

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Organizing Authority is California Yacht Club (CYC), located at 4469 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey, CA 90292

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1. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be posted before 1000 on the day it takes effect.

2. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board which is the [CFJ Nationals](#) webpage. Notices may also be posted on the outside windows of the Gallery Room, downstairs in the CYC clubhouse.

3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole located on the CYC front lawn.

3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than sixty (60) minutes" in RRS Race Signals AP.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

4.1 There will be a competitors' meeting at 0930 on Friday, July 28, at the pool patio adjacent to the Junior Sailing Center.

4.2 Eleven (11) races are scheduled, four (4) each on Friday and Saturday, and three (3) on Sunday. The Race Committee (RC) reserves the right to run more races on Sunday if fewer than the scheduled number of races are completed on Saturday. The RC, at its discretion, may run fewer total races.

4.3 The scheduled time of the first warning signal each day is 1230. Subsequent races will start as soon as practicable. On Sunday, no Warning Signal will be made after 1600.

4.4 The RC may display flag A (with no sound) while boats are finishing to signal that there will be no more races conducted that day.

5. CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be the CFJ Class insignia on a white background.

6. RACING AREA

The racing area will be on Santa Monica Bay. The starting area will be approximately one (1) nautical mile northwest of the Marina del Rey breakwater.

7. MARKS

Marks are described in SI Addendum A.

8. COURSES

Courses are described in SI Addendum A.

9. THE START

9.1 To alert boats that a race will begin soon, multiple sound signals may be made approximately one (1) minute before the warning signal for the first class.

9.2 The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange and white checkered flag on the RC line boat at the port end and the staff displaying an orange and white checkered flag on the RC signal boat at the starboard end (see Attachment A).

9.3 No later than the warning signal for a race, the RC may prohibit the use of spinnakers for that race by flying code flag "G" (yellow and blue vertical stripes) from the RC signal boat.

9.4 A boat that starts more than five (5) minutes after her starting signal shall be scored DNS without a hearing. This change is added to RRS A5.1.

10. CHANGING THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the RC will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with the original mark.

11. THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finishing line will be between the staff of a blue flag on the RC line boat and the staff displaying a blue flag on the RC signal boat (see Attachment A).
- 11.2 Competitors are reminded that RRS 23.1 prohibits a boat that has finished from interfering with boats still racing.

12. TIME LIMIT

- 12.1 The time limit will be sixty (60) minutes for the first boat to finish.
- 12.2 Boats failing to finish within fifteen (15) minutes after the first boat starts, sails the course and finishes will be scored the position of the last boat to finish plus one (1). This changes RRS 35, and is added to A5.1.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for RRS 42, applies with the following changes:
 - (a) in P2.1, First Penalty, the word "first" is deleted;
 - (b) P2.2 and P2.3 are deleted.
- 13.2 On the water observer boats will be identified by code flag "J".

14. HEARING REQUESTS

- 14.1 The protest time limit each day is forty-five (45) minutes after the RC signal boat docks on that day. This time will be posted at the *Protest Time Limit and Hearing Schedule* link located on the [CFJ Nationals](#) webpage no later than fifteen (15) minutes after the RC signal boat docks.
- 14.2 A breach of SI 16, 18, as well as any class rule other than class equipment measurement rules, will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 14.3 RRS 62.2, Redress is modified as follows:
 - (a) The second sentence of RRS 62.2 is replaced with: "If the request is based on an incident in the racing area, it shall be filed within the protest time limit for that day."
 - (b) A notice of boats scored per RRS A5.1 each day will be posted at the *View Starting Penalties* link located on the [CFJ Nationals](#) webpage no later than fifteen (15) minutes after the RC signal boat docks on that day. The deadline for a request for redress based on these scores is the protest time limit for that day.
 - (c) The time limit for a request for redress based on a scoring inquiry (see SI 15.2) is 30 minutes after the results of the scoring inquiry have been posted.
 - (d) On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress based on a Protest Committee decision shall be delivered no later than thirty (30) minutes after the decision was posted.
- 14.4 Hearing request forms are available at the *File a Protest* link located on the [CFJ Nationals](#) webpage.
- 14.5 Notices to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties will be posted no later than fifteen (15) minutes after the protest time limit each day at the *Protest Time Limit and Hearing Schedule* link located on the [CFJ Nationals](#) webpage.
- 14.6 Hearings will be heard as soon as possible in the Gallery Room on the lower level of the CYC clubhouse. Representatives of boats who are parties to a hearing and their witnesses shall remain on call in the vicinity of the Gallery Room.
- 14.7 Only the skipper may represent a boat in a hearing. No coach or other person may represent a boat or file a protest on her behalf.
- 14.8 Protests and requests for redress will be heard in the approximate order of receipt as soon as possible.
- 14.9 US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 do not apply.

