

COMMODORE'S CHALLENGE for 2008

An Invitational Event
Dana Point Yacht Club
Race scheduled for November 15, 2008



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 These races shall be governed by the 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) with US Sailing prescriptions; the rules of Performance Handicap Racing Fleet of Southern California (PHRF); rules of any participating one-design classes entered; the *Dana Point Race Chart 2007*, *The notice of Race*, and these *Sailing Instructions*. **In case of conflict, these *Sailing Instructions* take precedence.**
- 1.2 This race is organized by Dana Point Yacht Club. The Race Committee shall have sole authority to accept or reject the entry of any boat, and to interpret the rules and conditions of race.
- 1.3 Boats are subject to inspection by the appropriate fleet to ensure conformity to the applicable Class Rules.

2. ENTRY and ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 In order to be an official competitor eligible for trophies, a boat must have a completed entry form on file, must conform to all requirements as stated in the *Notice of Race* (section 3, 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3), and paid any fees due to the organizing authority.

3. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS / CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located outside the front doors to DPYC.
- 3.2 Any changes to these *Sailing Instructions* will be posted no later than 45 minutes after the end of the skippers' meeting.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag staff located on the upper deck of the DPYC clubhouse on the West Side of the building.
- 4.2 When the **AP** flag is displayed ashore, "*one (1) minute*" is replaced with "*not less than 30 minutes*" in the definition of race signal **AP**.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The scheduled time of the warning signal will be at 1255 hours.

6. CLASSES and CLASS FLAGS –

There is one class for this invitational event.

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>CLASS IDENTIFICATION FLAG</u>
PHRF A	A (white flag with dark letter)

7. SAFETY REGULATIONS (Check-in and retiring)

- 7.1 Competitors must check-in with the Race Committee prior to the warning signal of the first race of the day or they will be assessed a 20% penalty for the race.
- 7.2 To check-in, competitors shall sail past the stern of the Race Committee boat (when it is anchored on station in the starting area with code flag "*L*" displayed) and hail their sail numbers until acknowledged by a Race Committee member.
- 7.3 A boat that has checked in and subsequently retires from a race prior to finishing shall notify the Race Committee and obtain their acknowledgment before leaving the racecourse area by coming within hail or by making contact on VHF Channel 68 as soon as possible. Failure to comply may result in rejection of the competitor's future race entries.

8. RACING AREA, COURSES, and MARKS

- 8.1 All courses are as described in the *Notice of Race*.
- 8.2 The *Dana Point Race Chart 2007* is included as part of these instructions.
- 8.3 The course for each race will be signaled from the Race Committee boat using International Code Flag numeral pennants.

9. STARTING LINES, FINISHING LINES and STARTING SYSTEM

- 9.1 All races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.
- 9.2 The Start line for all races will be designated by a red flag on or near the committee boat (at the one end of the line) and a red flag on the floating mark (at the other end of the line).
- 9.3 The approximate location of the Start/Finish (S/F) line is described on the *Dana Point Race Chart 2007*
- 9.4 The Finish line will be designated by a red flag on a floating mark and a red flag on or near the Race Committee boat.

10. TIME LIMIT – There shall be no time limit for any race.

11. PROTESTS

- 11.1 Protests shall be on written forms available at DPYC and delivered to the DPYC office staff or bar staff within 60 minutes after the race committee boat docks.
- 11.2 The race committee boat docking time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 11.3 Hearings will be held at Dana Point Yacht Club as soon as possible after racing.

12. SCORING – Is explained in the Notice of Race

13. TROPHIES – Are explained in the Notice of Race.