



NOTICE OF RACE
2017 International Women's Keelboat
Championship
For Bengt Julin Trophy

August 14-19 2017
Valle de Bravo, Estado de Mexico, MEXICO
Organizing Authority (OA): US Sailing
Host: Club de Vela La Peña A.C.

Event website:

<http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/iwkc/>

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 For following additional documents will govern the event:
 - (a) US Sailing Regulation 10 (Championships and other US Sailing events), available online at: <http://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/DARoot/Bylaws/RegsAmended2015-06-22.pdf>,
 - (b) World Sailing Addendum Q, Umpired Fleet Racing, available through download online at: [http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/AddendumQversion20130121-\[18580\].doc](http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/AddendumQversion20130121-[18580].doc), and
 - (c) Rules for Handling Boats, to be published on the event website.
- 1.3 The Prescriptions of the Federacion Mexicana de Vela will not apply.
- 1.4 RRS 40 is replaced with: "All competitors shall wear a personal flotation device (PFD) while on the water, other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. The PFD shall comply with the specifications for personal flotation devices that the boat is required to carry. If more than one specification applies, the personal flotation device worn shall comply with the highest of them."
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.6 Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

2 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. [DP].



3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The event is open to teams of up to four (4) women from clubs affiliated to their country's member national authority.
- 3.2 All crew are expected to race all races. The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency. When a registered crew including the skipper is unable to continue in the event, the jury may authorize a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.
- 3.3 A maximum of twenty (20) teams will be entered. Only teams invited by the OA will be eligible to enter.
- 3.4 Eligible teams may request an invitation by paying the application fee and completing the on-line registration process at: [Resume Application](#)
- 3.5 The OA will invite teams based on applications received by midnight US Eastern Time (ET) June 1, 2017. If resumes are comparable, the application received first will be invited.
- 3.6 Invited teams may enter the regatta by paying the entire remaining entry fee within 48 hours after receiving the invitation.
- 3.7 Applications received after June 1 may be invited at the discretion of the OA.
- 3.8 No later than one week prior to the event, each team shall provide the OA with the following details of the crew: role (helm/skipper, crew), name, country, WS sailor ID, e-mail address. Team captains and one other team member shall also provide a mobile phone number that will be accessible during the event.

4 FEES

- 4.1 The application fee is US\$ 500. This fee is part of the entry fee and must be paid during initial online registration.
- 4.2 The full entry fee for applications received by May 19, 2017 is US\$ 1500 per team. The entry fee for applications received after midnight US Eastern Time (ET) May 19, 2017 is US\$ 2500 per team.
- 4.3 The entry fee includes use of OA provided boat, insurance, and admission for all social activities for competing teams.
- 4.4 The entry fee will be refunded for any team that applies but is not invited by the OA, declines an invitation, or withdraws prior to midnight ET June 15, 2017.
- 4.5 Coaches, support personnel and guests may purchase tickets for social activities for US\$ 125.
- 4.6 Damage deposit. Each team will be required to pay an initial damage deposit of US\$ 1000 during onsite registration. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident. If a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event. Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 10 days after the event.



5 SCHEDULE

Date	Time (ET)	Activity
Sunday, August 13	0900 to 1600	Onsite registration
Monday, August 14	0800 to 1100 1300	Onsite Registration Warning signal for practice racing
Tuesday, August 15 through Friday, August 18	1100	The first warning signal of the day
Friday, August 18	1500 after racing	Latest warning signal Award Ceremony

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at registration and online at the event website.

7 VENUE

- 7.1 The venue will be the Club de Vela La Peña A.C., Valle de Bravo, Estado de Mexico, MEXICO.
- 7.2 The racing area (see NoR Attachment A) will be Valle de Bravo.

8 EVENT FORMAT

- 8.1 The event will consist of short, umpired fleet racing using windward/leeward course including a qualifying series and a finals series. Further details will be provided in the sailing instructions.
- 8.2 The event will be sailed in J/70s boats. The J/70 class rules will not apply.
- 8.3 Ten (10) boats will be provided by the OA. Each boat will be provided with a mainsail, jib, and spinnaker. The race committee will allocate boats to the teams.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 The scoring system will be in accordance with RRS Appendix A as modified by the sailing instructions.

10 SUPPORT BOATS

- 10.1 Registered coaching and support boats will be permitted. Coaches will be required to obey the sailing instructions and instructions from the OA, race committee, or jury. If a coach fails to do so, the OA will have the authority to remove the coach's credentials, ban the coach from the venue, and prohibit the coach from communicating with boats on the water.
- 10.2 Support boats shall be marked with flags provided by the OA. A refundable deposit of US\$ 75 shall be paid during on-site registration.
- 10.3 Arrangements for launching and storing support boats at Club de Vela La Peña A.C. can be made for a fee by contacting the regatta chairman.

11 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. Competitors are encouraged to bring a VHF radio. The race committee intends to use VHF radio to communicate with boats on the water.



12 PRIZES

- 12.1 Prizes for 1st through 5th place overall will be awarded to skippers and crews.
- 12.2 The winner's name will be engraved on the Bengt Julin Trophy.
- 12.3 The top US team will represent the USA at the Sailing League Worlds Qualifiers in 2018.
- 12.4 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

13 PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES (Per US Sailing Regulation 10.01.C.4)

- 13.1 For adult US Sailing championship events, no competitor shall use or possess, either on or off the water: marijuana or any other substance if possession is illegal under state or federal law.
- 13.2 For Junior and Youth events or 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).
- 13.3 An alleged breach of this requirement shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when the protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached the above requirement, it shall follow the process described in the Championships' Code of Conduct, which all sailors must sign and if under 18 years of age, their parent or guardian.

14 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.

15 MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors, coaches and support personnel give absolute right and permission to Mexican Sailing Federation and Club de Vela La Peña A.C. for the use and publication of any photography, video footage or audio recordings taken during the event.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

Event website: <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/iwkc/>

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NOR ATTACHMENT A - Racing Area (Valle de Bravo)

