



BALDWIN YACHT CLUB - RACE COMMITTEE BOAT INSTRUCTIONS

1. Anchor at Start Line location 20 - 30 minutes ahead of "Start" time. The Start Line should be squared up to the first mark.
2. Raise Baldwin Burgee and Race Committee flag.
3. Turn VHF to designated channel for racing communications (Channel 01A).
4. Check race entrants against race sheet provided by Rear Commodore.
5. Give VHF "voice warning" 5 minutes ahead of first prep gun (5 minute air horn)
6. **Give 5 minute air horn 1 long blast and announce over VHF.**
7. **Give 4 minute horn 1 long blast and announce over VHF.**
8. **Give 1 minute horn 1 long blast and announce over VHF.**
9. **Give Start horn 1 long blast and announce over VHF.**
10. Signal "All Clear" if appropriate over VHF. Otherwise, announce over VHF boats that crossed line early. If they do not turn back and restart, mark them down as DNS. It is each skipper's responsibility to know whether he/she has crossed the line in a timely manner and restart if needed.
11. Do whatever you want for the next hour or more. You can leave the start line or stay.
12. Reposition your boat (anchored) at the Finish Line about ½ hour before lead boat is expected back. The Finish Line should be squared to the last mark.
13. As each boat crosses the finish** line, give them a blast on the horn acknowledging their finish and record their time – (hours, minutes & seconds).
14. After last boat has finished and all times are recorded, turn the score sheet over to the Rear Commodore for computations of corrected times and placement order.
15. Retire for proper libations.

Thanks for your help. We couldn't do it without you.

****Definition of "Finish" ISAF World Sailing:**

A boat finishes when any part of her hull, or crew or equipment in normal position, crosses the finishing line from the course side. However, she has not finished if after crossing the finishing line she:

- a) takes a penalty under rule 44.2;
- b) corrects an error under rule 28.2 made at the line; or
- c) continues to sail the course.