



April 8, 2019

Dear 2019 U.S. Youth Match Racing Championship Competitors and Parents:

On behalf of US Sailing and our host the San Diego Yacht Club, we congratulate you on your invitation to the 2019 U.S. Youth Match Racing Championship for the Rose Cup, June 26-30. We have been planning for this event for some time, and we hope that you have a great sailing experience and that your stay in San Diego will be a memorable one.

Our primary goal is to ensure that you and your team leave the event being a much stronger match racer and sailor than when you came. To that end, we plan to give you a lot of coaching on Wednesday, June 26 and Thursday, June 27, which will also serve as a great way to get up to speed in the J/22's. This will be in addition to the very useful umpire debriefs after racing as well. So, regardless of your present match racing experience and expertise, you will be much better at the end of the event.

This letter is designed to

- (a) be sure you are up to speed on all the details you need to know about the event; and
- (b) have you help us help you have a great event by sending us the information and forms we need to be prepared for you.

**If you are the skipper, please forward this letter to each of your crew immediately.  
And all sailors, please share and/or forward this letter to your parents immediately.**

**ENTRY AND REGISTRATION; OTHER PAPERWORK (attached)**

**To secure their spot in the event, Skippers must register for the event and pay their entry fee online by April 23, 2019, on the Clubspot registration website at <https://theclubspot.com/register/regatta/Or9AVVfbRR/class>. If you have not registered and paid by April 23, we may fill your spot from our waiting list.**

**NOTE: Crews must register online by May 14, 2019. Teams not completely registered by May 14 may lose their place in the event.**

**To register the crews online**, skippers should enter the first and last names, e-mail and phone number of their crew in the Clubspot registration. That will send an e-mail with a link to each crew member to log in and fill out their own information to complete their registration. It is the responsibility of the skipper to ensure **the entire team is registered by May 14, 2019.**



You will be asked for medical information at the time of your online registration; this is required in case of emergency. If any medical issues change, it is the responsibility of the parent/competitor to notify John Reiter at 949.836.0929 as soon as possible. **It is highly recommended that you bring a copy of your medical insurance card with you.**

When you register, you will receive an e-mail receipt from ClubSpot. A subsequent e-mail will be sent to the e-mail of your parent/guardian with a link to complete your waiver online. This is required for each crew member (including skipper) for your registration to be considered complete.

**Make sure you enter the following information into your online registration:**

Your personal e-mail (this is **not** your parent's, but yours)

Your **personal** cell phone number so we can reach you during the event

Your parent's e-mail (and it must NOT be the same as yours. This is where the waiver will be e-mailed to)

Your parent's phone number(s) so we can contact them before or during the event

Your travel plans when known. Please do not enter flight information until you have purchased your ticket.

You are able to edit your registration information by logging into your Clubspot account. Once you confirm your travel plans, you can log back in to update this section.

**EVENT WEBSITE:** Registration, sailing instructions, results, video, photos, and all official regatta information can be found at: [www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/2019-u-s-youth-match-racing-championship/](http://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/2019-u-s-youth-match-racing-championship/)

**SAN DIEGO YACHT CLUB WEBSITE:**

Travel information including directions to the San Diego Yacht Club can be found at: [www.sdy.org](http://www.sdy.org)

**NOTICE OF RACE**

Please review the NoR (sent in a pdf file with this letter and available on the Event Website). It specifies all the financial aspects of the event, clearly states the rules concerning your behavior, and tells you when the event begins and ends so you can make appropriate travel plans.



Let me point out a couple of items from the NoR (but there are many more, so be sure to read them!):

a) NoR 5.1 - **Every competitor** must have turned **at least 16 in 2019**, and **cannot turn 21 in 2019**... please be prepared to show your picture ID with birthdate at registration.

b) NoR 5.2 - All participants need to be **current members of US Sailing at the time of registration and the regatta**. If you need to join or renew, go to [www.ussailing.org/membership/](http://www.ussailing.org/membership/). You and your crew won't be able to register online if it's out of date. If you are unsure, you can check there too.

