	Kennedy	PB & J	Raven	Fire Fly	Knauty	Cannonball	SailTeam 6
	Staton	Raven	Cannonball	Knauty	PB & J	SailTeam 6	Fire Fly
	Hagan	Fire Fly	Sail Team 6	Cannonball	Raven	PB & J	Knauty

- o Discussions, announcements, and other items:
 - PDFs, boat swaps, whisker poles, spinnakers and protest flags.
 - Care of other's boats.
 - S20 Head sail choice will be made.
 - Lunch orders will be taken for skipper and one or two crew members.
 - Approximate race start time will be announced.
 - Owners explain unique features of their boats at the swim dock prior to departure.
- o There will be a lunch break ashore after the 1st, 2nd, or 3rd race.
- 6.3. After each race, crews will perform a boat to boat swap as indicated in the sample matrix above. Swaps will be done at the swim dock.
- 6.4. Boats will be sailed with main and headsail. Spinnaker use is optional, but each boat must be rigged and have a spinnaker available for use. S20 boat contributors must bring a genoa and a jib to C point with their boats by 9:00am; the Race Committee will decide which S20 headsail will be used for the day based on conditions at the Skipper's Meeting.
- 6.5. Crew will consist of skipper and one or two crew, each of whom must sail together for each race.

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- 6.6. The class flag will be the handicap fleet flag.
- 7. RACING AREA AND THE COURSE The photograph in Attachment A shows the race area and general location of course marks. The specific course will be displayed on the signal board on the race committee boat prior to the warning signal. Course information will be in the following sequence: 1) the order in which the marks are to be passed (The "X" mark may be used at the discretion of the Race Committee), 2) the number of laps if more than one, And 3) the side on which each mark is to be left as indicated by a red or green signal board.
- **8. MARKS** Marks A, B, C, D, E, & F will be white cylinder buoys with 2 orange stripes. The "X" mark will be a round orange buoy. See Attachment A. The starting marks will be the race committee signal boat on the starboard end and a white stick buoy (the pin mark) on the port end. Finishing marks will be the same as the starting marks (sides to be determined by course).

9. THE START AND FINISH

- 9.1. The start line will be between a red pole on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and the port end starting mark (the pin mark). The finish line will be between a red pole on the race committee signal boat and white stick buoy (same marks as the starting line).
- 9.2. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (**DNS**). This changes rule A4.
- **10. TIME LIMITS** If no boat reaches the first mark within 30 minutes the race will be abandoned.

11. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS:

- 11.1.Protests shall be delivered to the Principle Race Officer (PRO) at "C" Point within the protest limit. The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the race committee signal boat has docked after the last race of the day. The RC boat will make 2 short sounds upon docking that will indicate the start of the 30-minute period.
- 11.2. Notices will be sent by e-mail as soon as practical to competitors to inform them of hearings in which they are parties or are named as witnesses.

12. SCORING

- 12.1. There will be 6 scratch races with no handicaps applied and no throw outs. Six completed races are required to constitute the Series except that the Series may be postponed if weather or other conditions threaten the completion of 6 races. A boat's score in each race will be the sum of her finishes amongst all 6 boats. This changes Rule A2.
- 12.2. A boat that unduly delays the race(s) will be finished in place at the discretion of the Race Committee. This changes Rule A4.

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- **13. 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.
- **14. INSURANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY -** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. Skippers will be responsible for maintaining the condition of the boats they are sailing.
- **15. OTHER REQUIREMENTS** Each skipper and crew person must provide their own personal PFD as needed for their own use. Each skipper should bring his or her own protest flag and keep it with him throughout the regatta.