



INTERNATIONAL 14 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP



August 12-25, 2018

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organizing Authority: Richmond Yacht Club, Point Richmond, California, USA

1 RULES

- 1.1 The notation DP in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the jury, be less than disqualification.
- 1.2 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by World Sailing, Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.3 RRS 40 is deleted and replaced with “Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices.” Note that Code Flag Y will not be displayed.
- 1.4 US Prescriptions are listed in **Attachment A**.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, which is located on the north wall of the Regatta Room at the east end of the first floor of Richmond Yacht Club (RYC). Changes may also be posted on the RYC website.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the yardarm of the mast on the upper deck of the RYC clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 60 minutes” in Race Signals; AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1

Aug. 12	Sign in & Measurement	10:00 - 16:00
Aug. 12-14	Team Racing Event	10:00 – 16:00
Aug. 13- 15	Sign in & Measurement	10:00 – 13:00
Aug. 15	Opening Ceremony/Reception	17:00
Aug. 16	Competitors Briefing	10:30
	Practice race	12:30 warning
Aug. 17	Racing	12:30 warning
Aug. 18	Racing	12:30 warning
Aug. 19	Racing	12:30 warning
Aug. 20	Racing	12:30 warning
Aug. 21	Reserve Day	
Aug. 22	Racing	12:30 warning
Aug. 23	Racing	12:30 warning
Aug. 24	Racing	12:30 warning
Aug. 24	Awards Banquet	18:30
Aug. 25	Load containers	07:30-17:00

5.2 One Race per day is Scheduled.

5.3 There will be a Competitors Briefing August 16, 2018 at 1030 in the RYC upstairs dining room.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flag will be the 14 Class Insignia on a white background.

7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be Between the Potrero Reach breakwater to the north; the bay shore to the east; Treasure Island to the south and Angel Island to the West.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 **Attachment B** shows the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 Courses will be signaled by Numeral Pennants displayed from the Race Committee start boat.

8.3 There may be an Offset Mark “2” set 6-8 boat-lengths from Mark 1. If present, the offset mark is to be passed in sequence as designated in the course descriptions on Attachment B.

9 MARKS

Marks 1, 2, 3, 4 and change marks will be yellow inflatable marks.

The start Marks will be Race Committee Boats displaying orange flags.

10 CHECK-IN

Boats are requested to check in with the race committee by sailing by the start boat, on starboard tack, prior to the first warning signal. Penalty for breach of this rule may at the discretion of the Jury, be less than disqualification. (DP)

11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

- 11.2** The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the start marks.
- 11.3** A boat starting later than 15 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 12** **CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**
To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark. The original mark will be removed as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with the original mark.
- 13** **THE FINISH**
The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and the course side of an orange inflatable mark.
- 14** **PENALTY SYSTEM or ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES**
RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turn is replaced by the One-Turn penalty.
- 15** **TIME LIMITS**
- 15.1** The time limit for each race shall be 3 hours.
- 15.2** Boats failing to finish within 60 minutes after the first boat in the fleet sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 16** **AFTER-RACE SCORING PENALTY**
A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31 while racing may take a penalty after she is no longer racing and prior to the start of a protest hearing involving an incident. Her penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty of 30% calculated as described in RRS 44.3(c), but not more than that of a DNF score. However, if she caused injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach, her penalty shall be to retire.
- 17** **PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**
- 17.1** Protest forms will be available near the official notice board in the clubhouse. Protests shall be delivered to the Jury representative within the protest time limit, which shall be established by the Jury and posted on the Official notice board.
- 17.2** Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties.
Notices of protests by the Race Committee, Jury or Technical Committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 17.3** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2
- 17.4** If the race committee posts a list of boats scored OCS, ZFP, UFD or BFD on the official notice board before the protest time limit, a request for redress based on such posted score shall be made no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 18** **SCORING**
- 18.1** 7 Races are scheduled. 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 18.2** When 6 or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

All competitors shall personally check in at the check board at the top of the North Ramp before going afloat and before the end of protest time after the days racing. Boats leaving the racing area prior to the conclusion of racing are requested to notify the race committee before leaving the course area. (DP)

20 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, boats shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

21 SUPPORT BOATS

21.1 Each private support boat (team leaders, coaches and other support personnel) shall register with the Organizing Authorities before racing begins, and shall, each day upon arriving at the race area, check in with the Race Committee start/finish vessel and provide it with a means of radio identification. From the first warning of any race until it is abandoned or completed, each private support boat shall continuously monitor the race committee working channel, 79, and shall respond immediately to all instructions and requests from the race committee.

21.2 From the time of the first warning of any race until all boats have finished that race, or the race committee signals an abandonment of that race, all private support boats shall leave the racing area, shall (unless requested by the race committee to go to the assistance of a boat in distress) remain at least 50 meters away from the racing area and any competing boat, and shall not communicate in any way with the competitors. The racing area is defined as the area inside the course and within 50 meters of any mark, layline, starting line, finishing line, or any area where any boat that is racing is sailing or may sail. (DP)

21.3 In the case of a general recall or postponement, private support boats may re-enter the course but shall recommence observing 21.2 at the time of the next warning signal. (DP)

22 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded after the racing on Friday August 24, at the Trophy Banquet, to be held at the Richmond Country Club, 1 Markovich Lane Richmond CA, 94806

23 INTERFERENCE WITH COMMERCIAL VESSELS

23.1 Boats shall not impede the passage of commercial vessels and shall comply with USCG Navigation Rules. If a commercial vessel has sounded five blasts, and the vessel or the Coast Guard identifies the boat by sail number, the Race Committee shall protest the boat, in which case the Protest Committee shall assume that the identified boat has impeded passage or violated USCG Navigation Rules, and the identified boat shall have the burden of proving otherwise. In the case of a complaint by a Vessel Traffic or the Coast Guard, the protest time limit shall be extended up to two days after the conclusion of the regatta. This changes RRS 61.3. Compliance with RRS 60.2(a) shall not be required. (DP)

24 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with prior to, during, or after the regatta.

