



2025 Day Sailer Fleet 128 Championship
May 24, 2025
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- a. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025 - 2028.
- b. Rule 40 is changed as follows: Competitors are required to wear personal flotation devices while racing, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Flag Y will not be displayed.
- c. The Fleet 128 Invitational Regatta will follow Day Sailer Association By Laws Section 1, "Races and Regattas", however membership in the Day Sailer Association is not a requirement to participate, but is strongly encouraged. Further information and a membership application may be found here:
<https://www.daysailer.org/join-us>

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- a. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on the downstairs deck of the MBYC and posted on-line at the Regatta Network event site.
- b. On the water the Race Committee may use VHF channel 68 for communication.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Any change to these sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board before 1000 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 0900 hours..

4. SIGNALS

- a. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the MBYC Clubhouse flagpole located on the lower clubhouse deck.
- b. When flag AP is displayed ashore or on the Race Committee Boat, races not started are postponed.



- c. If racing is completed for the day the AP flag will be flown over the A flag.
- d. See section 10 for information regarding starting sequence flag signals.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- a. A competitors' meeting will be held at the MBYC Clubhouse lower deck at 1000 hours on May 23, 2025.
- b. The scheduled time of the first warning signal of each race day is 1127 hours. The warning signal for subsequent races will be made shortly after the conclusion of the preceding race. The Race Committee may alter the start of the first race at its discretion.
- c. No warning signal will be made after 1500 hours.

6. CLASS FLAGS

- a. The Day Sailer Class flag will be used.

7. RACING AREA

- a. Racing will be held within the outer breakwater of Morro Bay
- b. Attachment B, shows the Turning Basin or Fore Bay courses.
- c. Attachment C, shows the Mooring Field courses

8. COURSES

- a. The courses will be signaled with a number placard from the RC boat or the railing of the lower MBYC dock. Roman numerals (e.g. II, III) adjacent to the course number placard will determine multiple laps.
- b. Up to 5 races will be held. The race committee has the option of using windward, or leeward gates or a single mark.
- c. The diagrams and tables in Attachment A show the general arrangement of the courses and the order in which the marks are to be passed.
- d. All marks are port rounded except as noted otherwise in the course section by an "S" subscript to indicate leaving the mark to starboard.



- e. The Start / Finish line will not be restricted.

9. MARKS

- a. Marks are shown in Attachments A and C
- b. A. Marks may be flag buoys or tetrahedrons at the discretion of the Race Committee. Government aids to navigation (buoys) may also be used as a Mark (Refer to Attachment C). The shape and location of marks will be reviewed at the competitor's meeting.

10. THE START

- a. Races will be started using a 3 min "collegiate" sequence in accordance with modified RRS Appendix U (Refer to USSailing RRS 2021-2024). This is a change to rule 26. See Attachment D, for countdown timing and signal details.
- b. There will be a multi horn "alert" signal approximately 5 seconds prior to the warning horn start of the sequence.
- c. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat (or flagpole on the MBYC lower deck) and a permanent navigational mark or a starting buoy, set by the Race Committee, at the Port end of the line.
- d. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored "DNS".
- e. The start - finish and racing area for racing will be announced at the competitor's meeting. The Start - Finish line will be located between the flagpole on the MBYC lower deck and a yellow flag marker set by the Race Committee, or at a location set by the Race Committee in the Morro Bay Forebay or Turning Basin (see attachments B and C.)
- f. Boats who are identified On Course Side (OCS) after the start may be hailed on VHF channel 68. Failure to make a broadcast of the hail, the time or contents of a broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a). The Individual Recall signal, flag "X" will be flown by the Race Committee to indicate a yacht that is OCS.



- g. The General Recall flag will be used if necessary, along with two short horn blasts. The sequence will re-commence one minute following lowering of the signal. The General Recall flag will be the First Substitute flag.
- h. The "Three Minute Collegiate" starting sequence will be used with HORN SOUNDS ONLY, except that the Day Sailer Class Flag may be displayed *AT THE FIRST WARNING HORN* (T-3 minutes) and will be lowered at the start. No other flags will be used during the start sequence. Horn sounds prevail as the official countdown.

11. THE FINISH

- a. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a RC boat and the course side of the designated finish mark or between the flag staff located on the lower deck of the MBYC and Navigational Mark 14.

12. RETIRING

- a. A boat retiring on the water shall notify the Race Committee as soon as reasonably possible.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- a. Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty to redress any rule broken, any part two rule, or rule 31. Rule 44.1 (b) is unchanged.

