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SAUSALITO YACHT CLUB

2026 SYC J/105 & J/88 Spring Invitational

March 21 - 22, 2026

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

RRS Appendix V1 and V2 shall apply. This changes NOR 1.3.

2. Safety

- (a) Competitors shall keep clear of all commercial traffic.
- (b) Propulsion: To comply with this section and avoid impeding such traffic, a boat may use auxiliary power as permitted by RRS 42.3(i), only as long as needed to clear the traffic expeditiously. In so doing she shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible. Per RRS 64 this is a discretionary penalty.

3. Notices to Competitors / Changes to Sailing Instructions

Notices to competitors or changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the event website www.regattanetwork.com/event/30942. Notices shall be posted not later than 2000 hrs on the day before it will take effect.

4. Schedule and Class Flags

- (a) First Warning will be at 1130 hrs each day. The starting order for the first race each day will be as follows.

J/105	Green flag with white "J" logo
J/88	White flag with black "J" logo

- (b) The starting order for subsequent races each day may change.
- (c) Starts will not be rolled. Three races are intended to be run for both fleets each day. The Warning Signal for subsequent races shall be made as soon as practicable.

5. Communications

- (a) On-the-water radio communications between the Race Committee (R/C) and racing boats will be on VHF channel 63A.
- (b) The R/C may hail boats that are OCS. Failure to make such a hail or the inability of a competitor to hear a hail for OCS or any other information or the order in which boats are hailed shall not relieve her of her responsibility, nor shall it be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.4(b)(1).
- (c) RRS 90.2(c) is amended to allow oral changes to the Sailing Instructions on the water. In the event the R/C needs to communicate oral changes, they shall raise the "L" flag and attempt to hail competitors on the above VHF channel.
- (d) From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, or when retiring from a race, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive any voice or data communication that is not available to all boats

6. Check-in and Retire

- (a) All boats shall show their sail number to the Race Committee by sailing past the signal boat on a starboard tack prior to the first warning signal.
- (b) A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

7. The Start

The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and the course side of a green conical mark or the staff of an orange flag on a pin boat.

8. Courses and Marks

Courses and mark descriptions are defined in Attachment A. Courses are designated by numbered placards displayed on the signal boat.

9. Change the Next Leg of the Course

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark of a different color (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

10. The Finish

The DOWNWIND finish line for Courses 1 and 2 will be between the staff or halyard displaying a blue flag on the signal boat and the course side of an orange conical mark at the port end. For Course 3 the finish line will be between the staff or halyard displaying a blue flag on the signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of an orange conical mark at the port end.

11. Time Limit

Time limit is 90 minutes for the first boat to finish. Boats not finishing within 15 minutes after the first boat in their division that sails the course and finishes, and not thereafter retiring, being penalized or given redress, will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

12. Protests and Hearing Requests

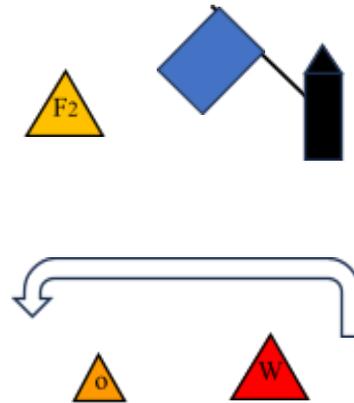
- (a) The Protest time limit is midnight on the day of the race.
- (b) Hearing requests shall be submitted by email to the Chief Judge and PRO at the emails listed below. This changes rule RRS 60.3(b).
- (c) Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: "(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in and did not see the incident, or".
- (d) Notices to inform competitors of a hearing in which they are parties will be posted on the Online Notice Board on the event website as soon as possible after the Protest time limit.
- (e) Hearings are scheduled for 1900hrs on the Thursday after the race, and will be held in person and / or on Zoom.

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Principal Race Officer	Jeff Zarwell	jzarwell@yahoo.com	415-595-8364
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Attachment A - Courses and Marks

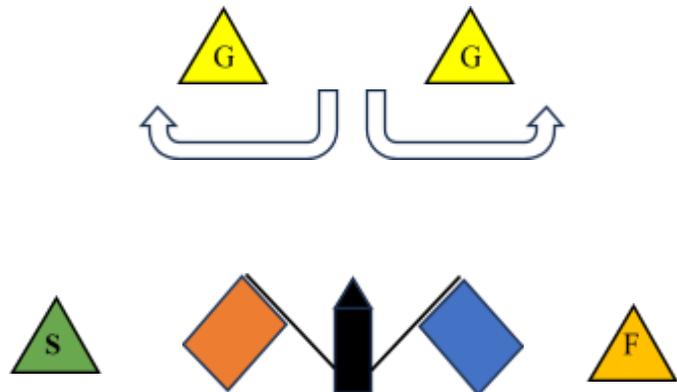
Courses

1	S - W - o - F
2	S - W - o - G - W - o - F
3	S - W - o - G - W - o - G - F2



Description of Marks

S	Green conical mark
W	Red conical rounding mark
o	Small orange conical mark
G	Yellow conical marks
F	Orange conical mark
F2	Orange conical mark



Course diagram is not to scale or proportion

All marks shall be taken to port, except “G” (gate). For gates, boats shall pass between the gate marks from the direction of the last mark, then may round in either direction. In the event the “o” offset is missing it shall be disregarded.

If a gate mark is missing, the remaining mark will become a rounding mark that shall be taken to Port.