



2026 JESSICA CUP

October 17, 2026

Organizing Authority (OA): St. Francis Yacht Club

San Francisco, California, USA

NOTICE OF RACE

*The notation '[NP]' means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule nor request redress based on that rule.
This changes RRS 60.1 and 61.1.*

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 RRS [Appendix V](#)1 and V2 applies.
- 1.3 [NP] [DP] Rule 40.1 will apply when boats are in the racing area and on their way to and from the racing area.
- 1.4 RRS 56.2 does not apply.
- 1.5 Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: '(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or'
- 1.6 The [US Sailing Prescriptions](#) to the following are deleted: The preamble of Part 5, Section B, RRS 63.1.
- 1.7 Add to RRS 41: However, in exception to rule 41(c), weather information that is available to all boats for a fee may be received, but it shall not include specific weather or routing advice customized for the boat or a group of boats.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on Thursday October 15, 2026 at [the event website](#).

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at [the event website](#).
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channels will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all Classic boats of traditional design and construction with a minimum of 23 feet on deck and Bird class.
- 4.2 The minimum number of entries for the regatta is six (6) boats per each class to be registered by October 11, 2026. The organizing authority may cancel the class if the minimum number of entries has not been reached by October 11, 2026.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by submitting the entry form and paying the entry fee online at [the event website](#).
- 4.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

5 FEES

5.1 The entry fees are as follows:

Class	Early Entry Fee until October 10	Entry Fee from October 11
Classics (see NOR 4.1) Bird class Farallon Clippers	\$83	\$105

5.2 If a boat enters a class that later fails to meet the minimum requirements, it will receive a 100% refund minus credit card fees if it does not enter another class.

5.3 The social buffet on Saturday is a ticketed event. Tickets are \$20 and available for purchase for all attendees during registration and on [the event website](#).

5.4 Additional dinner tickets for friends and family can be purchased online during the registration process or on [the event website](#).

5.5 All entry fees are non-refundable on or after October 11, 2026.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 The schedule is as follows:

DATE	TIME	EVENT	NUMBER OF RACES
Saturday, October 17	Competitors' meeting	1030	
	First warning signal	1155	up to 2
	Social & Awards presentation	After racing	

6.2 On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1530.

7 RACING AREA AND COURSES

7.1 The intended racing area will be set on the San Francisco City Front between Fort Mason and Blackaller Buoy.

7.2 The course may be a windward – leeward, any variation of a triangle, or other course.

8 SCORING

8.1 One (1) race will constitute a series.

8.2 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.

8.3 Handicap division boats will be assigned ratings for Time-On-Time, non-adjusted for event conditions, based on available performance data by the organizing authority (OA). Any boat without available performance history will be assigned a rating by the OA based on furnished measurements, performance data and certificates.

8.4 Fleet divisions will be determined based on the number of entries. It is the intention of the organizing authority for divisions to consist of boats of similar design (Gaff, Marconi, One-Design, etc.). Fleet divisions will be posted no later than 1800 hours on Thursday, October 15.

9 BERTHING

9.1 Docking is available for registered boats one (1) day prior and one (1) day after the regatta, at no cost. Additional days may be permitted by the Dockmaster. Boats requesting dockage must complete this form by October 11, 2026 to request docking: <https://tinyurl.com/DockingRequest>.

9.2 Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the harbor.

9.3 Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official or the SF Marina Yacht Harbor Staff.

9.4 Storage of any sailing equipment or boat gear is not permitted on any docks.

10 PRIZES

- 10.1 The following perpetual trophies will be awarded to eligible winners:
- Jessica Cup – Marconi rigged boats 40 feet and above.
 - Rascal Cup – Marconi rigged boats under 40 feet.
 - Yankee Cup – Gaff rigged boats.
 - Farallon Mug Cup – Farallon Clipper boats
 - San Francisco Bay Classics Season Championship consisting of results from the Master Mariners, the Belvedere Cup and this event.
- 10.2 Additional awards will be presented based on class participation.
- 10.3 Prizes not claimed at the prize giving ceremony will remain with the organizing authority.

11 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this race participate entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The race organizers (OA, Ratings Authority, Race Committee, Protest Committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this race. By participating in this race, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

12 RIGHTS TO USE NAME, LIKENESS, AND PERSONAL INFORMATION

- 12.1 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.
- 12.2 Additionally, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and race officials the right to use their personal contact information, including but not limited to a current email address and cell phone number, for the purpose of race administration and regatta communications.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

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