



### Rules for Spinnaker Sailing Beer Can Series

The start/finish line is an imaginary line between day mark 20 and the dolphin just off the SW end of wharf 4 same as Sequoia Yacht Club but C5 minutes earlier.

#### Courses

Course 1. (white pennant with red ball)	Start	Yp	-	Finish	6.94 miles
Course 2. (blue pennant with white ball)	Start	12p	-	Finish	7.44 miles
Course 3. (red, white and blue pennant)	Start	3p	-	Finish	5.44 miles
Course 4. (red pennant with white cross)	Start	Sp	-	Finish	8.44 miles
Course 5. (yellow/blue pennant)	Start	Xp	-	Finish	10.94 miles

#### REGULAR SEASON START TIMES

BOAT PHRF	Course 1	Course 2	Course 3	Course 4	Course 5
S 22 234	17:45:00	17:45:00	17:45:00	17:45:00	17:45:00
Cal 24 222	17:46:20	17:46:29	17:46:05	17:46:41	17:47:11
M 25 207	17:52:38	17:53:11	17:50:59	17:54:17	17:57:02
Cat 27 204	17:48:28	17:48:43	17:47:43	17:49:13	17:50:28
J-29 117	17:58:32	17:59:30	17:55:36	18:01:27	18:06:20

#### EXTENDED SEASON START TIMES (Sep 3<sup>rd</sup> - Oct 8<sup>th</sup>)

BOAT PHRF	Course 1	Course 2	Course 3	Course 4	Course 5
S 22 234	17:15:00	17:15:00	17:15:00	17:15:00	17:15:00
Cal 24 222	17:16:20	17:16:29	17:16:05	17:16:41	17:17:11
M 25 207	17:22:38	17:23:11	17:20:59	17:24:17	17:27:02
Cat 27 204	17:18:28	17:18:43	17:17:43	17:19:13	17:20:28
J-29 117	17:28:32	17:29:30	17:25:36	17:031:27	17:36:20

Every skipper is responsible to bring the boat back in the same condition as when received. Any damage to the boat while in the skipper's possession is the skipper's responsibility up to the limits in the charter agreement. Spinnaker Sailing will not arbitrate who's at fault in the event of an accident.

Please note: All government markers and buoys shall be taken on their proper side (no short cuts). If two courses have been called and the second course is course three, all boats racing course three will round Buoy 3 to starboard.

- p indicates that a mark should be rounded to port.
- S/F is an imaginary line between day mark 20 and the dolphin just off the SW end of wharf 4. **\*\***(Please note the new S/F line)
- 3 is a green navigational buoy located at the mouth of the Redwood Creek channel at 37deg 32.99N, 122deg 11.60W
- Y is a yellow barrel approximately 7/8 nautical miles east of the Redwood Creek channel, located at 37deg 33.29N, 122deg 10.73W.
- 12 is a red day mark located at 37deg 33.58N, 122deg 12.64W.
- S is a yellow barrel approximately 1.5 nautical miles north of the entrance to Redwood Creek, located at 37deg 34.46N, 122deg 11.95W
- X is a barrel near the San Mateo bridge in a direct line above Y & S, located at 37deg 35.5N, 122deg 13.2W

### **Sequoia Yacht Club Racing Rules**

SYC Beer Can races are governed by the most current U.S. Sailing's Racing Rules

-Protests: The Beer Can is a no Protest race series. It is designed for fun and fellowship for you and your crew. Friendly discussions of right-of-way rules at the bar following the race are encouraged.

-Decision to race: Conditions are highly variable on the courses available to us, and will often intensify after the course has been called. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is the skipper's alone. Please do not assume that just because a given course has been called that it is safe for your particular boat to navigate that course in the current conditions.

-Motoring Allowance: Motoring is permitted any time it is required for the safety of the vessel involved. All racers are specifically granted a motoring allowance anytime they are passing barges, dredges or ship traffic inside the shipping channel, however, this allowance is to be used for the purpose of safety only, and not to achieve tactical advantage over another racer. Any vessel going aground is permitted to continue racing after using their motor to return to deep water. As soon as it is clear and safe to do so, they must then sail a 360-degree penalty turn in order to exonerate the mistake.

-Disqualifications: Any vessel interfering with shipping traffic is automatically disqualified. Any vessel participating in a collision, regardless of whose fault the collision was, is automatically disqualified.

-Lifejackets: The wearing of suitable personal flotation devices is required for all race participants at all times.

-Radio Channel: Racers shall monitor Channel 69 for racing communication and instructions.

-Race Notices amending these sailing instructions will appear on the race board in Sequoia Yacht Club. A courtesy copy will be provided to Spinnaker Sailing.

-Release and Waiver: A registration and skipper release needs to be signed by all skippers and a crew registration and waiver is required to be signed by all crew to participate in Beer Can racing. Copies will be available at the Club before the race and can also be downloaded off the Sequoia Yacht Club web site. Please turn in completed forms to the Fleet Captain or Fleet Vice Captain.

-Start Times: Each Skipper is responsible for their start time using the start times of these instructions and GPS data. The start times are based on the course sailed and the San Francisco YRA PHRF certificate for your yacht