

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

RYC Jr. El Toro Invitational Regatta Richmond Yacht Club, Richmond, CA Saturday, April 4, 2009

SPONSOR: Richmond Yacht Club.

EQUIPMENT: All equipment used by a competitor (hull, sail, masts, boom, centerboard, rudder, etc.) must conform to the El Toro Class Rules.

OVERVIEW: The event will be a series of not more than five races, with one throw-out if there are five races. Two or more races shall constitute a series. A skippers meeting will convene at 9:45 a.m. Weather permitting, the warning signal for the first race will be at 10:45 a.m. and no races will be started after 3:15 p.m. A picnic lunch break will be taken outside the RYC clubhouse. **BRING YOUR OWN FOOD AND BEVERAGES.**

SAFETY: All competitors **WILL** wear PFDs. Commercial traffic has right of way; **STAY CLEAR!** Races may be abandoned due to commercial traffic.

RULES: Regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2009-2012.

COURSES: See attached Course Sheet. All marks to port. The course number will be displayed by a number placard on the committee boat. Courses may be shortened under Rule 32 (2 horns and code flag S).

STARTING AREA AND START/FINISH LINE: Conditions permitting, the starting area will be in or near the cove approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ mile east of the RYC harbor mouth. Spectator viewing from shore is excellent. The start/finish line will be between the start/finish flag (orange) on the committee boat and a buoy to port of committee boat. The start/finish line is restricted unless starting or finishing.

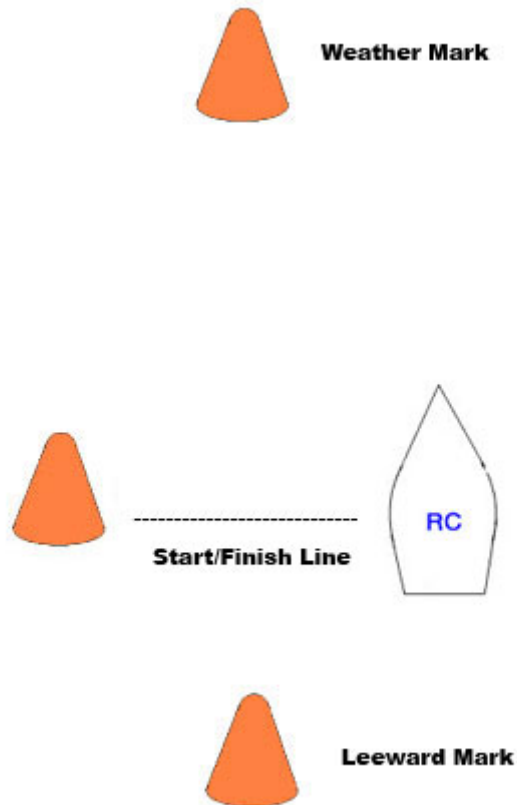
STARTING SEQUENCE: 5 minutes under Rule 26 (at 5 minutes yellow flag or code flag I up and one horn, at 4 minutes blue flag up and one horn, at 1 minute blue flag down and one horn, at start yellow flag or code flag I down and one horn).

RECALLS: Individual recalls will be signaled by code flag X and one horn. An attempt will be made to hail competitors by sail number. General recalls will be signaled by the first substitute and two horns.

TIME LIMIT: At discretion of the race committee, competitors finishing more than 8 minutes after the first finisher may be scored DNF.

PROTESTS: Protests are discouraged. **COMPETITORS MAY DO A 360° PENALTY TURN** if they commit an infraction and are urged to do so. **PRACTICE GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP.** To be heard, any protest must be filed before 40 minutes after the last finish of the last race.

COURSE SHEET
RYC Jr. El Toro Invitational Regatta
Richmond Yacht Club, Richmond, CA
Saturday, April 4, 2009



Course 1: Start W L Finish

Course 2: Start W L W L Finish

Course 3: Start W L W L W L Finish

Remember: All marks to Port. Start/Finish Line is restricted.