



SF BAY WOMEN'S MATCH RACE CLINIC & REGATTA

St. Francis Yacht Club

July 7-9, 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority (OA) will be St. Francis Yacht Club.

2 VENUE

The venue will be the city front waters off the St. Francis Yacht Club, San Francisco, CA, USA.

3 EVENT GRADING

The event has applied for World Sailing (WS) Grade 5. This grading is subject to review by the WS Match Race Rankings Sub-committee. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4 PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

4.1 Schedule

- (a) Registration and weigh-in on Friday 0900 to 1000.
- (b) Clinic instruction Friday 1000 to 1800.
- (c) Friday dinner and talk 1830 to 2000.
- (d) Clinic instruction Saturday 0800 to 1800.
- (e) Saturday dinner and talk 1830 to 2000.
- (f) Competitors' briefing Sunday 0830.
- (g) First attention signal for racing Sunday 1030.
- (h) No warning signal after 1700 hours on Sunday, July 9th.
- (i) Prize giving will follow racing on Sunday after racing.

4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:

- (a) Clinic instruction.
- (b) Sunday Competitors' briefing.
- (c) Prize giving.

5 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY FOR RACING

- 5.1** Nine skippers will be registered as the event's racing skippers at the Sunday competitors' briefing.
- 5.2** Only skippers participating on the clinic days of this event will be eligible to race in the Sunday regatta.
- 5.3** The registered racing skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- 5.4** All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing regulation 19.2.
- 5.5** All competitors shall obtain a WS Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Skippers shall inform the OA of their WS Sailor ID before racing.

6 ENTRIES

- 6.1** There are 36 spots available with priority given to nine skippers. Interested parties are encouraged to apply as complete teams of four, or as pairs including one skipper/tactician-type and one trimmer/bow-type. However, individuals are welcome to apply as well.

- 6.2 Online applications will open at 1200 on April 14th at www.stfyc.com.
- 6.3 The skipper shall be entered on completion of all registration requirements.
- 6.4 Participation in the clinic and regatta requires payment of a non-refundable entry fee of US \$95 per person (or \$380 per team).
- 6.5 When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within two months of the event or leaves the event before the end without written approval from the OA, a zero score may be applied by WS to their Ranking Points for that event. World Sailing Regulation 27.2.
- 6.6 Damage deposit
 - (a) An initial damage deposit of US \$1,500 shall be paid at registration by skippers, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by a skipper as a result of any one incident when they are at the helm.
 - (b) In the event a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it will require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper is permitted to continue in the event.
 - (c) Any deposit remaining after the event will be refunded within 30 days of event completion.

7 RULES

- 7.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS and including Appendix C.
- 7.2 The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules will not apply.
- 7.3 US Sailing Prescriptions to Rules 60, 63.2 and 63.4 will not apply.
- 7.4 Alterations to the RRS:
 - (a) Add to RRS 41: (e) help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member, provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.
 - (b) RRS C8.6 and C6.3 will be changed in the SI.
- 7.5 In the event of a conflict between the NOR and the SI, the SI shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 7.6 The OA reserves the right to amend this NOR. Any amendments to the NOR shall be posted at www.stfyc.com.

8 BOATS AND SAILS

- 8.1 The event will be sailed in J/22 type boats.
- 8.2 Eight to ten boats will be provided.
- 8.3 The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Jib and Spinnaker.
- 8.4 Boats will be assigned by draw on the race day.

9 CREW

- 9.1 There shall be a minimum of four (4) crew on each boat.
- 9.2 The crew, including skipper, shall be a maximum weight of 600 lb or 272 kg when wearing at least shorts and shirt.
- 9.3 Crew shall complete weigh-in at registration. No further weigh-in shall be required, except for substitute crew.
- 9.4 If a registered skipper is unable to continue the event, the OA may assign another crewmember to substitute.
- 9.5 If a crewmember is unable to continue the event, the OA may authorize a temporary or permanent replacement.

10 EVENT FORMAT

- 10.1 The event will consist of one stage: Single Round Robin
- 10.2 The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round when conditions do not allow completion of the intended format.

11 COURSE

- 11.1 The course will be windward-leeward with starboard or port roundings finishing downwind.
- 11.2 Offset marks may be used in adverse tidal conditions as needed.
- 11.3 The intended course area is the San Francisco Bay City Front.

12 ADVERTISING

- 12.1 All boats and equipment will be supplied by the OA. WS Regulation 20.4 applies. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.
- 12.2 Competitors will not be required to wear clothing or a logo of an event sponsor while racing or at an official function.
- 12.3 Competitors may be permitted to display advertising ashore at the venue, but this is subject to individual negotiation with the OA.
- 12.4 Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for infringements of any rules regarding advertising. This changes RRS 60.1.

13 PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded to the top three teams.

14 COACHING

- 14.1 During Sunday's racing, there will be on the water coaching provided by the OA.
- 14.2 Coaches will limit coaching to teams while they are not racing, in between flights.
- 14.3 Coaches will make best efforts to not interfere with the racing or event organization.

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

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