14. PROTEST AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- a. Protest forms are available at the Regatta message board or from the PRO. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the PRO within the appropriate time limit.
- b. The protest time limit is thirty (60) minutes after the finish of the last boat in the race. The protest filing time limit will be posted on the Regatta message board.
- c. Notices will be posted no later than sixty (60) minutes after the protest filing time limit to inform boats of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.



15. SCORING

- a. Five (5) or more races may be held. Three completed races constitute a regatta.
- b. The scoring for the DaySailer Championship Regatta shall be in accordance with 2025-2028 RRS Appendix A "Low Point System" as modified. by these Sailing Instructions.
- c. Paragraph A2.1 is modified as follows: "Each boat's series score shall, subject to rule 90.3(b), be the total of her race scores ~~excluding her worst score.~~" There will be no throwouts for the DaySailer Championship Regatta.

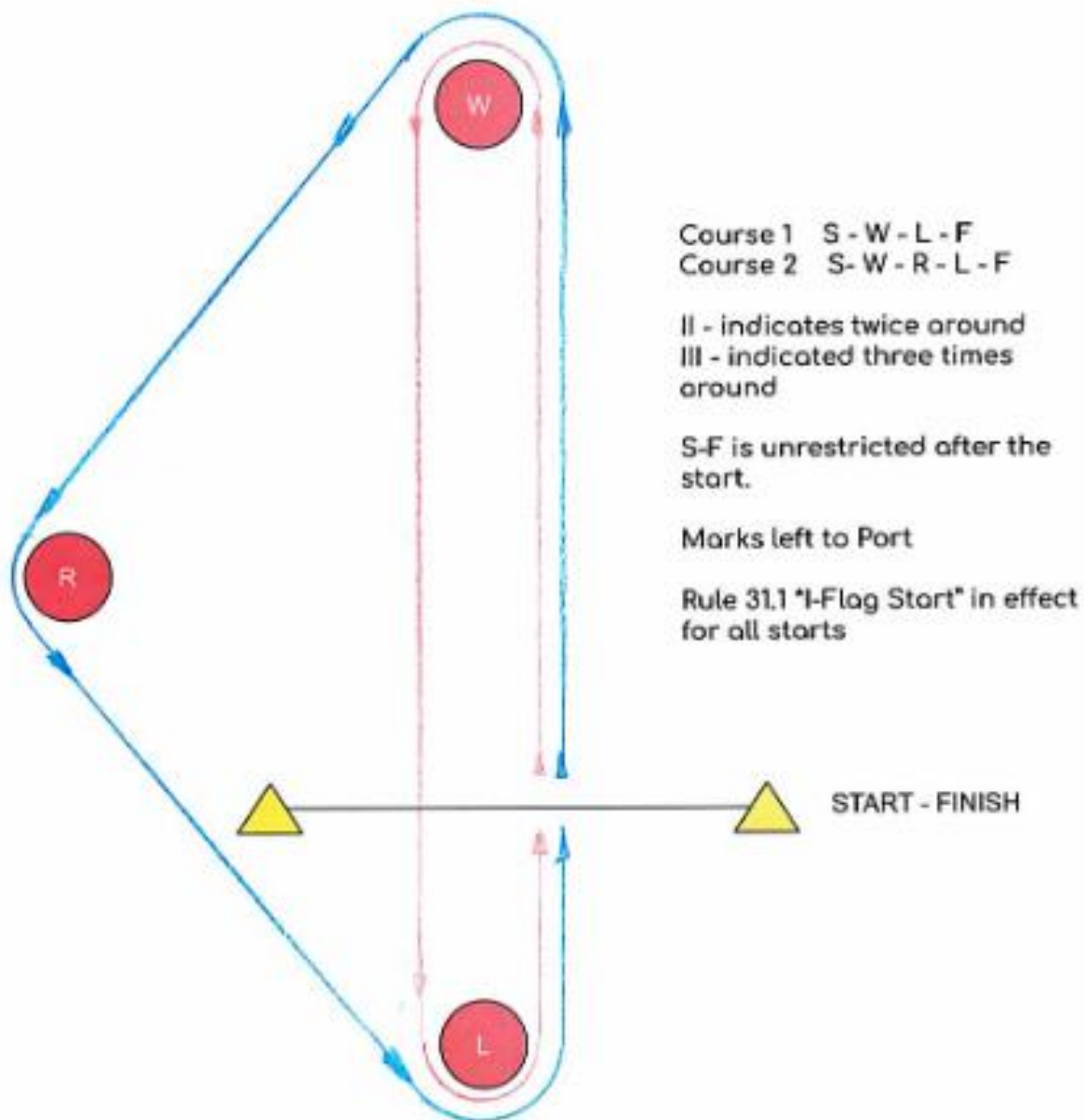
16. PRIZES

- a. Prizes will be awarded for the first 5 finishing positions.



