



THE UNITED STATES ADULT SAILING CHAMPIONSHIP

For the Clifford D. Mallory Trophy
Organizing Authority: US Sailing
Hosted by: St. Petersburg Yacht Club
November 9-12, 2017

NOTICE OF RACE **posted April 21, 2017**

1 RULES

- 1.1** The National Finals as well as all qualifying events if held will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the US Sailing Championship Conditions, the current US Sailing Adult Championship Conditions for the US Adult Sailing Championship, US Sailing Regulation 2, 10, 14 and 15 and US Sailings Safe Sport Handbook and Code of Conduct.
- 1.2** The National Chairman and the Adult Championship Chair administer the Championship Event.
 - a. This Championship is not being conducted as a sanctioned or class association event.
 - b. US Sailing encourages sailors to join the J/70 Class Association to support their efforts.
- 1.3** Attachment A will apply, Boat Handling and Equipment rules shall apply.
- 1.4** On the water umpiring by a modified Addendum Q shall apply.
- 1.5** RRS 40 is changed as follows: Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices while racing, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. US Sailing Regulation 10
- 1.6** The Organizing Authority for the event is US Sailing.

2 ADVERTISING

Boats shall be required to display advertising in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20 chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND CREW

- 3.1** Membership in US Sailing is required at all levels of competition for all competitors and the clubs they represent. Participants must turn 19 in the calendar year of the event.
- 3.2** Boats & Crews: The boat for the U.S. Adult Sailing Championship will be a supplied J/70-type boat. The number of crew for the event shall be four (4) including the helmsperson.
- 3.3** Crew Weighing: The total weight of the crew, including the skipper, dressed in at least shorts and shirts, shall not exceed 350kg, determined at the time of registration or such time as required by the RC.
- 3.4** Eligibility Conditions: Entrants may refer to Eligibility in the Conditions located on the event website:
<http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/adultchamps/>
- 3.5** The selection process for all competitors at the Finals level is described on the event website.
<http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/adultchamps/>

4 REGISTRATION AND ENTRY FEE

- 4.1** The entry fee is \$400, (\$50 with application, balance of \$350 upon final registration).
- 4.2** Resume Entry
 - a. Entries shall be selected as described in Section 2 of the U.S. Adult Championship Conditions. Each RSA may submit ONE entry. The host club may submit an entry which will also represent its RSA.
 - b. RSA's or their delegates must submit a resume by **September 5, 2017** with the application fee.
<http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/adultchamps/>

- c. Successful teams (maximum of 20) shall be notified on or before September 15th and shall register online no later than October 15th at the event website <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/adultchamps/>
- d. Entries not invited by September 15th will be kept on a priority wait list and will be contacted in the order determined by US Sailing if any of the initial entrants are unable to attend.

4.3 Entries received on or after October 15th and prior to the October 15th deadline will incur an additional fee of \$75.

4.4 An entry is not considered complete until the online entry form and fee are received.

4.5 Damage Deposit

- a) An initial deposit of USD \$1,500 US shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA.
- b) In the event of 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
- c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded 30 days after the event, minus the costs of any yacht damage or other costs incurred and left unpaid, for which the OA deems the skipper to be responsible.

4.6 Refund: If a selected team is unable to attend the event and has paid its entry fees it may request a refund only if a replacement team is found by **October 15th**.

5 SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
Wednesday November 8th	1100-1700	Check In
	1200-1700	Boats Available for Practice
Thursday November 9th	0800-0845	Late Check In
	0900	Competitor's Meeting
	1000	First Warning
Friday November 10th	<i>After racing</i>	Social at SPYC
	1100	First Warning
Saturday November 11th	<i>After racing</i>	Dinner at SPYC
	1100	First Warning
Sunday November 12th	1100	First Warning
	<i>After racing</i>	Social & Awards at SPYC

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Preliminary Sailing Instructions may be available online at the event website.
<http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/adultchamps/>

8 NUMBER OF RACES

- 8.1** The regatta will be conducted using a round-robin format.
- 8.2** Three completed races will constitute a series.

9 RACING AREA

The intended racing area will be set on the St Petersburg City Front.

10 SCORING

Each boat's series score will be the sum of her scores for all races. This changes Appendix A2.

11 SAFETY

A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee vessel before leaving the course, or when that is impossible, the SPYC Race Office immediately after arrival ashore.

12 COACHING

This is a Grade 3 event as defined by US Sailing's Coaching and Support Boat Policy.

http://championships.ussailing.org/Adult/Coaching_and_Support_Vessels.htm . No private coaching of any competitor while on the water shall be permitted.

