

Ultimate 20 Pacific Coast Championship



April 14 - April 16, 2023
Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club
Monterey, CA USA
Sailing Instructions



1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and by the Notice of Race.
- 1.2. RRS Appendix V1 shall apply
- 1.3. The first sentence of RRS 40 is changed so that competitors shall comply with the obligations of RRS 40 (wear a PFD) whether or not the Race Committee displays flag Y with one sound.

2. RESPONSIBILITY

It shall be the sole responsibility of the skipper/participants to decide whether or not to start or continue any race.

3. SAFETY

Each participant is solely responsible for his/her personal safety. However, in circumstances it considers hazardous the Race Committee (RC) and Race Officials may exercise authority to require a boat to accept help.

4. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the MPYC clubhouse, prior to 10 AM on the day they will take effect.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed by the Race Committee on the MPYC roof-top flag pole.

6. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND SCHEDULE

- 6.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions shall be posted prior to 10 AM each scheduled race day.
- 6.2. Any change to the schedule shall be posted by 6 PM the day prior to the change taking effect.

7. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

All boats shall remain in the water from 1100 on Friday, April 14 until the last race has been completed unless special permission has been obtained from the race committee.

8. SCHEDULE

The schedule shall be as follows:

- Skippers Meeting – Friday April 14th at 10 AM at MPYC clubhouse
- Race 1 - Friday with a 12 PM Warning Signal for the first Start.
- The Warning Signal for subsequent races will be a minimum of 15 minutes after the last boat finishes the previous race.
- Races on Saturday and Sunday shall have their first Warning Signals at 12 PM. No Warning signal after 3 PM on Sunday.
- Awards – Sunday after racing, in the MPYC clubhouse.

9. START AND FINISH

The Start and Finish Line shall be between an orange flag on the Race Committee boat and a nearby buoy "X".

10. MARKS

Marks of the course are described as follows:

- X Buoy together with RC boat forms the Start and Finish Line
- W1 Windward mark
- W2 Offset mark, a short, close reach from W1
- L Leeward mark

11. COURSES

11.1. The courses to be sailed are described as follows:

1. Start - W1 - W2 - Finish
2. Start - W1 - W2 - L - Finish
3. Start - W1 - W2 - L - W1 - W2 - Finish
4. Start - W1 - W2 - L - W1 - W2 - L - Finish
5. Start - W1 - W2 - L - W1 - W2 - L - W1 - W2 - Finish

11.2. All marks shall be taken to Port.

11.3. See course diagram below item 14.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM and PROTESTS

- 12.1. Competitors are encouraged to settle rules infractions on the water and avoid protests.
- 12.2. Completed protest forms shall be lodged with the Race Committee no later than 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 12.3. Protests will be heard at the MPYC clubhouse immediately following the deadline for filing. Sail numbers of boats involved will be posted on the official Notice Board. Failure on the part of any involved party, or their representative, to make an effort to attend the hearing may justify the Protest Committee to decide the outcome without a full hearing.

13. SCORING

- 13.1. The regatta shall be comprised of a maximum of eight races. A minimum of three races is required to constitute a series.
- 13.2. No scores will be excluded until five races have been completed. This changes RRS A2.

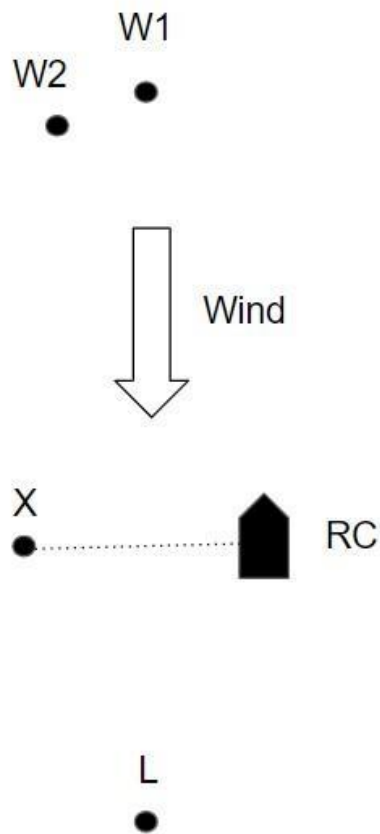
14. NOTIFICATIONS

- 14.1. Boats that withdraw or do not finish shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. The Race Committee will monitor VHF Channel 68.
- 14.2. The Race Committee will attempt to announce the sail numbers of OCS boats. Failure to hear these announcements shall not be grounds for redress.
- 14.3. Except in an emergency, a competitor shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 15.1. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4 – Decision to Race – “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”
- 15.2. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, or any other organization or official) are not 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 event. By participating in this event, 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.

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Race Courses:**



Numbered courses:

1. Start - W1 - W2 - Finish
2. Start - W1 - W2 - L - Finish
3. Start - W1 - W2 - L - W1 - W2 - Finish
4. Start - W1 - W2 - L - W1 - W2 - L - Finish
5. Start - W1 - W2 - L - W1 - W2 - L - W1 - W2 - Finish

Mark descriptions:

- X Together with RC boat, X forms the Start and Finish Line. X will be an orange inflatable cylinder
- W1 Windward mark. W1 will be an orange inflatable tetrahedron
- W2 Offset mark, a short, close reach from W1. W2 will be a large orange ball
- L Leeward mark. L will be an orange inflatable tetrahedron