



# CFJ National Championship

Thursday - Sunday, July 25 - 28, 2024

Mission Bay Yacht Club

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### GENERAL INFORMATION

The Organizing Authority is Mission Bay Yacht Club (MBYC), located at:

1215 El Carmel Place San Diego, CA 92109

Phone: 858-488-0501 Web: <https://juniors.mbyc.org> Regatta Chair: Aine McLean

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*The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the Sailing Instructions means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.*

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and by the [Club FJ Class Association Rules](#).
- 1.2 Each entrant must meet the eligibility, entry and fee requirements as outlined in the [Notice of Race](#) for this regatta.
- 1.3 A condition of entry and participation in this regatta is the wearing of a U.S. Coast Guard approved lifejacket, properly secured at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while removing or adding clothing. All lifejackets must be suitable for the competitor's weight. Wet suits, dry suits, and inflatable lifejackets do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy. These changes are added to rule 40, and the Preamble to Part 4 will not apply to rule 40. [DP]
- 1.4 Per CFJ Class Rule 8.c, the Race Committee will not require hull and sail number to match for borrowed or chartered boats and sails.

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the south side of the MBYC main clubhouse on the Official Notice Board and at the [CFJ Nationals](#) webpage. All notices regarding protests or requests for redress will be posted on the Notice Board (see SI 16.1).

### 3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions (SI) will be posted no later than 1000 on the day it will take effect. Any changes to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 of the day before.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole located on the south side of the MBYC main clubhouse.
- 4.2 When the answering Pennant (AP) is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than thirty (30) minutes" in the RRS Race Signals.

### 5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 There will be a competitors' meeting at 0930 on Friday, July 26, on the patio at the south side of the MBYC Main clubhouse.
- 5.2 Eleven (11) races are scheduled: four (4) each on Friday and Saturday and three (3) on Sunday. The Race Committee (RC) reserves the right to run more or fewer races each day without posting a change to the schedule of events.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the first warning signal each day is 1230. Subsequent races will start as soon as practicable.
- 5.4 Code flag A displayed, with no sound, while boats are finishing means "No more racing today". This change is added to the RRS Race Signals.

### 6. CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be a white CFJ Class insignia on a blue background.

### 7. RACING AREA

The racing area will be inside Mission Bay.

### 8. MARKS

The marks are described in Attachment A.

### 9. COURSES

The courses are described in Attachment A.

## **10. THE START**

- 10.1 The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the RC pin boat and the staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat (see Attachment A).
- 10.2 A boat that starts more than five (5) minutes after her starting signal shall be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and Appendix A5.

## **11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

To change the next leg of the course, the RC will move the next mark from its original position to the new position. The change will be signaled before the lead boat has begun the leg, although the mark may not yet be in position. If the weather mark is moved, there will not be an offset mark.

## **12. THE FINISH**

- 12.1 The finish line will be between the course side of mark 1 and the staff displaying an orange flag on the RC finish boat (see Attachment A).
- 12.2 Competitors are reminded that RRS 23 prohibits a boat that has finished from interfering with boats still racing.

## **13. TIME LIMIT**

- 13.1 The time limit will be sixty (60) minutes for the first boat to finish.
- 13.2 Boats failing to finish within fifteen (15) minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored the position of the last boat to finish plus one (1). This changes RRS 35, 63.1 and Appendix A5.

## **14. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 14.1 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for RRS 42, applies with the following changes:
  - (a) in P2.1, First Penalty, the word "first" is deleted;
  - (b) P2.2 and P2.3 are deleted.
- 14.2 On the water observer boats will be identified by code flag "J".