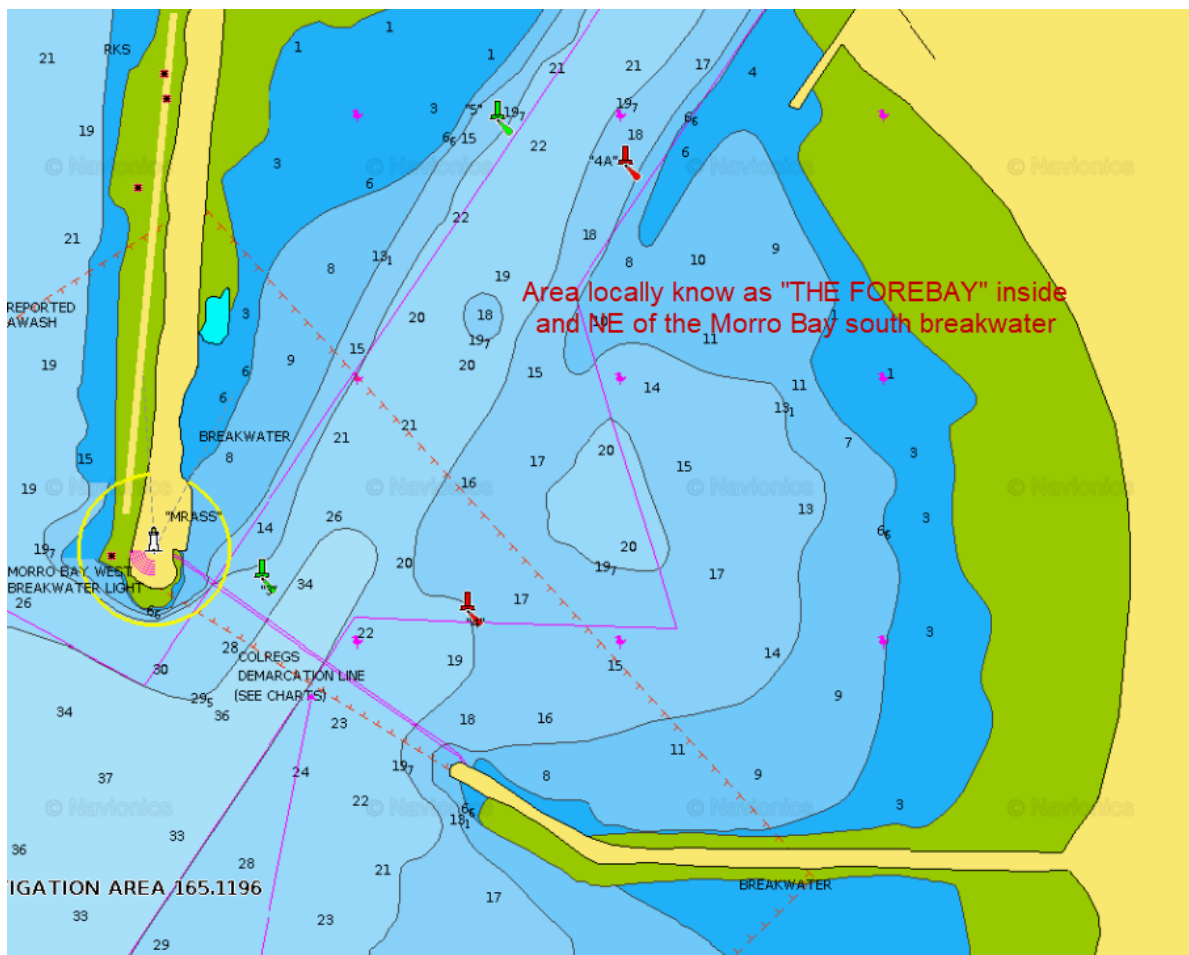
ATTACHMENT A - BUOY RACE COURSE

NOTE: May be set in the Morro Bay Forebay or Turning Basin Area - an "R" Mark is set at the Option of the Race Committee.



