StFYC TEAM RACE INVITATIONAL



November 1-2, 2025

Organizing Authority (OA): St. Francis Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation [NP] in a rule in the NOR means it shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, Appendix D Team Racing Rules, and any Federal, State and Local ordinances with jurisdiction over this event. Any changes to rules in the RRS will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 The <u>US Sailing Prescriptions</u> to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 are deleted.
- 1.3 RRS 17 is deleted.
- 1.4 [NP] [DP] Rule 40.1 will apply when boats are in the racing area and on their way to and from the racing area.
- 1.5 Addendum EQUIPMENT LIST applies, and also applies to any practice sailing and sponsor races.
- 1.6 Addendum HANDLING PROVIDED BOATS applies, and also applies to any practice sailing and sponsor races.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on October 29, 2025 at the event website.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at the event website.
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio. One will be provided with each boat at the start of the event.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel shall be stated in the SIs.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Ten (10) teams will be invited. If you wish to be invited, please apply at the StfyC TEAM RACE INVITATIONAL
 Form with your name, address, phone number, yacht club, and sailing resume.
- 4.2 Only teams invited by the OA, and who confirm acceptance of the invitation as described below will be eligible to enter this event. To remain eligible an invited skipper shall confirm acceptance of the invitation in writing via e-mail to be received by the date and time specified in the invitation. A non-refundable \$150 entry bond mentioned in NoR 4.4.1 below shall accompany the acceptance of the invitation to be valid. In addition, the team shall complete all other reasonable requests of the OA.
- 4.3 The team shall complete registration, pay any entry fee, arrange for the damage deposit mentioned in NoR 7.1 below. All payments shall be made by credit card or Club charge if a member of StFYC.
- 4.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a skipper shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees:
- 4.4.1. A non-refundable entry bond in the amount of **\$150** shall accompany the acceptance of the invitation to be valid
- 4.4.2. The entry fee is \$2,400 which includes the \$150 entry bond.

5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee is \$2,400 per team including the \$150 non-refundable entry bond, but not including the additional damage deposit per boat (NOR 7.2). All payments shall be made at the event website by September 17, 2025.
- 5.2 All entry fees on or after October 17, 2025 are non-refundable.
- 5.3 The entry fee includes practice on Friday, To-Go lunch during race days, and post racing social events on Saturday and Sunday.
- 5.4 Additional dinner tickets for friends and family can be purchased online during the registration process or on the event-website.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 The schedule is as follows:

Date	Time	Event	Location
Friday, November 1	1100 - 1700	Registration	StFYC Race Office
	1100 - 1700	Optional Practice	On the water
Saturday, November 2	0800-0930	Registration	StFYC Race Office
	0900	Competitors' Meeting	
	1100	First Warning Signal	On the water
	After Racing	Social & Debrief	
Sunday, November 3	0900	Competitor#s Briefing	
	1100	First Warning Signal	On the water
	After Racing	Social & Awards	

6.2 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1600.

7 DAMAGE DEPOSIT

- 7.1 Each supplied boat is insured by the OA for third-party liability insurance.
- 7.2 All skippers will be required to provide a \$2,000 damage deposit prior to the start of racing by providing credit card information or StFYC member number at registration. The deposit is a per-incident maximum, and includes damage to boats or race committee vessels. If a skipper has more than one incident, she is then liable for up to \$2,000 for each individual incident. The OA may require the damage deposit to be restored to its original amount before a team will be permitted to continue racing. Skippers should be aware that while the Dock Staff will attempt to identify all damage at the post-regatta inspection, often this is not possible due to the nature of the damage. The skipper is responsible for all damage, even if it is discovered only after the post-regatta report is completed. In the event that there is material damage not covered by insurance and no one acknowledges responsibility (e.g., crews are rotated among the boats and no one reports the damage), the cost of repairs will be charged to all the designated skippers on a prorated basis.

8 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- 8.1 Each competing team shall consist of 2 boats with 3 or 4 sailors per boat.
- 8.2 All registered team members shall be members or spouses of members of the club they are representing.
- 8.3 Each helmsperson shall be a member of US SAILING or their National Governing Body.
- 8.4 All registered crew shall sail all races.
- 8.5 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event, the OA may authorize an original crew member to substitute.
- 8.6 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorize a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

9 EVENT FORMAT

- 9.1 The planned format is multiple round robins amongst either all competing teams. If time permits, mini-round-robins and/or knock-out matches may be run. The format and number of races will be described in the Sailing Instructions and at the Competitors' Meeting.
- 9.2 The OA intends to provide J/22 type boats for racing in the event. Each boat will have the following sails: Mainsail and Jib.

- 9.3 Boats will be allocated by draw and pairing list. Boats may also be assigned during any stage by the OA or RC.
- 9.4 The OA or RC may require rotation of sails for any reason. Rotation of sails by the OA or RC shall not be grounds for redress by a competitor. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 9.5 While all reasonable steps are taken to equalize the boats, variations will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.
- 9.6 The intended racing area will be the City Front of San Francisco Bay. See Addendum 'Racing Area'.

10 UMPIRING

10.1 It is the intention for the regatta to be umpired in accordance with Appendix D, as modified by the sailing instructions.

11 PROTESTS

11.1 When practicable, protests and redress requests will be heard on the water, as modified by the sailing instructions.

12 VENUE

- 12.1 The event will be hosted at the St. Francis Yacht Club 700 Marina Boulevard, San Francisco, 94123, CA, USA.
- 12.2 Addendum 'Driving Map' shows the location of the event venue.
- 12.3 Addendum 'Racing Areas' shows the location of the racing area(s).

13 [NP] MEDIA, IMAGES, and SOUND

- 13.1 The OA has the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of any charge.
- 13.2 Competitors shall not interfere with the normal working of the OA-supplied media equipment.

14 PRIZES

- 14.1 Prizes will be given to the first, second and third place teams.
- 14.2 Prizes not claimed at the prize giving ceremony will remain with the organizing authority.

15 RISK STATEMENT

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.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

16.1 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this race participate entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The race organizers (OA, Ratings Authority, Race Committee, Protest Committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be 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 race. By participating in this race, 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.

17 RIGHTS TO USE NAME, LIKENESS, AND PERSONAL INFORMATION

17.1 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

17.2 Additionally, competitors automatically grant the organizing authority and race officials the right to use their personal contact information, including but not limited to a current email address and cell phone number, for the purpose of race administration and regatta communications.

18 **FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please go to www.stfyc.com or contact:

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Addendum 'Driving Map'



Addendum 'Racing Area'

