

THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB



29er National Championship

July 11-13, 2025

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority: The San Francisco Yacht Club, Belvedere, California

1 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 Rule 40.1 will apply at all times when boats are in the racing area, and on their way to and from the racing area. Competitors shall wear a personal flotation device (PFD), which relies on foam for buoyancy, approved by the U.S. Coast Guard, or for international competitors, the equivalent authority of their home country. "International competitors" is defined as: sailors whose permanent residence is outside the United States.
- 1.3 International 29er Class Rule C.10.3(a)(vi), concerning all-women teams carrying a red rhombus shape on their mainsail, will not apply.
- 1.4 RRS G3 (Chartered or Loaned Boats) shall apply. Non-complying sail numbers must be approved in advance by the OA.
- 1.5 International 29er Class Rule C.10.3 regarding mainsail identification shall apply except as modified by 1.3 and 1.4 above.
- 1.6 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available by 1800 hours on July 9 on the website www.sfyc.org > On the Water > Regattas.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board is located on the west wall of the SFYC clubhouse. The NOR and sailing instructions, and amendments thereto, will also be posted online at www.sfyc.org > On the Water > Regattas. Hearing notices will be posted on a separate online platform, with links from the above website and in the sailing instructions.
- 3.2 On the water the race committee will use VHF radio channel USA 65A (1065 on newer VHF's).
- 3.3 From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This includes mobile phones.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all competitors sailing boats of the 29er Class who have met all relevant class membership requirements, completed registration and check-in, and paid all event fees prior to the deadlines.
- 4.2 All competitors that are residents of the United States shall be current members of the US 29er class association. Competitors shall be current members of the US 29er class association or their home country's class association.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration found at www.sfyc.org > On the Water > Regattas
- 4.4 All competitors, or their parent or guardian if the competitor is under the age of 18 as of the start of

the event, must complete a waiver of liability as a condition of eligibility.

- 4.5 All competitors under the age of 18 as of the start of the event shall be accompanied for the duration of the event by a responsible adult who shall be named in the Parent/Guardian Consent Form.
- 4.6 No entries will be accepted after 1700 hours on July 9.

5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee is \$400, if received by 1700 hours PDT on June 11. After that time a \$100 late fee will be charged.
- 5.2 Entry fees include boat storage during the regatta, Thursday night regatta kick-off dinner, post-racing refreshments all three days, regatta-shirt for skipper and crew, and trophies for the top boats.
- 5.3 Registrations cancelled on or before June 30 will receive a 50% refund. No refunds will be issued thereafter.

6 SCHEDULE

The schedule of events is as follows:

Monday, July 7 - Thursday, July 10

Boats may arrive in the SFYC parking lot.

Boats shall not launch or use the docks **until after 4pm daily**.

Thursday, July 10

1400-1700 Check-In
1800 Regatta Welcome Dinner

Friday, July 11

0900-0945 Late Check-In
1000 Competitors Meeting - SFYC Cove House
1200 First Warning Signal
After racing snack

Saturday, July 12

1200 First Warning Signal
After racing snack

Sunday, July 13

1200 First Warning Signal
1530 No initial warning signal for a race after this time
After Racing Awards and social with snack

12 races are scheduled, 4 each race day. 3 races must be completed to constitute a series.

7 VENUE

The racing area will be in the vicinity of Knox, west of Angel Island.

8 COURSES

The courses and marks will be described in the sailing instructions, and will be windward-leeward type.

9 SCORING

When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10 SUPPORT PERSON BOATS

- 10.1 All support person boats must register with the OA prior to the event start date. The emergency plan for support vessels will be provided electronically after registration. Support boats may be required to display flags supplied by the OA for identification purposes.

- 10.2 During racing, support person boats shall monitor the race committee VHF channel and remain more than 150 yards from the course area, or any boat racing, except when asked to enter the course to assist by the race committee, or in the event of an emergency.
- 10.3 All support person boats shall act as rescue boats if so instructed by the race committee.

11 BOAT PARKING

- 11.1 Boats and trailers shall be parked in the designated area in the SFYC parking lot.
- 11.2 Support person boats may be launched at SFYC and shall be docked at the guest dock in front of the SFYC Clubhouse, at the direction of SFYC staff. Trailers may be required to be moved to a close off-site location.

12 RISK STATEMENT

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk and subject to the terms and conditions of the SFYC liability release and photo waiver.

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 PRIZES

- 13.1 The top finishing boat will be awarded the 29er National Championship trophy.
- 13.2 Take home trophies will be awarded to the skipper and crew of the top 3 boats overall.
- 13.3 Take home trophies will be awarded to the skipper and crew of the top 3 all female boats and the top junior boat (both skipper and crew under 17 years of age on December 31, 2025).

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

Regatta Chair - Ben Xu - linbinxu@gmail.com

SFYC Race Office - (415) 789-5647 or race@sfyc.org

PRO - Forrest Gay - forrest@sfyc.org

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RIGHT TO USE NAME & LIKENESS

By participating in this event, all competitors automatically grant the organizers and sponsors the right to make, use and show, at any time and at their discretion, any photographs or videos of him or her produced during the period of the event without compensation.

CHARTER BOATS

A limited number of 29er charter boats are available through the US 29er Class Association. Inquiries may be sent to US29erClass@gmail.com

HOTEL

The Lodge at Tiburon has a special event rate for this regatta. It is walking distance from the Club. Individual guest reservations can be made by calling the hotel directly (800) 762-7770. Guests need to make reservations on or before Saturday, June 7, 2025 (cut-off date) in order to receive the special room rate. Guests should identify themselves as a member of the **San Francisco Yacht Club Youth Regatta Room Block**.

<https://lodgeattiburon.reztrip.com/ext/promoRate?property=1626&mode=b&pm=true&sr=1033799&vr=3>