



Conditions for the US Youth Match Racing Championship for the Rose Cup

The United States Match Racing Championships Committee (USMRCC) has been authorized by US Sailing to be the Organizing Authority for the United States Youth Match Racing Championship for the Rose Cup (USYMRC).

The Chairman of the USMRCC will designate a representative of the Organizing Authority for the USYMRC.

1. CONDITIONS

1.1 These Conditions are the collected policies and procedures adopted by the USMRCC for the conduct of the Championship.

1.2 The championship is governed by the US Sailing Championship Conditions - [Championship Conditions | US Sailing](#)

1.3 The championship is governed by US Sailing Regulation 2.02, 4.02, 10, 13 and 14.04. www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/USSailingRegulationsAmended2018-04-23.pdf

1.4 Initial approval and subsequent modifications and/or amendments of these Conditions will be proposed by either the USYMRC representative or USMRCC. Such modifications and/or amendments must be approved by a majority of the USMRCC before being incorporated.

2. CHAMPIONSHIP DOCUMENTS

2.1 A preliminary Notice of Race (NOR) will be posted on the US Sailing website on or about January 1st of the year of the event at: www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/2019-u-s-youth-match-racing-championship/ (the “event website”)

2.2 Preliminary Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be posted on the event website at least one week before the event begins.

3. ELIGIBILITY

3.1. Competitors must have reached their 16th birthday but not their 21st birthday during the calendar year in which the event is held.

3.2. Competitors must be current individual or family members of US Sailing.

3.3 Only skippers invited by the event Selection Committee will be eligible to enter the Championship.

3.4 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.

3.5 To remain eligible a skipper shall register by the date specified on the letter of invitation.

3.6 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of ISAF regulation 19.2, Eligibility Code, (which can be found at: <http://rulesdocs.ussailing.org>, under “Additional Resources”)

3.7 All competitors shall obtain an ISAF Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Skippers shall inform the OA of their ISAF Sailor ID at registration.



4. REQUESTING AN INVITATION

4.1 A Request for Invitation (RFI) will be posted on the US Sailing website on or about January 1st of the year of the event at the event website.

4.2 Invitation request deadlines, entry fees, damage deposit information, and invitation dates will be described in the NOR.

5. REGISTRATION

5.1 Registration for invited skippers will open on or soon after May 1st of the year of the event. The actual date will be indicated in the invitation letter.

5.2 Competitors will register and pay the entry fee online by linking to Regatta Network from the US Sailing website.

6. HOUSING REQUIREMENTS FOR HOST CLUB

6.1 The host club will arrange for sufficient beds for all competitors.

6.2 The host club will arrange for sufficient beds, as needed, for US Sailing officials, US Sailing coaches, Race Committee and Umpires.

7. BOATS

The boats used for the USYMRC will be a one-design class of keelboats with a minimum of three (3) crew (including the skipper).

8. COACHING

The Championship is a Grade 2 event as defined in the US Sailing Coaching and Support Boat Policy:

www.ussailing.org/competition/resources/coaching-and-support-boat-policy/

9. RACE MANAGEMENT

9.1 The Principle Race Officer (PRO) will be appointed by the USYMRC representative with the agreement of the host club and in compliance with the most current US Sailing Race Official Requirements at Championships.

9.2 The race committee will be appointed by the PRO.

9.3. The USYMRC representative will appoint the Chief Umpire in compliance with the most current US Sailing Race Official Requirements at Championships.

9.4 Additional umpires will be appointed by the Chief Umpire in compliance with the most current US Sailing Race Official Requirements at Championships.

9.5 The USYMRC representative, in consultation with the Chief Umpire, shall determine all matters not covered in these Conditions.



10. CONDUCT OF SERIES

10.1 Each event shall use one or more of the following systems:

a. Round-Robins: In cases where complete round-robins cannot be completed, the series will be scored in accordance with RRS Appendix C.

b. Knock-out Series: After a single or double round-robin, the OA may provide for a knock-out quarter finals and/or a semifinals and finals. For a quarter finals, semifinals and finals, it is recommended that the winner of each pair be the first to win at least three points. For a petit-finals, it is recommended that the winner of each pair be the first to win at least two points.

c. Groups: Competitors may be divided into groups. In such case, the OA representative responsible for the event will determine the number of rounds and the system to be used to complete the regatta within the time available for the event.

10.2 Should wind, weather or other conditions make it unlikely to complete the scheduled number of races within the time schedule, the event format may be terminated, shortened or altered in order to declare a Champion. The Organizing Authority in conjunction with the Race Committee shall determine actions and decisions to be taken regarding results when not resolved by RRS Appendix C. "A one-race knockout series is to be avoided if at all possible."

10.3 Courses at all levels of the Championship will be windward / leeward courses with starboard roundings, unless impractical. Starting lines should be approx. 25 seconds long. Leeward gates set 2.5-3 lengths in width are preferred. Two laps are preferred, but the course may be shortened as needed. Courses will be diagrammed in the sailing instructions.

10.4 The OA in conjunction with the RC shall have the right to abandon a race in progress when the wind strength for the race is not considered by them to be suitable for the Championship Finals irrespective of World Sailing guidelines: minimum, average wind strength of four (4) knots is a guideline. This decision shall not be grounds for redress.

11. MODIFICATIONS TO THE RACING RULES, USE OF NOR AND SIs

11.1. The USYMRC representative is the representative of the Organizing Authority in regard to RRS 89.2.

11.2. The USYMRC representative, the PRO and the Chief Umpire will agree to the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions. The USYMRC representative will have the final approval.

11.3. Any changes to the NOR or SIs shall be approved by the Chief Umpire in consultation with the USYMRC representative and the PRO.



12. SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- 12.1 Adults serving the regatta in any official capacity shall honor all Regulations during the entire race day on which they are on duty.
- 12.2 Housing: some states may require that all host families go through a police background check; this must be done in advance.
- 12.3 Curfew: curfew will be 2200, unless modified by the host club and posted in writing on the official notice board.

13. DISCIPLINE

- 13.1 All competitors are expected to maintain the highest level of conduct throughout the entire event.
- 13.2 Enforcement of discipline and conduct shall be conducted as per the Championships Code of Conduct.

14. PRIZES

- 14.1. The Rose Cup is the perpetual trophy presented to the winning team.
- 14.2 US Sailing medals will be awarded to the competitors who finish first through third.
- 14.3 The Nick Scandone Sportsmanship Award is the perpetual trophy presented for sportsmanship.
- 14.4 The two perpetual trophies will remain at the Balboa Yacht Club until US Sailing has found a suitable venue for them, and will be engraved with the winners' names.

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