

2020 San Juan 21 — North American Sailing Instructions

A. Racing Rules

1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RSS) for 2017-2020, except as otherwise provided. The “720 rule” (44.1) will be in effect for infringements of a rule in Part 2 of the RRS.
2. All yachts entered or racing shall be subject to the directions and control of the Race Committee. It is the sole responsibility of each yacht to decide whether or not to start or continue a race.
3. Changes or announcements will be posted on the information board at Klamath Yacht Club.

B: Courses

1. Courses are shown on the course sheet. A letter board on the Committee Boat will display the letter (eg: A) for each race. All marks are to be rounded to port. There will be a gate at the leeward end of the course. It is the responsibility for each yacht to check the course prior to the start. Changing conditions may require a course change immediately before the start. No changes will be made after the blue preparatory flag is raised. Courses may be changed between starts.
2. The Race Committee may at its discretion shorten, postpone, or abandon any race. In the case of shortening of the course, the finish line will be between a boat - stationed as a finish boat and a mark on the course. Yachts will be notified on the water before rounding the last mark prior to the finish.

C. Starts

1. The starting line will be a line extending from a buoy of the Committee Boat to a red/orange buoy on the port side of the Committee Boat. The start line will be restricted during racing. Racing yachts should make every effort to avoid the starting area during other class starts.
2. Yachts not starting on the immediate upcoming start must keep clear of the line.
3. Class starting order will be announced at the skippers meeting.

D. Signals

Signals for starting races will be at five-minute intervals and shall be as follows:

Red/White AP (Postponement)	Lowered	One Minute before start (3) horn blasts
Red Dot Flag	Raised	Five Minutes before start (1) Horn Blast
Blue Preparatory P Flag	Raised	Four Minutes before start (1) Horn Blast
Blue Preparatory P Flag	Lowered	Four Minutes before start (1) Horn Blast
Red Dot Flag	Lowered	At start of race (1) Horn Blast

Second Start

Blue Square Flag	Raised	Immediately at 1 st Start (1) Horn Blast
Blue Preparatory P Flag	Raised	Four Minutes before start (1) Horn Blast
Blue Preparatory P Flag	Lowered	Four Minutes before start (1) Horn Blast
Blue Square Flag	Lowered	At start of race (1) Horn Blast

The start clock does not normally stop between start sequences.

E. Recalls

1. Yachts over early will be notified by (1) horn blast, the individual recall flag raised, and the sail number identified. It is the responsibility of each yacht to determine if it was over early if number not heard.
2. If individual yachts over early cannot be determined, a general recall shall be announced and the general recall flag will be raised. That class will be restarted after the last start.

F. Other Signals

1. Postponement Flag: Red/White
2. Abandonment Flag: Blue/White Checkered
3. Shorten Course Flag: White Flag with Blue Rectangle

G. Finishing

1. The finish line is the same as the start line. As stated early "Restricted at all times".
2. Yachts having finished must keep clear of the finish line.

H. Scoring

1. Points will be awarded on the low point system.
 - First Place 1 point
 - Second Place 2 points
 - Third Place 3 points etc.
 - DNF (did not finish) 1 point more than the number of boats that finished the race.
 - DNS (did not start) 1 point more than the number of boats in the series.
 - DSQ (disqualified) 2 points more than the number of boats in the series.
2. Series ties shall be broken according to Appendix A, A8.1 and A8.2 of the US Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing for 2017-2020.

I. Time Limit

1. The time limit will be 1 1/2 hours elapsed time for each class. Yachts finishing more than 30 minutes after the first yacht finishes or after the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored DNF.

J. Number of Races

1. Per the San Juan 21 Class by laws, in the event of extreme weather conditions, one completed race shall be considered a completed regatta. In the event that no races are completed on Friday or Saturday, the event will continue onto Sunday to try to complete the series. If six (6) or more races are completed, one "throw out" race result will be removed from each of the competitor's scores. DSQ's will not be eligible to be thrown out. The throw out will be the competitor's highest, non-DSQ score for any given race.

K. Protests

1. Protesting yachts must fly a protest flag, must attempt to hail the offending boat immediately, and must notify the Race Committee immediately upon finishing the race. If these three actions are not taken, the Race Committee will not accept the protest.
2. Protests must be in writing on the proper form. Incomplete protests will be denied. Protests must be completed and given to the Race Committee within 30 minutes after the Race Committee personnel have reached shore.

L. Personal Floatation Devices

1. PFD's are required to be worn by all yacht crews during racing.

M: Class Requirements

1. It shall be the sole responsibility of each skipper of a San Juan 21 Sloop to maintain his boat in accordance with the approved specifications for the San Juan 21 Class Association. Per Class Association rules, anchors and boarding ladders will be required to be on board during racing.
2. The following exceptions to the class specifications is allowed for this event:
 - None