



# U.S. Men's Sailing Championship For the Clifford D. Mallory Cup

September 16-20, 2008

**Organizing Authority: US SAILING**  
**Hosted by: The San Francisco Yacht Club**  
**Belvedere, CA**  
**Sponsored by: Rolex Watch U.S.A., Inc.**  
**And Dry Creek Vineyard**

## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined by the 2005 – 2008 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the current [US SAILING Championship Conditions for the U.S. Men's Sailing Championship and its Eliminations](#).
- 1.2 The Chairman and the Area Representatives of the U.S. Men's Sailing Championship Committee administer the Championship Event.
- 1.3 The International J/24 Class rules will be used, except that RRS 60.1 (a) is changed to prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of a class rule requiring class membership or requiring equipment aboard while racing. Class weight limits will apply.
- 1.4 J/24 Class Rules will be changed to be consistent with the "US SAILING Championship Conditions." All changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND CREW

- 2.1 The boat to be used will be the J/24. Boats will be provided by The San Francisco Yacht Club and J/24 Fleet 17. Number of crew shall be four (4) including the helmsman.
- 2.2 All competitors, including alternates, must be
  - 2.2.1 Men or women who have reached age 18 or over in the calendar year 2008.
  - 2.2.2 Members of US SAILING, and
    - 2.2.2.1 A Yacht Club (YC) belonging to a Regional Sailing Association (RSA) recognized by US SAILING, or
    - 2.2.2.2 A Club belonging directly to US SAILING, or
    - 2.2.2.3 A Community Sailing Program (CSP) or other sailing organization which is a member of the local RSA and US SAILING
  - 2.2.3 Members of a team do not have to be members of the same YC or CSP. Refer also to Paragraph 4.1 of the [Championship Conditions](#).
- 2.3 The selection process for competitors shall be by sailing elimination ladder events progressing from the club level through the RSA, Area competition, and to the National Championship. Some entries may be selected by resume, but only after each Area has had an opportunity to send a finalist from the ladder eliminations. In the event that an elimination is not held, resumes may be submitted per 2.4.
- 2.4 In the event that a competitor wishes to apply by resume, they must submit a resume form with a non-refundable application fee of \$50 to [www.ussailing.org/championship/adult/usmsc](http://www.ussailing.org/championship/adult/usmsc) **no later than August 11**. Successful candidates will be notified by August 16.

2.5 The helmsman shall be male.

### 3. FEES

Entry Fee	\$650.00 (includes Borrowed Boat Insurance Premium) payable by credit card at <a href="http://www.ussailing.org/championships/adult/usmsc">http://www.ussailing.org/championships/adult/usmsc</a>
Damage Deposit	\$250.00 (Separate Check payable to The San Francisco Yacht Club)

### 4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### Dates:

#### Monday, September 15

1600-2000 Check in for early arrivals

#### Tuesday, September 16

0800-2000 Check in

1100-1200 Lunch

1200-1730 Boats available for practice

1355 Warning Signal, Practice start, additional practice races to immediately follow.

1730 Competitors meeting, boat draw

1830 Commodore's Reception

#### Wednesday, September 17

0800-0900 Breakfast

1000 Tow out

1125 Warning, First race of the day, additional races to follow as required

1830 Dinner

#### Thursday, September 18

0800-0900 Breakfast

1000 Tow out

1125 Warning, First race of the day, additional races to follow as required

1830 Free night

#### Friday, September 19

0800-0900 Breakfast

1000 Tow out

1125 Warning, First race of the day, additional races to follow as required

1830 Dinner

#### Saturday, September 20

0800-0900 Breakfast

1000 Tow out

1125 Warning, First race of the day, additional races to follow as required

1800 Awards Banquet and dinner

### 5. REGISTRATION

- 5.1 The official entry form shall be used at the Regional Sailing Association, Area, and National levels of this ladder.
- 5.2 Competitors shall register in advance by completing the entry form online, use the link below, **no later than August 26, 2008.** <http://www.ussailing.org/championships/adult/usmsc/>
- 5.3 No entry fees will be refunded after September 2, 2008, unless a replacement team can be found.

## 6. HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION

- 6.1 The San Francisco Yacht Club will provide housing for competitors only from September 15 to September 20, for competitors who make their needs known by September 2, 2007. After September 2, The San Francisco Yacht Club will make every attempt to arrange housing but cannot guarantee it. In the event that a team prefers other accommodations there are many hotels within a short distance and information will be made available.
- 6.2 Bay Area airports for arrival include: San Francisco (25 miles) and Oakland (25 miles)

## 7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be posted in draft form on the Regatta website (<http://www.ussailing.org/championships/adult/usmsc/>) by September 2, 2008. Final Sailing Instructions and Notice of Race will be available at Check-In.

## 8. NUMBER OF RACES

- 8.1 The Regatta will be conducted using a round-robin format. If possible, each skipper/team will race in each boat one (1) time.
- 8.2 The number of races will be determined by the final number of entries according to the Conditions.
- 8.3 Three (3) races constitute a regatta.

## 9. RACING AREA AND COURSES

- 9.1 Racing area will be in the vicinity of the Berkeley Olympic Circle in San Francisco Bay.
- 9.2 Courses will be windward/leeward.

## 10. SCORING

- 10.1 Appendix A2 is modified such that all races will be scored for this event.

## 11. SAFETY

- 11.1 Competitors in US SAILING championships or qualifiers for US SAILING championships shall wear a U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) approved personal floatation device (PFD) while on the water, other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing.
- 11.2 A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee vessel before leaving the course, or when that is impossible, the Race Office immediately after arrival ashore.

## 12. PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

- 12.1 For adult US SAILING championship events, no competitor shall use, either on or off the water: marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841.
- 12.2 For junior or youth competitors in any US SAILING championship, no participant or competitor shall use, either on or off the water: marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in chapter 51 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use).
- 12.3 An alleged breach of one of these regulations shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when the protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached one of these regulations, it will follow the process described in racing rule 69.1, and a competitor found to have breached one of these regulations shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. The competitor shall be disqualified from all races of the series.

## 13. PRIZES

- 13.1 The winning team will receive the **Clifford D. Mallory Trophy** which they shall have appropriately engraved and may hold until the following year's Championship.

- 13.2 The **Staton J. Peele, Jr. Sportsmanship Trophy** will be awarded to the skipper or crew who best exemplifies sportsmanship both on and off the water. The winner of this perpetual award shall have it appropriately engraved and may hold it until next year's Championship.
- 13.3 **The Royal Victoria Yacht Club Seamanship Trophy** will be awarded to the team exhibiting the best seamanship during the national event. The winner of this perpetual award shall have it appropriately engraved and may hold it until next year's Championship.
- 13.4 **US SAILING medals** will be awarded to the skipper and crews finishing in the top three (3) positions.

#### 14. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 14.1 Contact Bill Ross, the National Representative for the U.S. Men's Sailing Championship, [wbross1@alltel.net](mailto:wbross1@alltel.net), 178 Woodstream Cir. Mooresville, NC 28117; phone 704-664-9511, fax 704-664-9567
- 14.2 Liz Walker, Championships Director; [lizwalker@ussailing.org](mailto:lizwalker@ussailing.org); US SAILING, PO Box 1260 Portsmouth, RI 02871; phone: 401-683-0800 ext. 651
- 14.3 For qualifying events, please refer to the information posted under Area Qualifiers at <http://ussailing.org/championships/eliminations.asp?championship=1>

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