





Organizing Authority: US Sailing Supported by the C. Thomas Clagett Jr. Trust Host: Richmond Yacht Club, Richmond, CA



July 8 - July 13, 2019

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- **1.2** The following documents shall apply:
- **1.2.1** US Sailing Regulation 10 Prohibited Substances. An alleged breach of US Sailing Regulation 10 shall not be grounds for a protest by another boat. However, when a protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached Regulation 10.03 it shall follow the process described in the Championships Code of Conduct.
- **1.2.2** The U.S. Junior Women's Championships Conditions and the US Sailing Championship Conditions.
- **1.2.3** The US Sailing Championship Coaching and Support Boat Policy. This will be a Grade 2 Coaching event.
- 1.2.4 US Sailing SafeSport Program Handbook
- 1.25 US Sailing's Code of Conduct
- **1.3** Appendix P Special Procedures for Rule 42 shall apply.
- **1.4** RRS 40 will be changed so that each competitor shall wear a USCG approved life jacket that is 100% dependent on foam for flotation and the appropriate size for the sailor, at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. [NP]
- **1.5** RRS 60.1(a) is changed to add: prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of any class rule other than class equipment measurement rules. [NP]
- **1.6** RRS 77 identification on Sails is changed so that a boat is not required to display national letters. However, competitors shall be required to comply with applicable class sail numbering rules [NP][DP]
- **1.7** RRS 64.1 is changed to allow the protest committee to impose penalties for hearings held under RRS 60.3. Such penalties may range in severity from a reprimand to a dismissal from the regatta.



## 2 RECALL NUMBERS [DP] [NP]

Two digit recall numbers will be issued at registration and shall be displayed as per the instructions provided at registration. It is the responsibility of each competitor to properly display the issued number during the regatta.

#### 3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

**3.1** Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, which is located on the north wall of the Regatta Room at the east end of the first floor of Richmond Yacht Club (RYC). Notices will also be posted on US Sailing website:

https://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/2019-u-s-junior-womens-singlehanded-championship/

**3.2** All questions to the race committee, protest committee, or organizing authority must be made in writing and will be posted and answered on the official notice board.

#### 4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- **4.1** Changes to the SIs will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the close of the morning competitors' meeting on the day it takes effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted no later than 1900 the day before a change will take effect.
- **4.2** Oral changes to the SIs may be given on the water. The race committee signal vessel shall display code flag "L" and competitors shall approach the signal boat and receive the oral change while code flag "L"is displayed in accordance with RRS 90.2(c).

#### 5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- **5.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the RYC flagpole on upper deck of clubhouse.5.2 Code flag "L", when displayed ashore signifies that a change in the SIs or other notice to competitors has been posted on the official notice board.
- **5.2** When flag "AP" is displayed ashore, the warning signal for the next race will be made not less than 60 minutes after AP is lowered. This changes RRS Race Signals.

#### 6 SAFETY [DP] [NP]

- 6.1 A boat retiring from a race shall notify any race committee vessel before leaving the course, or, when that is impossible, Race Headquarters immediately after arrival ashore.
- **6.2** Boats may use their mainsheets for towing, but due to potential sea-state, RYC strongly suggests competitors carry a 30 foot tow line.



#### 7 SCHEDULE

## Monday, July 8

1400 – 1800 On-Site Check-In for competitors

1700 Dinner

## Tuesday, July 9

0800 - 0900 Breakfast

0900 - 1600 Clinic

1700 Dinner

## Wednesday, July 10

0800 - 0900 Breakfast

0900 - 1600 Clinic

1700 Dinner

## Thursday, July 11

0800 - 0900 Breakfast

1100 Warning signal for first race of the day; subsequent races to follow

1700 Dinner

## Friday, July 12

0800 - 0900 Breakfast

1100 Warning signal for first race of the day; subsequent races to follow

1700 Dinner

#### Saturday, July 13

0800 - 0900 Breakfast

1100 Warning signal for first race of the day; subsequent races to follow

1600 No Warning Signal after 1600

#### **Awards Ceremony and Dinner following racing**

10 races are scheduled. The race committee may run fewer races at its discretion.

