

Half Moon Bay Yacht Club  
Vice Commodore's Cup Regatta  
16 October 2016  
Sailing Instructions

The HMBYC Standing Sailing Instructions are **modified** as follows for the Vice Commodore's Cup regatta, 16 October 2016.

**4.0 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

NO signals will be made ashore. All visual signals will be made from the Race Committee boat.

**5.0 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

Check-in will open at 0900 in the HMBYC Event Center.  
There will be a mandatory Sailors' Meeting at 1000 in the Event Center.  
The first warning will take place at or about 1100.

There will be two sets of races, before and after a lunch break. All races will use a common course, see 8.0, below.

Two races before lunch (or three if time permits) will be started by class. Each boat/crew's times will be recorded, and an individualized handicap calculated for use in the later races. Visual and audible signals will be provided.

After lunch, one (or two, if time permits) races will be run in a pursuit format. These races will be started using a staggered start for each boat based on the calculated handicaps. Only the first boat's start will be visually and audibly signaled; subsequent boats are responsible for starting in accordance with their handicapped times.

**8.0 THE COURSE**

All races for all classes will use a common course, consisting of the start/finish line, a windward mark plus offset, a reaching mark, and a leeward mark. Each race will consist of one or more start-windward-reaching-leeward-finish progressions, leaving all marks to port. Course 1 will consist of one lap; course 2 will consist of two laps; course 3 will consist of three laps. For courses 2 and 3, the start/finish line will be restricted.

Owing to uncertainty in the forecast winds for the day of the regatta, the course has not yet been set, and may not be finalized until shortly prior to the Sailors' Meeting.

## 16.0 SCORING

Boats in classes of at least 3—Cal-20, e.g.—will compete in the morning races (only) for a class trophy. The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply, except that rule A2 is modified: **no finishes will be excluded.**

All boats will compete in the afternoon races for an overall trophy. It is expected that the calculated handicaps and staggered starts will be sufficient to make all teams mutually competitive. Again, the Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply, with no finishes excluded.

## 17.0 SAFETY

**ALL** boats—not only Cal-20's—shall carry a handheld VHF tuned to the channel specified at the Sailors' Meeting.