



Folsom Lake Yacht Club

2015 Camellia Cup Sailing Instructions

Last Revision: 4/15/2015

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 (**RRS**), the prescriptions of the US Sailing, the rules of the participating classes, and by these sailing instructions.

2. Entries

- 2.1. All registrations must be completed by April 18th at 8:30am
- 2.2. All participants are requested to register online prior to April 16th at 11:00pm. See <http://www.flyc.org/camellia-cup.aspx> for online registration details.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 3.1. All changes to the Notices to Competitors and Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official Regatta notice board located at the FLYC Clubhouse.
- 3.2. All notices will be posted by 9:00am on the day they take effect, except that any changes to the race schedule will be posted before 8:00pm on the day before they take effect

4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on a pole near the FLYC clubhouse or from the Committee boat if dockside.
- 4.2. If flag "AP" is flown ashore with two sound signals (one when lowered) means "The race is postponed. The Warning Signal will be displayed not less than 30 minutes after the "AP" is lowered."
- 4.3. Flag "AP" flown over flag "A" means "races not started are postponed to the next day." If flown on the Regatta's final day, then "All remaining races are canceled." This Changes **RRS #32.1** and **RRS Signals**.
- 4.4. Flag "B" when fully hoisted after the Race Committee returns to the dock means "Protest time has begun – the 30 minute protest filing period is open." One sound signal will accompany the hoisting and lowering of flag "B." When lowered, this means "Protest time has expired."

5. Schedule of Races

Saturday, April 18, 2015

- 7:30-8:30 a.m. Late Reg. & Check-in
- 9:00 a.m. Skipper's Meeting
- 10:30 a.m. First Shape (3 races scheduled)
- 5:00 p.m. Dinner (Approximately)

Sunday, April 19, 2015

- 10:30 a.m. First Shape (2 races scheduled)
- Race awards presentation following last race

6. Class Flags

- 6.1. Class Flags and placards will be assigned at the Skipper's Meeting.

7. Racing Area

- 7.1. A course sheet showing the FLYC circle racing area will be available at the Skipper's Meeting.

8. The Course

- 8.1. The courses are described on the course sheet.
- 8.2. If VHF communication is provided by race committee, channel information will be provided during the skippers meeting.
- 8.3. For reasons of safety no boat shall pass through the Start or Finish lines while racing, except when preparing to start, starting, or finishing. Infringing boats shall immediately be assessed a 2 point penalty for that race and may not unwind. This changes **RRS #28.1** and **RRS A5**.

9. Marks

- 9.1. The marks are numbered 1-8 as shown on the course chart.
- 9.2. All original marks are plastic barrels approximately 24" in diameter painted orange, with the corresponding mark number painted on the side of the barrel in black.
- 9.3. Alternate or replacement marks will be yellow inflatable cylinders in the location shown on the course chart for that mark. Replacement marks may be moved or removed during the entire regatta.

10. The Start

- 10.1. The start line will be between a red flag on the committee boat and a buoy with a red flag. The start line will be set to the starboard side of the committee boat.
- 10.2. Races will be started as per **RRS #26**, with classes starting as indicated by the class flag and/or placard.
- 10.3. The number for each class will be displayed by placard along with the course to be sailed and the number of the first mark also on placards, on the race committee boat.
- 10.4. Multiple sound signals will be made approximately 1 minute before the first warning signal.
- 10.5. Any boat not starting within 9 minutes of their starting signal will be scored as DNS.

- 10.6. If a class incurs a General Recall, the recalled class starts after all other classes have started. This changes **RRS #29.2**.
- 10.7. If your class is not starting, please stay clear of the starting area.

11. Change of Course after the Start

- 11.1. Any changes to the course will be indicated using flags and sound signals as specified in **RRS #32** and **RRS#33**.
- 11.2. If the direction of the leg will be changed, and the next mark is a numbered fixed course mark as described on the course sheet, then a numeral on a placard will be used instead of a bearing or port and starboard flags. This changes **RRS #33**.
- 11.3. If a class flag or placard is displayed, the change applies only to that class.

12. The Finish

- 12.1. The finish line will be between a white flag on the committee boat and a finishing mark with a white flag. The finish line will be set to the port side of the committee boat.
- 12.2. After finishing, boats shall keep clear of the finishing and starting areas until the next start for their fleet.

13. Time Limit

- 13.1. The leading boat of a class must finish within 2 hours from the start of her class. Boats failing to finish within one (1) hour after the lead boat finishes shall be scored "DNF." This changes **RRS #35**.

14. Protests

- 14.1. Protests shall be filed in writing at Regatta Headquarters within 30 minutes of the Race Committee boat arriving dockside, and the hoisting of Code Flag "B" at the committee boat or at the FLYC Clubhouse. USSA Forms for filing protests will be available at clubhouse. Protest notices will be posted at the FLYC Clubhouse within 30 minutes of the end of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there will be a hearing in which they are parties to a hearing or named as a witness.
- 14.2. The Protest Committee will be made up of individuals who have no vested interest in the outcome of the protest.

15. Scoring

- 15.1. The Low-Point Scoring System, Appendix A, will apply, modified so that each boat's regatta score will be the total of her race scores, and with her worst score discarded if 5 races are sailed for that class.
- 15.2. Open multihull and open centerboard class boats will be scored using the most recent Portsmouth Wind Velocity Handicap numbers (HC) for the average estimated wind velocity of each race. Keel boats competing in a handicap fleet will be scored via PHRF time-on-time method, using the most recent FLYC PHRF class rules. (Please refer to the website at www.flyc.org to procure the PHRF class rules).

16. Safety

- 16.1. Boats requesting assistance will have one crew member clasp hands overhead as the appropriate distress signal. Rescue boats, under the direction of the Race Committee, may ask sailors to leave their boat.
- 16.2. Centerboard and multi-hull racers are required to wear Coast Guard approved PFDs (personal flotation devices) while racing. When Code Flag "Y" is flown from the Race Committee boat, PFDs shall be worn by all competitors while racing. Those not complying will be "DSQ'd." This changes **RRS #40**.

17. Awards

- 17.1. Awards will presented as follows:

4 Starters	1 Trophy
5-7 Starters	2 Trophies
8-10 Starters	3 Trophies
11-15 Starters	4 Trophies
16+ Starters	5 Trophies

- 17.2. The overall CAMELLIA CUP and Division trophies will be awarded using the revised Camellia Matrix, posted on the Regatta Notice board, as per the deed of gift.