



**DANA POINT YACHT CLUB  
2008 SUMMER SERIES  
THIRSTY THURSDAYS  
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**



**RULES**

These regattas will be governed by the 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US Sailing, the rules of participating classes, the Notice of Race, except as any of these that are changed by these Sailing Instructions. Headsails on non-spinnaker boats must be attached to the stem of the boat and the clew may be supported by a pole, which conforms to PHRF requirements (spinnaker, whisker, or other conforming poles). Double headsails **will be** allowed in this regatta, for all classes. All boats shall comply with PHRF category IV requirements and shall also comply with all US Coast Guard safety rules.

**START/FINISH**

The races will start approximately 0.8 NM, Bearing 159 from the entrance to Dana Point. The current Dana Point Race Chart will be used. A red or orange flag located on or near the race committee boat will mark the starboard end of the starting line. The port end of the line will be marked by a red or orange flag. The first class flag will be 1800 hours. The finish line will be inside the breakwater between the DPYC clubhouse and a mark in the outer main channel approximately .75 NM from the harbor entrance. Please use caution when finishing near the anchorage and near the boats therein. The finishing deadline is sunset as determined by the Race Committee.

**CLASSES**

**Thursdays:** There will be four classes: Non-Spin A, Non-Spin B Non-Spin C, and J/24 Classes. Boats other than J/24's with PHRF Area "E" RLC handicaps less than or equal to 80 will be in A class, those with PHRF Area "E" RLC handicaps 81 to 144 will be in B Class, and those with PHRF Area "E" RLC handicaps 145 and greater will be in C class. Race Committee may change the class breaks via notice to racers on the outside bulletin board of DPYC by 1600 the day of the race.

Boats entering without a PHRF rating will be assigned one by the Race Committee at their discretion and it will apply for the duration of the series.

**COURSES**

Numeric code flags displayed from the Race Committee boat will designate courses. The courses will be taken from the current Dana Point Race Chart.

**STARTING TIMES, ORDER & SIGNALS**

Starts shall be in accordance with RRS 26 with 3 minute intervals. This means that the P flag will be flown during the 2nd minute of the 3 minute interval. All boats must check in with the Race Committee before the first Class Flag is raised. Failure to do so will result in 15 minutes being added to that boats finish time. Class Flags will be white squares with large black letters A, B, C, and J24.

<u>Scheduled Time</u>		<u>Start Order</u>	<u>Class Flag</u>
<b>1800</b>	<b>First Warning</b>		
<b>1803</b>	<b>START</b>	<b>Class A</b>	<b>A</b>
<b>1806</b>	<b>START</b>	<b>Class B</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>1809</b>	<b>START</b>	<b>Class C</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>1812</b>	<b>START</b>	<b>J/24</b>	<b>J24</b>

**All times shown are schedule times and may change per RRS 26.**

### **RECALLS**

Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.2. No sail numbers will be hailed. A general recall will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.3 and the recalled class and all subsequent classes shall start accordingly.

### **SCORING**

The Thirsty Thursdays will consist of two series of races. Each series with an overall class winner and a combined overall Non-Spinnaker winner. Each series will have two throw-outs. This changes RRS A2. Boats shall be scored using PHRF Area "E" RLC rating or rating assigned by the race committee. The Low Point Scoring System, RRS A4 will apply. DNC shall score the number of entrants to date in her class plus one point. A DNS and DNF shall score the number of starter in her class plus one point. A DSQ shall score the number of entrants to date in her class plus two points. This changes RRS A4.2. Ties will be broken in accordance with RRS A8.

### **PROTESTS**

Protests are **HIGHLY DISCOURAGED**. Protests shall conform to RRS 61 and must be filed within 30 minutes of the last boat finishing the race for your class.

### **Warning**

**When sailing up the channel please be advised that there is a build up of sand near the west basin do not sail outside the buoys lining the channel near the break water.**