13 PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

13.1 Per US Sailing Regulation 10.01 C1. For Adult US Sailing Championship events, no competitor shall use, either on or off the water: marijuana or any other controlled substance

13.2 For junior or youth competitors in any US Sailing championship, no participant or competitor shall use or possess, either on or off the water:

- a. Marijuana or any other substance if possession is illegal under state or federal law.
- b. Any alcoholic beverages.

13.3 Per US Sailing Regulation 10.01 C3. 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 the Code of Conduct 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's boat shall be disqualified from all races of the series.

14 PRIZES

14.1 The first place team will be presented the **Clifford D. Mallory Trophy and will receive an invitation to the Sailing Champions League World Qualifier. US Sailing medals will be awarded to the top three boats**

14.2 The **Royal Victoria Trophy** will be awarded for excellence in Seamanship.

14.3 The **Staton J. Peele, Jr. Trophy** voted upon by the sailors is awarded for Sportsmanship.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

Event Website: <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/adultchamps/>

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Information on housing and rooms blocks can be found on the host website a www.spyc.org

**ATTACHMENT A
BOAT HANDLING AND EQUIPMENT RULES**

1 Prohibited Items and Actions

Except in an emergency or in order to prevent damage or injury, or when directed by the OA, RC or an umpire otherwise, the following are prohibited:

- 1.1 Any additions, omissions or alterations to the equipment supplied.
- 1.2 Using any equipment for a purpose other than that intended or specifically permitted.
- 1.3 Replacing any equipment without the sanction of the RC.
- 1.4 Sailing the boat in a manner that it is reasonable to predict that significant further damage would result.
- 1.5 Moving equipment from its normal stowage position except when being used.
- 1.6 Boarding a boat without prior permission.
- 1.7 Taking a boat from its berth or mooring without having paid the required damage deposit or having permission from the RC, or, on race days, while 'AP' is displayed ashore.
- 1.8 Hauling out a boat or cleaning surfaces below the waterline.
- 1.9 Attaching lines to the fabric of spinnakers.
- 1.10 Perforating sails, even to attach tell tales.
- 1.11 Adjusting or altering the tension of standing rigging, excluding the backstay.
- 1.12 Using a winch to adjust the mainsheet, backstay or boomvang.
- 1.13 Using a reef line as an outhaul.
- 1.14 Using electronic instruments other than compass and watches.
- 1.15 Using the spinnaker pole to wing out the foresail.
- 1.16 Marking directly on the hull or deck with permanent ink.
- 1.17 Using the shrouds (including any inner shrouds) above the lower turnbuckle to facilitate tacking or gybing, or to aid the projection of a crewmember outboard.

2 Permitted Items and Actions

The following are permitted.

- 2.1 Taking on board the following equipment:
 - (a) basic hand tools;
 - (b) adhesive tape;
 - (c) line (elastic or otherwise of 4 mm diameter or less);
 - (d) marking pencils;
 - (e) tell tale material;
 - (f) watch, timers and hand held compass;
 - (g) shackles and clevis pins;
 - (h) velcro tape;
 - (i) spare flags; and
 - (j) VHF radio.
- 2.2 Using the items in 2.1 to:
 - (a) prevent fouling of lines, sails and sheets;
 - (b) attach tell tales;
 - (c) prevent sails being damaged or falling overboard;
 - (d) mark control settings;
 - (e) make minor repairs and permitted adjustments;
 - (f) make signals as per RRS Appendix C6; and
 - (g) use the VHF to receive instructions from the RC or to contact the RC.
- 2.3 Changing the number of mainsheet purchases.

3 Mandatory Items and Actions

The following are mandatory.

- 3.1 The completion of a written damage report before leaving a boat and submitting it to the RC, even if no damage or loss is recorded. Reports shall include any evidence of matters which could cause damage or disadvantage to the boat in future races.
- 3.2 At the end of each sailing day:
 - (a) rolling, bagging and placement of the sails as directed
 - (b) leaving the boat in the same state of cleanliness as when first boarded that day
 - (c) using backstay control lines under slight tension to secure tiller
- 3.3 At the end of each day, cleaning the boat (cabin and decks), removing all trash and removing all marks and tape except tape applied to turnbuckles and for chafe protection.
- 3.4 Any request to alter, in any way, the equipment on a boat shall be in writing to the Organizing Authority and worded to permit a yes/no answer.
- 3.5 A breach of items 3.2 and 3.3 will be considered as damage and the cost of rectification will be deducted from the damage deposit.

4 Equipment List

The following non-fixed items, provided on the boats, are to be carried on board at all times in their designated place while sailing. Any loss shall be reported on the damage report.

Sails and Sailing Equipment

Mainsail and set of battens

Jib

Spinnaker

One spinnaker pole

One continuous spinnaker sheet

One continuous headsail sheet

Tiller extension

Jib cars

Competitor flag set

Four adult PFDs

Mooring Lines and Fenders (2)