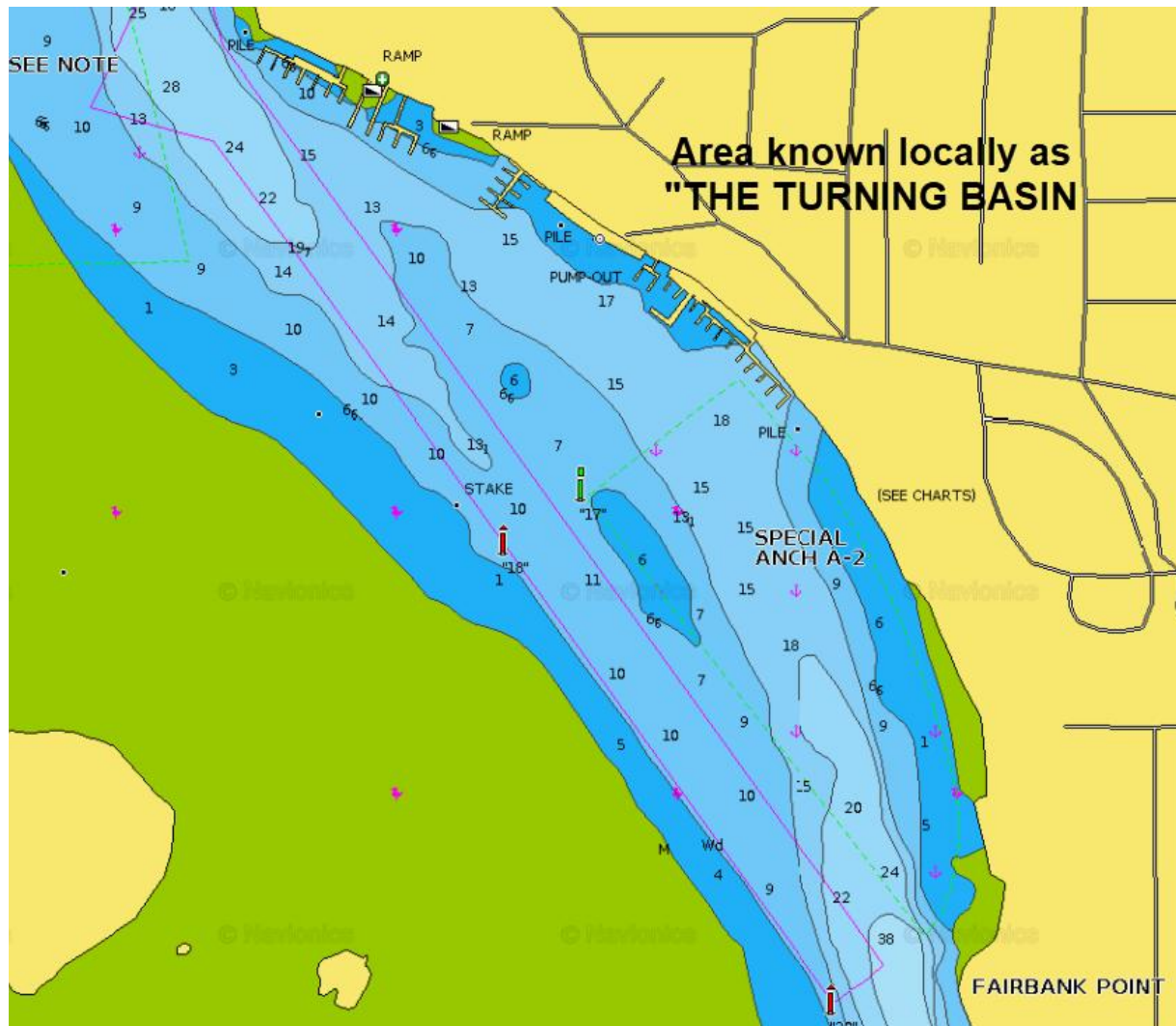


ATTACHMENT B - MORRO BAY "FOREBAY" AREA



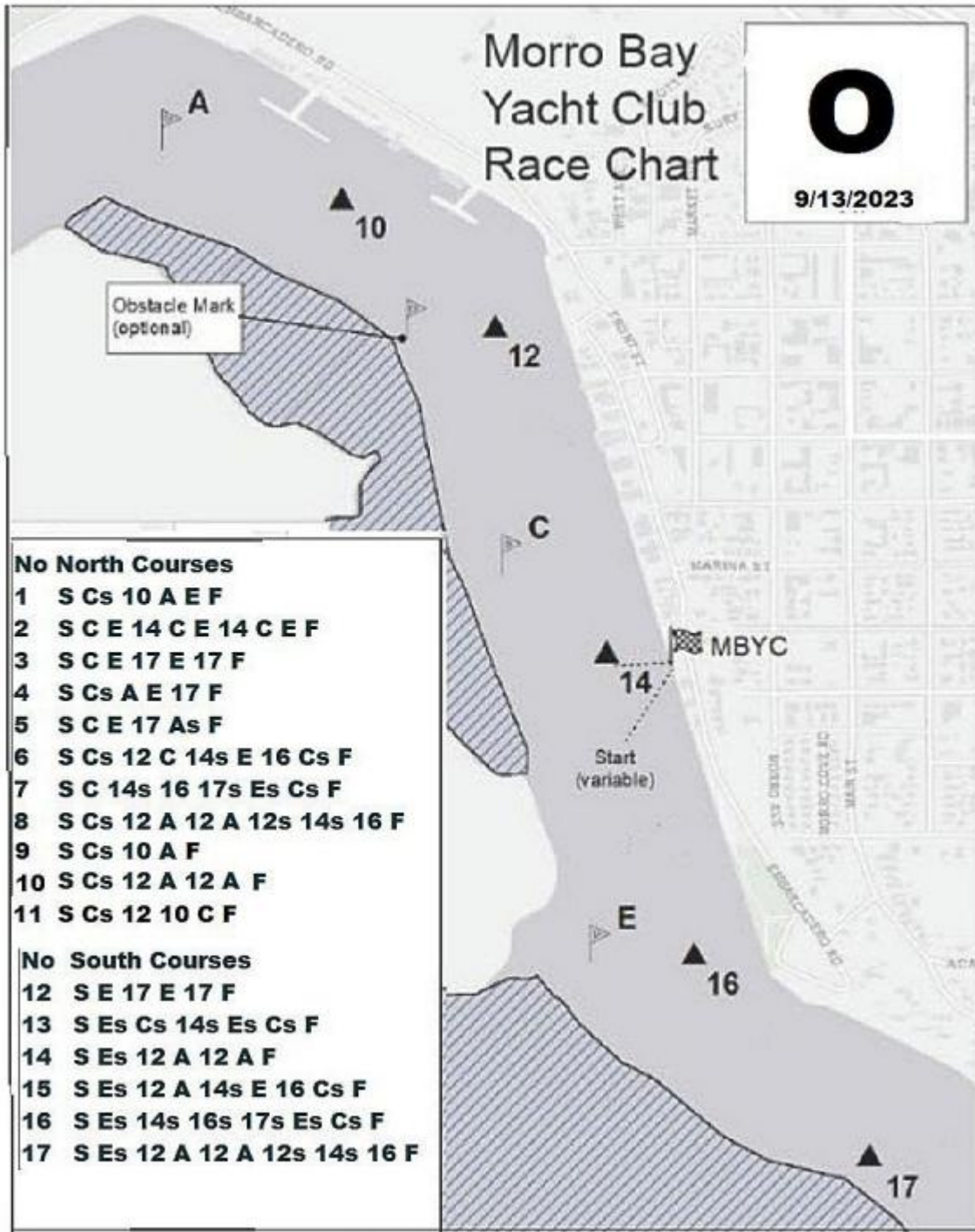


ATTACHMENT B (continued) - MORRO BAY "TURNING BASIN" AREA





ATTACHMENT C - BAY USING GOVERNMENT & MBYC SET MARKS



ATTACHMENT C (continued) - DESCRIPTION OF SAILING AREA



START / FINISH AREA ADJACENT TO THE MBYC DOCK





ATTACHMENT D - STARTING SEQUENCE AND FLAGS

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Sound</i>	<i>Time before start</i>	
Attention	Series of short sounds	Before the warning	
Warning	3 long	3 minutes	↑ DS
Preparatory	2 long	2 minutes	
	1 long, 3 short	1 minute, 30 seconds	
	1 long	1 minute	
	3 short	30 seconds	
	2 short	20 seconds	
	1 short	10 seconds	
	5 short, 1 second apart	5 – 4 – 3 – 2 – 1 seconds	
Starting	1 long	0	↓ DS