c) NoR 5.7 -All skippers will need to get a **World Sailing** (formerly called ISAF) **Sailor ID** by registering online at [www.sailing.org/isafsailor](http://www.sailing.org/isafsailor). This is free and only takes a couple of minutes. Skippers will need to provide their WS ID# when they register online. This is so you can begin earning your WS Match Racing Ranking points.

d) NoR 6.5(a) – the refundable damage deposit will be \$500 payable by credit card at registration (not online beforehand)

e) NoR 10 - you need to sail with **four (4) people in the boat**, and there shall be **at least one female and one male in the crew**. The **total weight** of all of you can't be **more than 680 pounds** (dressed in a T-shirt and shorts). Check your weights a week before you come! You don't want to have to go for a run while others are going for a sail! You only need to weigh in once, when you register at the event on Wednesday, June 26; there are no subsequent weigh-ins. Note, the teams that did well last year weighed around 650 pounds, but other teams that did well were closer to 600 pounds. Try not to be less than 600 if possible.

f) NoR 18 describes the dress code for the event. You do NOT need to bring a coat & tie or skirt.

#### **ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE (See NoR 21)**

All competitors, etc. flying in are **strongly encouraged** to fly into the San Diego International Airport (SAN). Travel time from the airport to the San Diego Yacht Club is about 10 minutes.

**Sailors are on their own to get to the San Diego Yacht Club.** Ubers or taxis are the simplest means of transportation.

Competitors may arrive at the San Diego YC on Tuesday, June 25, between noon and 9:00pm, or on Wednesday, June 26. **If you are arriving on Tuesday, be sure to let John Reiter know your arrival time.**

Attendance at the Awards Ceremony on Sunday, June 30, is **mandatory**, unless prior written permission has been given by Dave Perry. Permission will be granted only in unusual circumstances.



**On Sunday, June 30, departing flights should not be scheduled before 7:00pm.**

We will provide transportation to the San Diego airport on Sunday, June 30. The busses will be scheduled to arrive at the airports by 5:30pm.

**PLEASE EMAIL YOUR TRAVEL PLANS DIRECTLY TO JOHN REITER, as well as putting it online BY MAY 21**

The registration in Clubspot asks for your travel plans at the time of initial registration. If you don't have your flight information at this time, put "flying, TBD" and then go back into your registration to update with detailed information (airline, flight number, arrival and departure times and dates) once your plans are confirmed. It is imperative that you enter your arrival and departure details **no later than May 21**. You can use this link to update/change your plans at any time prior to this deadline. But, it is tremendously helpful if you also email John Reiter directly with your travel plans as well. After May 21, you must email any changes immediately to John Reiter, Event Chairman, at: [johnreiter5@gmail.com](mailto:johnreiter5@gmail.com)

**It is imperative that the event organizers receive accurate travel information for every participant. Please do not enter flights on the registration form until they have been booked and confirmed.**

*Don't forget to include the San Diego Yacht Club's name, address, and phone number on your luggage tag in the event your bags are delayed: 1011 Anchorage Ln, San Diego, CA 92106 619.221.8400*

### **TRAVEL DELAYS**

If there is a flight delay or problems with your itinerary on the day of travel, please call John Reiter at 949.836.0929 as soon as possible.

### **SAILORSHIPS**

This program is for sailors ages 13 to 18 and offers grants for sailors to travel to US Sailing's U.S. junior or youth championships. (Please note that class championships are not US Sailing events.) Sailorships will be awarded in amounts varying from \$100 – \$500 per person per year, based on need. Awards may be requested prior to or after an event, but only one award per year may be granted. Complete applications must be received by June 1 or October 1 for the calendar year. For more information go to: [www.ussailing.org/competition/youth-sailing/youth-championships/sailorships-financial-aid-for-junior-sailors/](http://www.ussailing.org/competition/youth-sailing/youth-championships/sailorships-financial-aid-for-junior-sailors/)



### **ON SITE CHECK-IN AND REGISTRATION**

Registration will be open on Wednesday, June 26th from 10:00am – 1:00pm at the San Diego Yacht Club.

Your life jacket will be inspected at registration. **Bring the USCG approved PFD that you plan to wear during the event. It must be the right size for your weight.** Please refer to NoR 8.2(b) for the requirements.