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Attachment A Applicable US Sailing Prescriptions

Rule 34 Change rule 34 title to:

MARK MISSING; RACE COMMITTEE ABSENT

After rule 34 add

US Sailing prescribes that, if a finishing mark is missing but another one remains in place, the finishing line is a line through the remaining mark at a 90° angle to the last leg and of the shortest practicable length. If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report to the race committee her finishing time and her position in relation to nearby boats at the first reasonable opportunity.

Rule 60.3 After rule 60.3 add

US Sailing prescribes that rule 60.3(b) is changed to:

(b) request redress for a boat or call a hearing to consider redress; or

Rule 61.4 Add rule 61.4

61.4 Fees for Protests and Requests for Redress

US Sailing prescribes that no fees shall be charged for protests or requests for redress.

Rule 63.4 After rule 63.4 add

US Sailing prescribes that when practicable:

(a) no person who brings an incident to the attention of the protest committee or who will give evidence regarding an incident shall be a member of the protest committee for a hearing involving that incident; and

(b) a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be heard by a committee that contains no members of the committee that made the original decision.

Rule 67 After rule 67 add

US Sailing prescribes that:

(a) A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.

(b) A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US Sailing appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.

(c) A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.

Rule 70.5(a) After rule 70.5(a) add

US Sailing prescribes that its approval is required. Go to rules.ussailing.org and click the 'No Appeal' link for more information or to obtain approval.

Rule 76.1 After rule 76.1 add

US Sailing prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.

Rule 88.2 After rule 88.2 add

US Sailing prescribes that sailing instructions shall not change or delete rule 61.4, Appendix R, or its prescriptions to rules 40, 60.3, 67, 70.5(a) or 76.1. However, for an international event the prescription to rule 40 may be deleted.

Appendix L At the end of the preamble to Appendix L add

US Sailing Note: US Sailing has produced a guide to simplified sailing instructions suitable for events such as club or local regattas. Go to rules.ussailing.org and click the 'Simple SIs' link to read and download this guide.

Appendix L Add Instruction 5.6

This is a US Sailing prescription. 5.6 Flag A displayed, with no sound, while boats are finishing means 'No more racing today.'

Appendix L Add Instruction 16.9

This is a US Sailing prescription. 16.9 If the race committee posts a list of boats scored OCS, ZFP, UFD or BFD on the official notice board before the protest time limit, a request for redress based on such a posted score shall be made no later than one hour after the protest time limit. This changes rule 62.2.

APPENDIX R - This US Sailing prescription, although required, will not apply by reason of the appointment for this regatta of an international jury in compliance with RRS 91(b) and Appendix N, thereby eliminating the right of appeal from its decisions in accordance with RRS 70.5.

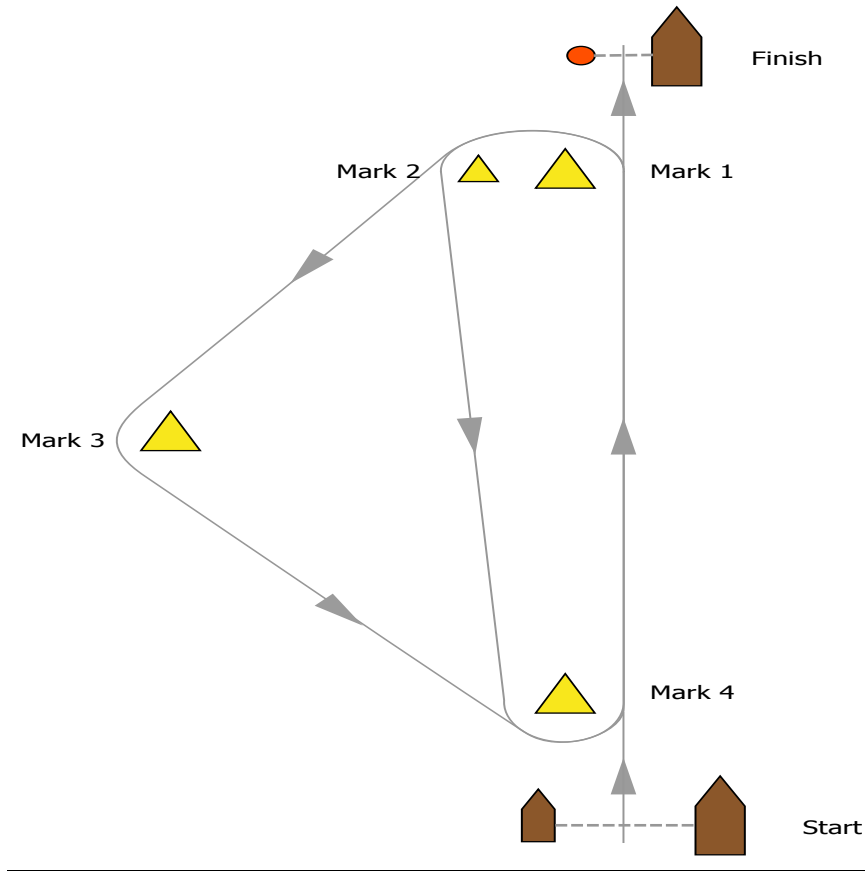


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Attachment B



Courses

	legs	distance
1 - Start - 1 - 2 - 4 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - Finish	6	9.0
2 - Start - 1 - 2 - 4 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 1 - 2 - 4 - Finish	8	12
3 - Start - 1 - 2 - 4 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 1 - 2 - 4 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - Finish	11	16.5

All marks left to Port