

THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB



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BAYS Summer Series #3 **August 2-3, 2025**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

(NOR attached at end of SIs)

1 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1.1 Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board. Changes may be announced and posted immediately after the competitors' meeting at 0930 hours on Saturday. On Sunday, any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1000 hours, with the exception of changes to the racing schedule, which will be posted by 1800 on Saturday.
- 1.2 Instructions to the Opti Green fleet, CFJ, and RS Tera fleet will be made orally on the water by the signal boat.

2 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board.
- 2.2 The NOR, SIs, and amendments thereto will also be posted online at www.sfyc.org
- 2.3 The race committee may use VHF USA channel 65A to communicate information about the races.
- 2.4 The race committee will attempt to hail boats observed OCS at the start. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, the hail of some but not all OCS boats, the untimely hail of some or all OCS boats, or failure to hail any or all boats shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagstaff near the Youth Dock.
- 3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore it means "The race is postponed. Do not leave the harbor." When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 40 minutes' in Race Signal 'AP.'

4 CLASS FLAGS

The class flags for the outside course will be:
C420 - numeral pennant 1
Laser Radial - numeral pennant 2

The Opti Green fleet, CFJ, and RS Tera fleet will not have class flags and will use RRS Appendix U (Audible-Signal Racing System) for starts.

5 COURSES

- 5.1 The diagram and course descriptions on the attached course chart show the courses including the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 5.2 The race committee boat will display a numerical course placard, except for the Opti Green, CFJ, and RS Tera fleets whose course selection will be made orally.

5.3 [DP] Boats that have finished, or not yet started, shall stay well clear of all boats racing.

6 MARKS

6.1 The marks will be red inflatable marks.

6.2 The marks for Opti Green Fleet, CFJs, and RS Teras, will be orange balls.

7 THE START

7.1 The starting line will be between a staff or halyard from which an orange flag is displayed on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end, and a yellow inflatable buoy at the port end.

7.2 A boat shall not start later than 4 minutes after her starting signal.

7.3 The starting line port end for the Opti Green fleet, and RS Teras, will be a white ball.

8 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the position of the next mark, the race committee may move a mark not yet rounded (or move the finishing line). Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated without further signaling to maintain the course configuration.

9 THE FINISH

9.1 The finishing line will be between an orange ball, on the opposite side of the race committee signal boat from the starting mark, and a staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat.

9.2 The finishing line for the Opti Green Fleet, CFJ, and RS Teras, will be the same as the starting line.

10 TIME LIMIT

The time limit will be 60 minutes for the first boat to sail the course and finish. Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes rule RRS 35.

11 HEARING REQUESTS

11.1 The protest time limit is one hour after the RC docks each day of racing.

11.2 Hearing requests shall be created and submitted to the Race Office.

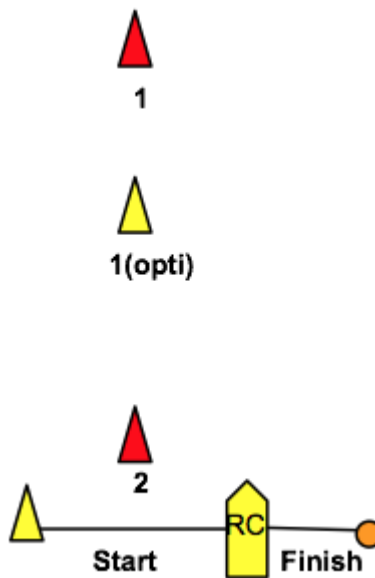
12 SAFETY

12.1 **Each competitor shall wear correctly fitted USCG approved lifejackets**, properly secured at all times while on the water.

12.2 If a competitor leaves the racing area before the end of racing each day, he/she shall notify the race committee or a support boat before retiring. If someone is unable to notify the race committee afloat, they shall notify a safety person ashore before leaving the harbor area.

12.3 Equipment and boat safety checks may be made ashore.

COURSE CHART



Marks 1, 1 (opti), and 2 are rounding marks, and shall be left to port.