15. SCORING

- 15.1 Preliminary results will be posted on the [CFJ Nationals](#) webpage as soon as possible after racing each day.
- 15.2 Competitors shall notify the RC of any scoring errors using the *Submit Scoring Inquiry* link on the [CFJ Nationals](#) webpage. The deadline to file a scoring inquiry is the protest time limit or thirty (30) minutes after the preliminary results have been posted for that day, whichever is later.
- 15.3 When five (5) or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When six (6) to eleven (11) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 Each skipper who launches their boat from CYC must sign-out prior to leaving the dock and sign-in upon return. Each skipper not launching from CYC, each day, shall notify the Event Chair or their representative before leaving their dock and, following the final race of each day, shall notify the Event Chair or their representative as soon as practical to confirm they have returned to their dock (see the General Information section on page 1 for Event Chair contact information).
- 16.2 Prior to the warning signal for the first start each day, when the RC signal boat is displaying Code Flag "L", each competitor shall sail past the stern of the RC signal boat, hail her sail number, and be recognized by the RC. Boats missing their first race may check in upon arrival at the Racing Area. Any boat failing to check-in properly may be given a twenty percent (20%) scoring penalty applied without a hearing to that boat's first valid race of the day. This change is added to RRS A5.1.
- 16.3 [DP] A boat that retires from a race prior to finishing or does not intend to start a scheduled race shall notify the RC either before leaving the racing area or as soon as possible after arriving ashore.

17. DESIGNATED ADULT

- 17.1 An adult (parent, guardian or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of each competitor under the age of eighteen (18). It is solely the responsibility of this adult to decide if the competitor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. The adult supervising the competitor is ultimately responsible for the risks. Additionally, this adult shall accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the event.
- 17.2 [DP] Any parent or guardian not personally attending any part of the event shall provide, during online registration or during Check-in, the name and contact information for the adult who shall be on-site, and who is authorized and designated to be responsible for their child during this event per SI 17.1.
- 17.3 Competitors who are eighteen (18) years or older are responsible for their own actions, and for the decision to sail in weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event.

18. [DP] SUPPORT TEAMS

- 18.1 All Support Person Vessels (SPVs) shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on normal domestic and international channels and monitor VHF channel 68 at all times when on the water.
- 18.2 SPVs shall not enter the racing area from the preparatory signal of a race until the finish of the last boat in that race. However, SPVs may enter the racing area at the direction of the RC to assist a competitor or after a general recall, abandonment or postponement until a new preparatory signal has been made. The racing area shall be as indicated on SI Addendum A and include any other area within one hundred (100) meters of any boat still racing.
- 18.3 SPVs shall neither create wakes nor otherwise interfere with competitors.
- 18.4 SPVs and spectator boats shall not be launched or recovered at CYC while competitors are launching or recovering their boats and must check in with the CYC Dockmaster, [Chase Young](#) (310.823.4567) prior to using the hoist. Alternately, boats may use the public ramp at Dock 52 on Fiji Way and keep the trailers at CYC.

19. RISK STATEMENT

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. By participating in the event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers (organizing authority, host yacht club, race committee, protest committee, sponsors, and any others acting in an official capacity for the event) from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in the event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

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ATTACHMENT A

Course Chart

7. MARKS (continued)

- 7.1. Mark 1 is an orange tetrahedron.
- 7.2. A new windward mark, as provided in SI 10, is a yellow tetrahedron.
- 7.3. Mark 1a (offset mark) will be a small yellow tetrahedron with a black band.
- 7.4. Marks 2s/2p will be orange inflatable tetrahedrons.
- 7.5. Mark R (reaching mark) will be a yellow inflatable tetrahedron

8. COURSES (continued)

- 8.1. An offset mark (Mark 1a) will be used in conjunction with Mark 1. The offset mark will be placed at approximately a right angle to the weather leg.
- 8.2. Marks 1 and 1a shall be rounded to port.
- 8.3. Mark R shall be rounded to port.
- 8.4. Mark 2s/2p is a gate. In the event only one leeward mark is on station, that mark shall be rounded to port.
- 8.5. When the blue finish line flags are displayed from the RC signal boat and RC line boat, the finishing line is restricted to boats finishing.
- 8.6. No later than the warning signal, the RC signal boat will signal the course with numeral placards as shown below:

Course Number	Course
1	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – Finish
2	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish
3	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – Finish
4	Start – 1 – 1a – R – 2s/2p – Finish
5	Start – 1 – 1a – R – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a - Finish

