

THREE MARK FIASCO

Pursuit Race



Southwestern Yacht Club

San Diego, California

Saturday, July 19, 2025

Notice of Race

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in the [Racing Rules of Sailing \(RRS\)](#).
- 1.2 The US Prescription to RRS 63.1 is deleted. The US Sailing Prescriptions are available [here](#).
- 1.3 [DP] [US Sailing Nearshore Safety Equipment](#) is required for this regatta in addition to all required USCG boating requirements.
 - 1.3.1 Add to the US Sailing Nearshore SERs:
Items 2.4.1 – 2.4.8 from the [US Sailing Coastal SERs](#) are included and apply to all boats whose factory configurations include lifelines, stanchions, pulpits, or toe rails with the following modification:
SER 2.4.4 – Lifelines may have factory installed coating.
- 1.4 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
- 1.5 The regatta will utilize a "pursuit" or reverse handicap start.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available at the [event website](#) no later than noon on Friday, July 18, 2025.
- 2.2 The start times will be available at the [event website](#) no later than 0900 on the morning of the race and will be posted as an amendment to the SIs.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located [here](#), or through the [SWYC](#) website.
- 3.2 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board no later than 9:00am on the day of the event.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio channel 68.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all members of organizations affiliated with US Sailing.
- 4.2 The regatta is open to all boats of the following classes:
Open Spin, Open Non-Spin, SWRF, Multihull.

- Other classes may be considered at the discretion of the RC Chair. The Fleet Captain should contact Colleen Cooke, CRA RC Chair, at sailorcookie2@gmail.com or (619)852-5010.
- 4.3 Classes will be based on entries and will be assigned by the Organizing Authority. The OA retains final authority for a boat's class placement.
- 4.4 Official Class assignments for the regatta will be established and posted as an amendment to the NoR on the online regatta event site no later than noon on Friday, July 18, 2025. Provisional assignments may be posted earlier.
- 4.5 Entry shall be submitted at [the online event site](#) no later than 6:00pm Thursday, July 17, so that pursuit starting times may be obtained. Late entries may be taken at the discretion of the organizing authority (OA).
- 4.6 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.7 [DP] All boats shall have clearly visible sail numbers. Missing, improper, inconsistent, unclear, illegible, or numbers other than those used for check-in, are not permitted, and may result in being scored DNF. The RC may disqualify a boat infringing this instruction without a hearing.
- 4.8 [DP] The class numeral pennant must be flown from the backstay of all yachts, or in a prominent manner on the stern, when checking in, while racing, and when finishing. Competitors shall supply their own numeral pennant.
- 4.9 A minimum of five (5) entries are required to have a race.

5 FEES

- 5.1 The required fee is \$40 per boat.

6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 One race is scheduled for Saturday, July 19, 2025.
- 6.2 The first warning is scheduled for 11:55am.
- 6.3 The time limit for racing is 4:00pm.

7 VENUE

- 7.1 The racing area will be in the San Diego Bay. (NOAA Chart 18773).
- 7.2 The starting/finishing line will be in the vicinity of San Diego channel buoy 19.

8 COURSES

- 8.1 The RC will choose one of three possible "courses". "Courses" list three marks to be rounded in any order, in any direction.
- 8.2 Each boat will decide its start direction and sequence of marks.
- 8.3 Course lengths will range from 7 - 12nm.
- 8.4 Marks of the course may include SD buoys 12, 15, 16A, 17, 23 and 24, and the Coronado Bridge Piers 18, 19, or 20.

9 SAFETY

- 9.1 [DP] [US Sailing Nearshore Safety Equipment](#) is required in addition to all required USCG boating requirements.
- 9.2 Items 2.4.1 – 2.4.8 from the [US Sailing Coastal SERs](#) are included and apply to all boats whose factory configurations include lifelines, stanchions, pulpits and toe rails with the following modification:
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10 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1 RRS Appendix V: *Alternative Penalties* will apply.
- 10.2 RRS Appendix T: *Arbitration* will apply.

11 SCORING

- 11.1 Open Classes will be scored using a Time Correction Factor assigned by the OA.
- 11.2 The SWRF class boats will be scored using their corresponding fleet ratings.
- 11.3 Boats will be scored using Time-on-Distance.

12 RISK STATEMENT

- 12.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

13 INSURANCE

- 13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate third-party liability insurance.

14 AWARDS

- 14.1 SWYC will host an awards presentation and after-race party with FREE *Salty Crew* beer and small appetizers. All are invited to attend.
- 14.2 Guest dock space at SWYC is held on standby for this race until Monday, July 14. Dock space not requested by that date will be released. To request space at the guest dock, please contact the event chair, Patrick Twohig (see NoR 15).
- 14.2 Prizes will be awarded in each class. The number of prizes awarded in each class will be based on the number of entries.
- 14.3 The Overall Open Spinnaker Winner and the SWRF Winner will be etched on the *Three Mark Fiasco* perpetual trophy.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

Questions may be addressed to the event chair, Patrick Twohig: p-twohig@ieee.org.