COURSES

- 2.) Start-1-Finish
- 4.) Start-1-2-1-Finish
- 6.) Start-1-2-1-2-1-Finish

----- End of Sailing Instructions -----

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority: The San Francisco Yacht Club, Belvedere, California

1 RULES

- 1.1 This event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 All participants in this regatta shall wear a US Coast Guard approved personal flotation device (PFD) at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while adding or removing other clothing. Violation of this rule will result in a protest by the race committee, resulting in a protest committee decision up to disqualification from the entire regatta.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available by 1600 hours on July 30 on the website, www.sfyc.org. There will be no printed SIs provided.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board is located on the wall next to the SFYC Youth Classroom. Notices will also be posted online at www.sfyc.org.
- 3.2 On the water the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to coaches on VHF radio channel USA 65A.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to the following classes: 29er, C420, CFJ, RS Tera, RS Feva, Laser Radial, Optimist Championship, Optimist Green. Sailors shall meet the eligibility requirements of the 2024 BAYS Summer Series Notice of Series.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration found at bayareayouthsailing.org. **Registrations are not complete until they have been paid and a sail number listed (except opti green fleet). There will be NO ON-SITE registration or Check In. Sailors needing to provide sailing numbers should proceed to the SFYC Race Office north of the Youth Classroom and restrooms.**
- 4.3 **Competitors shall enter their sail numbers into the Clubspot registration platform no later than 1700 hours on August 1. Boats (except opti green fleet) without sail numbers after this time will be charged a \$50 late fee before they will be scored. "Sail number changes" requested after this deadline and prior to racing will incur a \$20 processing fee before they are entered and scored (except opti green fleet).**
- 4.4 **No entries will be accepted after 1700 hours on August 1.**
- 4.5 If fewer than 5 boats register in a class that class may be combined with another class' start, and scored separately.

5 FEES

The entry fee is \$50 per sailor, if received by 1600 hours on July 30. A \$20 late fee will be charged after that time.

6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 There will be a Competitors' Meeting at 1000 hours on Saturday. A Green Fleet, CFJ and RS Tera meeting will follow the main Meeting.
- 6.2 Saturday – 3 races are scheduled for "outside" classes, with the first warning signal at 1200 hours. Sunday – 3 races are scheduled for "outside" classes, with the first warning signal at 1200 hours. No warning signal will be made after 1530 hours.
- 6.4 The Optimist Green Fleet, CFJ and RS Tera will have their own schedule and number of races, determined by their PRO and based on conditions.

7 VENUE

- 7.1 The main “outside” racing area will be in the vicinity of Southampton Shoals and/or the Berkeley Olympic Circle.
- 7.2 The Optimist Green Fleet, CFJ and RS Tera classes will race in Belvedere Cove.

8 COURSES

The courses will be windward/leeward type and will be described in the sailing instructions. All marks will be inflatable buoys.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 Two races must be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores. When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 10.1 Support person vessels should carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on USA channels.
- 10.2 Coaches and other support persons shall not communicate with sailors from their preparatory signal until they finish the race, except in an emergency.
- 10.3 Powerboats shall stay off the racecourse except in an emergency or when assisting a competitor in need.

11 RISK STATEMENT

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk and subject to the terms and conditions of the SFYC liability waiver.

RRS 3 states: ‘The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.’ By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

12 PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded as follows:

- Optimist Green - all competitors
- 29er - top 2
- C420 - top 3
- Optimist Champs - top 3
- Laser Radial, RS Feva and RS Tera - top 2
- Optimist White, Blue, Red - top 3
- CFJ - top 3

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

SFYC Race Office: Helen Galli, 415-789-5647, race@sfyc.org
PRO: Forrest Gay, forrest@sfyc.org

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SOCIAL EVENTS AND SPECIAL CLUB RULES

- There will be a BBQ after racing on Saturday at the Cove House. Sailors’ entry fee covers their food, \$20 per non-sailor, payable at the event. Snacks and sodas served after racing on Sunday in

the Cove House. Trophies will be awarded in the Cove House on Sunday.

- All competitors and family members must also abide by any special Club rules in effect, while on Club property (ie: docks, parking lot, clubhouse/deck, etc).

PARKING

Parking in the SFYC lot will be restricted during the regatta to SFYC Members only. Trailers may be kept in the lot at the direction of SFYC staff.