

SAN DIEGO ARGONAUTS R/C MODEL BOAT CLUB

Sailing Instructions 2016

1. **RULES:** This regatta (event) will be governed by the “rules” as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) published by United States Sailing Association - 2013-2016.
2. **NOTICE:** The notice of this event and the entry form are part of these instructions.
3. **ENTRANTS:** Each entrant must be a member of AMYA or of the recognized national authority of another country. Each boat entered must be properly registered with the class entered.
4. **AUTHORITY:** The rulings and instructions of the Regatta Director (R/D) shall be the senior authority for conduct of the regatta.
5. **CLASSES:** The class specifications of AMYA shall apply to boats in this event.
6. **TRANSMITTERS:** All transmitters must comply with the regulations of the FCC for radio controlled surface craft. All transmitter antennas longer than 200mm when extended must have eye protection.
7. **COURSES TO BE SAILED:** The course will be selected and set by the R/D and announced at the skippers meeting. Start and finish lines shall be tangent to the course side of the marks. The course established for this event could be changed or shortened verbally by the R/D either prior to the beginning of the starting sequence or at any mark prior to the finish line.
8. **DESCRIPTION OF THE MARKS:** The marks will be described at the skippers’ meeting.
9. **STARTING:** Skippers are expected to keep their boats in a state of readiness to race throughout the event and they are expected to be aware of when they are next to race. If, prior to the one-minute signal, a skipper indicates to the starting official that he is having technical difficulties, the starter may delay the start for up to five minutes. Only one five-minute delay per heat will be allowed. The two-minute audio starting countdown will resume on completion of the delay.
- 9.1 The start sequence will begin by starting a two-minute audible countdown. A boat is racing when the one-minute time signal sounds. A boat scheduled to race in a heat may be launched, held on the bank, taken ashore or relaunched at any time during the heat.
- 9.2 Sail number, or hull color shall identify boats over the line early if the sail number is obstructed. Those over will be hailed twice. When there are a number of boats over early and identification is not possible, a general recall shall be made.
10. **GROUNDING:** A boat aground after the starting signal may be **set** afloat.
11. **FINISHING:** When the finishing order of the boats is apparent, they may be scored to expedite the regatta.
12. **SCORING:** The low point scoring system, RRS Appendix A, will be used with the following changes:
Throw-outs of a skipper’s worst(s) score(s) are allowed as determined by the Race Director (RD). A DSQ can be excluded (can be a throw-out). A DNE cannot be excluded from final score, see RRS Rule 69 and 90.3. Also see A11.

1 st Place	1 Point
2 nd Place	2 Points
3 rd Place	3 Points
Etc.	1 Extra Point for each extra Place
DNS (Did Not Start) and DNF (Did Not Finish)	1 point + number of registered boats in this event.
DNC (Did Not Compete)	2 points + number of registered boats in this event.
DSQ (Disqualified, Minor Infraction)	3 points + number of registered boats in this event. Excludible score.
DNE (Disqualified, Not Excludable – Gross Infraction)	3 points + number of registered boats in this event. NOT Excludable.

13. **RACES PER SKIPPER:** Skippers will be advised at the skippers meeting of the number of heats/races scheduled for the event.
14. **PROTESTS:** A protest for an alleged infraction of the RRS can only be made by skippers involved in or witnessing an incident while racing in that heat/race. In addition to fulfilling the requirements of RRS 61.1 (E6.3) (immediately clearly hailing twice) the skipper shall notify the finishing official of his protest immediately after the race (E6.5 is modified), or 15 minutes after the end of the last race. RRS 61.2 is modified in that the protest need not be in writing.
15. **REDRESS:** RRS rules 62, 64.2, A10, E6.6 and E6.9 apply. The request need not be in writing and is to be made immediately after a race.
16. **CONTROL AREA:** A skipper may control his boat from any position unless the R/D deems it necessary to define a control area.
17. **TIE BREAKING:** RRS rule A8 applies.
18. **MARK JUDGES:** Mark judges shall only call boats touching marks and call no other infractions.
19. **MEASUREMENT INFRACTIONS:** (RRS 78.3) If the infraction is not obvious to the protest committee, the protest will be forwarded, via the club commodore to the class secretary for his adjudication - RRS 65.3.
20. **RULE INTREPRETATION:** Rule 44.1 is modified by Rule E4.3. A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while *racing* or a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken rule 31. The One-Turn shall include one tack and one gibe. A Two-Turn penalty is covered in E4.3 (b). For details see Rules 44.1 and 44.2.
21. **MISCONDUCT:** RRS Rule 69.2 is modified to permit the RD to give 1 warning and upon the 2nd incident disqualify a competitor for a gross infraction either the heat or the event (DNE). Excessive or loud argument or the use of foul language is considered a violation of Rule 69.1 (a)