## **15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 15.1 Protests shall be filed with the Regatta Chairman no later than forty-five (45) minutes after the RC signal boat has docked (Protest Time Limit), which time will be posted on the Official Notice Board. Protest forms are available from the MBYC office located in the Main Clubhouse.
- 15.2 A breach of SI 10, 18 and 20, as well as any class rule other than class equipment measurement rules, will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 15.3 Scoring inquiries must be filed within the Protest Time Limit or 30 minutes after the preliminary results are posted for that day, whichever is later.
- 15.4 RRS 62.2 (Redress) is modified as follows:
  - (a) The second sentence of RRS 62.2 is changed to: "If the request is based on an incident in the racing area, it shall be delivered to the Regatta Chairman within the Protest Time Limit for that day."
  - (b) No later than fifteen (15) minutes after the RC signal boat docks each day, a notice of boats scored per RRS A5 or penalized under SI 10 or 11.2 for that day will be posted on the Protest Notice Board. The deadline for a request for redress based on this list will be the Protest Time Limit for that day.
  - (c) On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress based on a Protest Committee decision shall be delivered no later than thirty (30) minutes after the decision was posted.
- 15.5 US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.2 and 63.4 do not apply.
- 15.6 No later than fifteen (15) minutes after the Protest Time Limit, a notice of filed protests and requests for redress will be posted on the Official notice Board. This will constitute notice to all parties to a hearing under RRS 63.2.
- 15.7 Hearings will be held in the MBYC Junior Clubhouse. Skippers of boats who are parties to a hearing and their witnesses shall remain on call in the vicinity.
- 15.8 Only the skipper may represent a boat in a hearing. No coach or other person may represent a boat or file a protest on her behalf. This changes RRS 63.3(a).
- 15.9 Protests and requests for redress will be heard in the approximate order of receipt as soon as possible.

## **16. SCORING**

- 16.1 Three (3) races must be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 16.2 When five (5) or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When six (6) to eleven (11) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **17. SAFETY [DP]**

- 17.1 A boat that withdraws from the race prior to finishing shall notify the RC either before leaving the Racing Area or as soon as practicable after arriving ashore.

## **18. DESIGNATED ADULT**

- 18.1 An adult (parent, guardian or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of each competitor under the age of eighteen (18). It is solely the responsibility of this adult to decide if the competitor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. The adult supervising the competitor is ultimately responsible for the risks. Additionally, this adult shall accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.
- 18.2 Any parent or guardian not personally attending any part of the event shall provide, during online registration or during Check-in, the name and contact information for the adult who shall be on-site, and who is authorized and designated to be responsible for their child during this event per SI 19.1. [DP]
- 18.3 Competitors who are eighteen (18) years or older are responsible for their own actions, and for the decision to sail in weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event.

## **19. COACH / SUPPORT BOATS [DP]**

- 19.1 Coach/support boats must register with the Regatta Chair. Only registered coach/support boats will be allowed in the racing area. There will be a \$50 registration fee per coach/support boat.
- 19.2 All coach/support boats must carry a VHF radio and monitor channel 71. All individuals on such registered boats are required to wear PFDs.
- 19.3 Coach/support boats shall not display distinctive markings or signaling apparatus, or any flags other than their ensign.
- 19.4 No coach/support boat may be within fifty(50) yards of the course boundaries between the first warning signal for a race and the time that the last competitor has finished the race. However, such boats may enter the racing area at the direction of the RC to assist a competitor or after an abandonment or postponement until a new warning signal has been made. This changes RRS 41.
- 19.5 Coach/support boats shall neither create wakes nor otherwise interfere with competitors.

## **20. PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded after racing on Sunday. The top finishing team will have their names engraved on the Warrington CFJ National Championship Trophy.

## **21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers (organizing authority, host yacht club, race committee, protest committee, sponsors, and any others acting in an official capacity for this event) from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

## **22. FURTHER INFORMATION**

**Regatta Chair., Aine McLean as shown above in General Information.**

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## ATTACHMENT A

### 8. MARKS (continued)

8.1. Marks 1 and 2s/2p will be orange buoys.

8.2. Mark 1a (offset mark) will be a white buoy.

### 9. COURSES (continued)

9.1. Courses will be a windward/leeward.

9.2. An offset mark (Mark 1a) will be used in conjunction with Mark 1. The offset mark will be placed at approximately a right angle to the weather leg. The offset mark will not be a part of the course if the Weather mark is moved during a race.

9.3. Marks 1 and 1a shall be rounded to port.

9.4. Mark 2s/2p is a gate. In the event only one leeward mark is on station, that mark shall be rounded to port.

9.5. No later than the warning signal, the RC signal boat will signal the course with numeral placards as shown below:

Course Number	Course
1	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p - Finish
2	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p– 1 – 1a – 2s/2p - Finish
3	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p– 1 – 1a – 2s/2p– 1 – 1a – 2s/2p - Finish
4	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p– 1 – 1a – 2s/2p– 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p - Finish

