



2018/19 BAYS Winter Series #4

March 16-17, 2019

The San Francisco Yacht Club
Belvedere, California

Sailing Instructions

The regatta will be organized and hosted by The San Francisco Yacht Club.

1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the Notice of Series and NOR, except in the event that of these is modified by these sailing instructions.
- 1.2 All participants in this regatta shall wear a US Coast Guard approved personal flotation device (PFD) at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while adding or removing other clothing. Violation of this rule will result in a protest by the race committee, and may result in a protest committee decision up to disqualification from the entire regatta.

2 Notices to Competitors

Notices will be posted on the official notice board, in outside of the SFYC Youth Classroom.

3 Changes to the Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board. Changes may be announced and posted immediately after the competitors' meeting. On Sunday, any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1000 hours, with the exception of changes to the racing schedule, which will be posted by 1800 on Saturday.
- 3.2 Instructions to the Opti Green Fleet and CFJs will be made orally on the water by the signal boat.

4 Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagstaff near the Youth Dock.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signal 'AP.'

5 Schedule of Races

Saturday	1200	First warning. (3 races scheduled)
Sunday	1200	First warning. (3 races scheduled)
	1500	No races to start after

Six races are scheduled, with one race constituting a regatta.

6 Class Flags

The class flags will be:

C420 – F (foxtrot)

Lasers (Radial and Full) – R (romeo)

Opti Champ – Opti insignia on a white background

The Opti Green Fleet and the CFJ fleet will not have class flags and will use RRS Appendix U (Audible-Signal Racing System).

7 Racing Area

- 7.1 The primary racing area for C420s, Lasers, and Opti Championship fleet will be in Southampton Shoal. Alternate venues include Richardson Bay, and Belvedere Cove.
- 7.2 The Opti Green Fleet and CFJs will race in Belvedere Cove.

8 Courses

- 8.1 The diagram and course descriptions on the attached course chart show the courses including the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 The race committee boat will display a numerical course placard, except for the Opti Green Fleet and CFJs whose course selection will be made orally.
- 8.3 Boats that have finished, or have not yet had their warning signal, shall stay well clear of all boats racing and/or starting.

9 Marks

- 9.1 The marks will be red inflatable marks, with the exception of mark 1 for the Championship Optis, which will be a yellow inflatable mark.
- 9.2 The marks for Opti Green Fleet and CFJs will be orange balls.

10 The Start

- 10.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 (except for Opti Green and CFJ fleets, which will use RRS Appendix U (Audible-Signal Racing System)).
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff or halyard from which an orange flag is displayed on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end, and a yellow mark at the port end.
- 10.3 The race committee may use loudhailers to communicate information about the course selection, time to start, and the sail numbers of boats that are OCS or have violated RRS 30. Neither failure of the race committee to communicate the sail numbers of recalled boats in a timely manner, nor failure of a recalled boat to hear transmitted information, will be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.
- 10.4 A boat shall not start later than 4 minutes after her starting signal.

11 Change of the Next Leg of the Course

To change the position of the next mark or the course, the race committee may move a mark not yet rounded (or move the finishing line). Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated without further signaling to maintain the course configuration.

12 The Finish

The finishing line will be between an orange ball, on the opposite side of the race committee signal boat from starting mark, and a staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat.

13 Time Limit

The time limit will be 60 minutes for the first boat to sail the course and finish. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored TLE. TLE will be scored as the number of boats finished within the time limit plus 2. This changes rule RRS 35.

14 Protests

- 14.1 Upon finishing each race, boats wishing to lodge a protest shall immediately notify the race committee boat at the finishing line of their intention to protest and the sail number of the protested boat.
- 14.2 All protests shall be filed at the protest room no later than thirty minutes after the finish boat docking time. The docking time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 14.3 Protests will be heard in the approximate order of receipt. The time and place of protest hearings will be posted within thirty minutes after the end of protest time. This is the notice required by RRS 63.2.

15 Scoring

- 15.1 When fewer than five races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 15.2 When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16 Safety

- 16.1 If a competitor leaves the racing area before the end of racing each day, he/she shall notify the race committee or a support boat before retiring. If someone is unable to notify the race committee afloat, they shall notify an SFYC person ashore before leaving the harbor area.
- 16.2 Equipment and boat safety checks may be made ashore.

17 Support/Coach Boats

- 17.1 All support boats must also act as safety boats. All support boats shall have adequate first aid and safety gear aboard, as well as a marine VHF radio on channel 65A.
- 17.2 Coaches, spectators, and other support personnel shall not enter the racing area while boats are racing, unless requested to do so by the race committee, except for Opti Green Fleet coaches who may coach the back 50% of the fleet on the course per class rules. The penalty for failing to comply with any requirement of this section may be any penalty prescribed by the Jury, up to disqualification from the regatta, for the sailor(s) associated with the infringing parties.

18 Prizes

Trophies will be awarded as follows:

C420: 1st - 3rd skipper and crew

CFJ: 1st - 3rd skipper and crew

Radial: 1st - 3rd

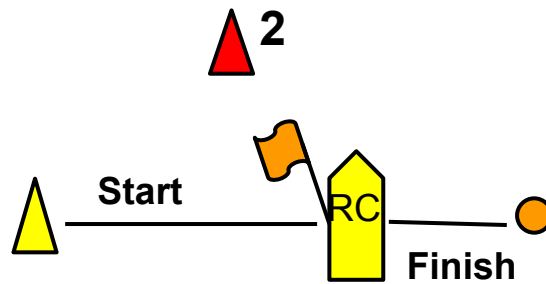
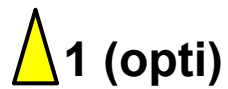
Opti Champ: 1st - 3rd overall, 1st - 3rd red fleet, 1st - 3rd blue fleet, 1st - 3rd white fleet

Opti Green: participation awards

19 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 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.

Appendix “A” – COURSE



Marks 1 and 2 are rounding marks, and shall be left to port.

COURSES

2: Start – 1 – Finish

4: Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – Finish