### 8 VENUE

The regatta will be sailed in the Berkeley Circle area of the SF Bay. Alternate venues (based on wind/sea conditions) include the area ESE of Southampton Shoal or in an area north of RYC known as Keller's Cove.

## 9 CLASS FLAGS

The class flag for the Laser radial will be a yellow flag with the Leiter "Ladder" logo.

The class flag for the Laser 4.7 will be a Red flag with a White Laser logo.



#### 10 THE COURSES

- **10.1** The diagrams in Attachment B show the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed. All rounding marks shall be left to port, except Marks 2S/2P which are gates.
- **10.2** The race committee signal boat shall post the course to be sailed via numerical pennants.
- **10.3** If one of the gate marks is missing, the mark in position will be rounded to port.

#### 11 MARKS

- **11.1** Original marks 1, S & F will be orange inflatable tetrahedrons.
- 11.2 Offset mark 1a will be an orange ball buoy or other mark or floating shape.
- **11.3** Marks 2S & 2P will be yellow inflatable tetrahedrons.
- **11.4** New marks, as provided in instruction 13.1, will be yellow inflatable tetrahedrons.

### 12 THE START

- **12.1** Races will be started using RRS 26.
- **12.2** All sound signals will be horns.
- **12.3** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel and course side of an orange tetrahedron on port side of signal vessel.
- **12.4** To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the orange line flag on the signal boat will be displayed with multiple sounds, at least four (4) minutes before the warning signal is displayed.
- **12.5** In the event a boat(s) breaks RRS 30.4, the race committee will display her recall number. This changes RRS 30.4.
- **12.6** In addition, the race committee will attempt to post a boat's recall number in the event they are scored as OCS or UFD. The race committee will also attempt to hail OCS boats. This is a courtesy only and failure of the race committee to make this posting or failure for competitor to hear a hail shall not be grounds for redress.
- **12.7** A boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS 35 and A5.

#### 13 COURSE CHANGES

- **13.1** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will (a) lay a new mark, (b) move the finishing line, or (c) move the leeward gate (original marks). When the windward Mark is changed, there will not be an Offset Mark. When a new mark is laid, the original mark will be removed as soon as possible. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- **13.2** The race committee may make minor adjustments in the course without signaling a change of course. This changes RRS 33.



#### 14 THE FINISH

**14.1** The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal boat and orange tetrahedron on starboard side of RC boat as shown in Attachment B.

#### 15 TIME LIMITS

70 minutes to complete race

20 minutes to first mark

15 minutes after first boat

- **15.1** If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race shall be abandoned.
- **15.2** Boats still racing and failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat in their class sails the course and finishes will be scored TLE and will be scored 1 more point than the last finisher in that race. This changes RRS 35, A4.2, A5 and A11.

## 16 PENALTY SYSTEM

- **16.1** Appendix P will apply as changed by instruction 16.2
- **16.2** Rule P2. 2 and P2.3 will not apply and rule P2.1 is changed so it will apply to any penalty after the first one.

#### 17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- **17.1** Protest forms will be available at the protest desk at Race Headquarters, next to the the official notice board, which is located on the north wall of the Regatta Room at the east end of the first floor of Richmond Yacht Club (RYC)
- **17.2** The protest time limit is thirty (30) minutes after the race committee finish boat docks.
- **17.3** The protest hearing schedule and the location of the hearings will be posted on the official notice board no later than thirty (30) minutes after the protest time limit.
- **17.4** Notice of actions taken by the race committee (shown in the posted results) or protest committee and a list of boats penalized under Appendix P will be posted on the official notice board.
- **17.5** On the last day of the regatta, a request for redress of a protest committee decision or scoring error shall be delivered within the protest time limit or within 30 minutes of the decision or results being posted, whichever is later. This changes RRS 62.2.

#### 18 SCORING

- **18.1** The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply with the following changes:
- (a) When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.



**18.2** Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

## 19 REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT (DP)

Substitution or repair or replacement of hulls, sails, or equipment will not be allowed without prior written approval of the organizing authority. The OA will be the US Sailing National officer on site. See US Sailing Championship Conditions.