Please also have your photo ID and a credit card with you to pay for the damage deposit (\$500) at registration; see NoR 5.1 and 6.5.

### **HOUSING**

Competitors will be housed in private homes as arranged by the event hosts. You will receive your host family's information when you arrive at the San Diego Yacht Club.

### **MEALS**

Dinner will be provided throughout the regatta (Wednesday through Sunday). **Competitors are on their own for their breakfast and lunch (there are several options for breakfast and lunch food within a short walk of the San Diego Yacht Club), their water container and snacks on the water.** Please bring a refillable water container. There will be refilling jugs of water on the water.

### **DRIVING TO THE VENUE**

The Driver Release Form (at end of this letter) signed by a parent or guardian must be on file for all sailors intending to drive in a car to San Diego. A completed Driver Release Form should be sent to John Reiter via e-mail ([johnreiter5@gmail.com](mailto:johnreiter5@gmail.com)) or by mail (Mr. John Reiter, USYMRC Event Chairman, San Diego Yacht Club, 1011 Anchorage Ln, San Diego, CA 92106). **Once at the Club for the event, sailors will not be permitted to drive without the permission of Dave Perry.**

### **EVENT SCHEDULE and AWARDS CEREMONY**

Attendance at all post-racing dinners and events at the USYMRC, including the Awards Ceremony on Sunday June 30 in the afternoon, is MANDATORY for all competitors.

### **COACHING / SPECTATOR BOATS**

This event is a Grade 2 event as defined in the US Sailing Coaching and Support Boat Policy (see NoR 19). There will be US Sailing-supplied coaching, and OA-provided spectator boats. Private coaches and spectator boats are not permitted in the racing area. It is our intent to provide a spectator boat for those wishing to go on the water on race days. Spectators will be requested to sign up at least the day before they want to go on the water. Space may be limited. Spectator boat sign up will be at the San Diego Yacht Club. Spectators are reminded to bring their own water, lunch and personal flotation devices. No alcohol will be allowed on the spectator boats.



### **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing instructions will be distributed at registration, and preliminary sailing instructions will be posted online on the event website.

### **WEATHER**

The average air temperature in June is around 80 degrees, always with a chance of rain. Racing is in San Diego harbor, with any wind conditions possible.

### **ALCOHOL and DRUGS**

US Sailing Regulation 10 is in effect from the moment you arrive at the venue in any capacity until the moment you leave the venue either for the airport or to drive home. The use of alcohol or any illegal drug by a competitor will not be tolerated during this period. Offenders will be dealt with strictly as stated in NoR 16 and the US Sailing Code of Conduct.

### **CURFEW**

There will be a 10pm curfew during the event, meaning that ALL competitors must be "home" where they are being housed by 10pm each night. This curfew is in effect from Wednesday, June 26 through Saturday, June 29. There will be no exceptions. We are not trying to make the event less fun; we are simply concerned for your safety.

### **TREATING THE HOST SITE PROPERLY**

The U.S. Sailing Match Racing Championships Committee and the San Diego Yacht Club have been planning and working on this event for quite a while. We take the U.S. Youth Match Racing Championship very seriously as the premier youth match racing regatta on the 2019 US Sailing calendar, and you can be assured that we have planned the best possible event for you. As our guests, we hope that you appreciate our efforts. You are expected to follow all of the hosts' rules at all times. Please be as self-sufficient as possible and help others as needed. We expect that you will jump in and help without being asked!

### **PERSONAL GEAR**

Mark all your belongings in advance! We continually find clothes and equipment that competitors leave around throughout the event. All items with a name clearly on them usually get returned. Take a few minutes with an indelible marker and put your name on everything you will be bringing.



**WE SUGGEST THAT YOU BRING THE FOLLOWING:**

- USCG approved PFD that is the right size for your height and weight. NO EXCEPTIONS
- Your refillable water bottle – labeled with your name. This will be a green regatta.
- Sunscreen, sunglasses, hat, and rash guard (for sun protection)
- Notebook, pen, Rulebook
- Personal entertainment (e.g. books, iPad, etc.)
- Appropriate sailing gear and clothing for the conditions (which can be anything!)