## 20 COACH, SPECTATOR AND SUPPPORT VESSELS (DP) (NP)

- **20.1** This is a Grade 2 Event as defined in the Championship Coaching and Support Boat Policy.
- **20. 2** Instructors, personal coaches and other support personnel and family members shall not go afloat in the defined racing area at any time during the clinic or racing days, except in spectator boats as defined in 20.5.
- **20.3** Outside contact with competitors is prohibited on clinic and racing days commencing with the competitor's arrival at the host club and shall continue until dismissed by the National Coach each day.
- **20.4** Outside contact is defined as a parent, family member, spectator, or coach. Competitors shall not receive advice, instruction, or any type of outside assistance (other than that provided by US Sailing) including electronic communication devices while at the sailing venue during the clinic and racing days. It is the intent of this rule to prohibit contact between competitors and any person, who, in the opinion of the Protest Committee, is a coach, instructor or advisor.
- **20.5** The coaches hired by US Sailing will offer individual on-the-water instruction and group commentary/advice on land following each racing day. This coaching will be given to all competitors on as much an equal basis as possible.
- **20.6** Parents and spectators are invited to spectate on Saturday, the last day of racing. A spectator boat may be available via sign-up at the venue.

#### 21 DISPOSAL OF TRASH (DP)

Boats shall not purposefully discharge trash into the water.

## 22 DISCIPLINE (DP) (NP)

- **22.1** Competitors are considered to be attending the championship from the moment that they arrive at the venue until they leave the venue for home or the airport.
- **22.2** Per US Sailing Regulations 10.03 B, no contestant shall use, either on or off the water, marijuana or any other substance if possession is illegal under state or federal law; or any alcoholic beverages. This regulation shall be in effect from date and time of arrival through date and time of departure from the locale and including transport to and from the locale. 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 shall follow the process described in the



Championships Code of Conduct. If a competitor found to have breached one of the elements within the Code of Conduct, they 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.

**22.3** All competitors are expected to maintain the highest level of conduct throughout the entire event. RRS 60.3 is modified to permit the protest committee to protest a boat when, from its own observations or a report received from any source, it believes that a competitor may have committed a breach of good manners, or sportsmanship, or may have brought the sport or the event into disrepute. RRS 64.1 is changed to allow penalties for breaking this provision to range from a reprimand to a dismissal from the regatta. For a hearing under this provision, the protest committee shall call the U.S. Junior Women's Championship Committee Chair her designee and the Regatta Chairperson as witnesses

#### 23 PRIZES

- **23.1** US Sailing Championship medals will be awarded to competitors who finish first through fifth in each fleet.
- **23.2** Keeper trophies will be awarded to competitors finishing in the top three (3) places in the Laser Radial fleet.
- **23.3** The Nancy Leiter Clagett Memorial Trophy is the perpetual trophy presented to the winner of the Radial fleet which remains on permanent display at US Sailing.
- **23.4** The C. Thomas Clagett Jr. Sportsmanship Prize will be awarded to a competitor based on the results of the competitors' ballots.

## 24 RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY & PERSONAL CONDUCT

- **24.1** Competitors participate in the regatta at their own risk. See RRS 4 (Decision to Race). The organizing authority 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.
- **24.2** The competitor will accept full responsibility for all his/her actions during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.
- **24.3** All competitors are expected to maintain the highest levels of conduct throughout the entire event. Enforcement of discipline and conduct shall be conducted as per RRS 69.1, the Championships Code of Conduct and/or the policies and procedures of US Sailing (Regulation 15.01).

## 25 INTERFERENCE WITH COMMERCIAL VESSELS

**25.1** Boats shall not impede the passage of commercial vessels and shall comply with USCG Navigation Rules. If a commercial vessel has sounded five blasts, and the vessel or the Coast Guard identifies the boat by sail number, the Race Committee shall protest the boat, in which case the Protest Committee shall assume that the identified boat has impeded passage or violated USCG Navigation Rules, and the identified boat shall have



the burden of proving otherwise. In the case of a complaint by a Vessel Traffic or the Coast Guard, the protest time limit shall be extended up to two days after the conclusion of the regatta. This changes RRS 61.3. Compliance with RRS 60.2(a) shall not be required.