A small sailing bag with electrical tape (no black please), telltale material, short pieces of spectra or other strong line, and a couple of shackles and ring dings, etc. IF you are going to bring a Leatherman or some sort of knife, be sure you pack it in your suitcase and not in your carry-on bag where it will likely be confiscated by TSA at the airport.

**THE 2019 GOVERNOR’S CUP**

The Governor’s Cup is the longest running international youth match racing event in the World, and is hosted annually by the Balboa Yacht Club in Newport Beach, California in Gov Cup 22’s. Last year it was a Grade 1 event (meaning the most competitive in the grading system). The top finishing skipper at the 2019 USYMRC receives an automatic invitation to the Governor’s Cup, July 15-20, 2019, **BUT only if the skipper has requested an invitation to the 2019 Governor’s Cup by their deadline of April 12!!!** To find the NoR, event brochure and Request for Invitation form, go to: <http://www.govcupracing.com/>

We are looking forward to seeing you in a few short months, for five days of great training and competition!

Dave Perry

US Sailing’s representative for the U.S. Youth Match Racing Championship for the Rose Cup

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San Diego Yacht Club Website: [www.sdyc.org](http://www.sdyc.org)

USYMRC Website: [www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/u-s-youth-match-racing-championship/](http://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/u-s-youth-match-racing-championship/)

### Checklist for Registration and Document Submission

#### **Online Registration**

##### *Required*

- Sailor's US Sailing Membership ID (you can look it up [here](#).)
- Sailor's personal e-mail
- Sailor's personal cell phone number
- Sailor's birth date
- Sailor's address
- Accurate travel plans with flight numbers, if possible
- Skipper's World Sailing Sailor ID Number
- Emergency contact information
- Parent's name, e-mail and cell phone number
- Full** name of sailing organization (Waikiki Yacht Club not WYC)
- Agreement to Depiction and Liability Release, Medical Consent and Code of Conduct – *electronic waiver to be sent via an e-mail from ClubSpot after registration is submitted. The waiver is to be signed electronically by the participant (if 18 and over) or the participant's parent (if under 18).*

#### **Additional Requirement –**

- Copy of your birth certificate, driver's license or U.S. passport – *must be sent via e-mail to John Reiter ([johnreiter5@gmail.com](mailto:johnreiter5@gmail.com))*

#### **Optional Forms –** one per sailor it applies to

*(this form is at the end of this letter)*

- Driver's and Rider's Release – complete **ONLY** if you are driving yourself to the regatta or riding in a car with other sailors.

Submit the completed Driver's and Rider's Release form, if applicable, **no later than May 14**

*By email:* John Reiter, Event Chairman, at: [johnreiter5@gmail.com](mailto:johnreiter5@gmail.com)

*By mail:* Mr. John Reiter, USYMRC Event Chairman, San Diego Yacht Club, 1011 Anchorage Ln, San Diego, CA 92106



Optional: If you are bringing a car or driving with other sailors, this form must be submitted with your registration materials

**DRIVER'S AND RIDER'S RELEASE FORM**

Regardless of age, only those sailors who have submitted this form in advance will be permitted to drive to and from the host venue during the championship. Any driver who arrives without this form submitted in advance will be asked to surrender their keys.

I \_\_\_\_\_ (*parent/guardian name*) give permission for  
\_\_\_\_\_ (*name of competitor*) sailing  
in the USYMRC to either drive themselves or be driven by \_\_\_\_\_,  
(*name*)

during the 2019 U.S Youth Match Racing Championship from June 26-30. I release the San Diego Yacht Club, US Sailing, all volunteers, and all sponsors of all liability and responsibility during the Championship.

I understand that my child (even if 18 or older) will not be permitted to drive their car, or ride in a car, during the Event without the permission of the OA.

Parent/guardian name (*please print*): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone numbers: (w) \_\_\_\_\_ (h) \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to competitor: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete the following information about the vehicle(s) if you are bringing a car

Vehicle Make, Model and Color \_\_\_\_\_

License Plate (vehicle) State and Number \_\_\_\_\_