25.2 A Race Committee boat may signal a boat to alter course to avoid impeding the passage of commercial vessels by making a sound signal (horn or whistle) and pointing Code Flag "V" at the boat. The signaled boat shall comply with the signal unless compliance would create an unsafe condition. If a boat fails to comply with such a signal, the Race Committee shall protest the boat, in which case the Protest Committee shall assume that the course alteration would not have created an unsafe condition, and the protested boat shall have the burden of proving otherwise.

#### 26 FURTHER INFORMATION

**26.1** For further information please contact:

US Junior Women's Championships Committee Chair: Yolanda Cortes Mares, ymares@earthlink.net

US Sailing: <a href="mailto:championships@ussailing.org">championships@ussailing.org</a>
Event Chair: Kers Clausen kcyc@aol.com

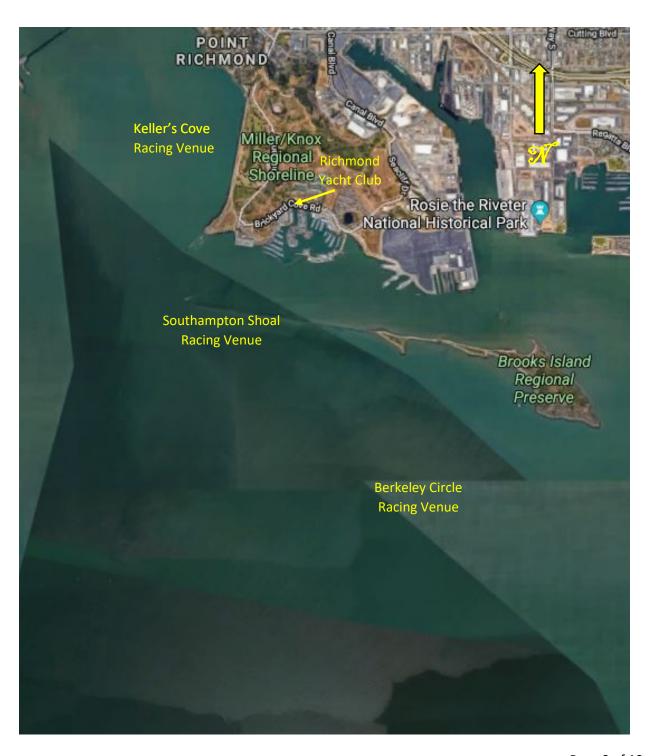
Principal Race Officer: Jeff Zarwell <u>jzarwell@regattapro.com</u>

Host Club: Richmond Yacht Club, 351 Brickyard Cove Rd, Richmond, CA 94801

**26.2** All official applications, notices, forms, lists and results will be posted at the Event Website: <a href="https://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/2019-u-s-junior-womens-singlehanded-championship">https://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/2019-u-s-junior-womens-singlehanded-championship</a>

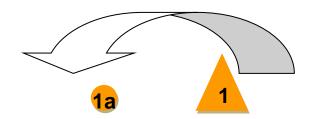


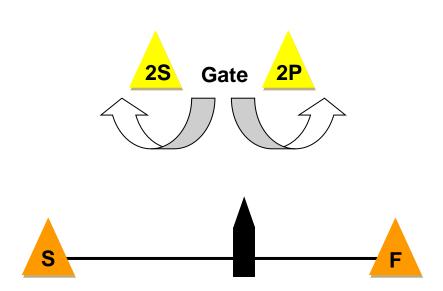
# Attachment A Racing Venues





## Attachment B Courses





Course #1 1 (p) - 1a (p) - finish

Course #2 1 (p) – 1a (p) – 2 (s/p) – 1 (p) – 1a (p) – finish

Course #3 1 (p) - 1a (p) - 2 (s/p) - 1 (p) - 1a (p) - 2 (s/p) - 1 (p) - 1a (p) - 1a

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