

Coronado 15 North American Championship

August 9-11, 2024



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organizing Authority for the 2024 Coronado 15 North American Championship will be:
The Santa Barbara Yacht Club (SBYC), 130 Harbor Way, Santa Barbara, CA 93109

The notation [NP] in a *rule* means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that *rule*. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

The notation [DP] in a *rule* means that the penalty for a breach of a *rule* may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, Rule V1 – Penalties at the time of the incident will apply.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1130 on the day they will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors and amendments to these Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board located on the event website – <https://www.sbyc.org/2024-c15-na-championship>.
- 3.2 The race office is located at the Santa Barbara Yacht Club - 130 Harbor Way, Santa Barbara, CA 93109, on the southwest corner of the building.
Telephone – (805) 965-8112, ext 114. Email – racing@sbyc.org.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee intends to communicate with competitors via loud hailer.
- 3.4 The following communications may be made by the race committee:
 - Course number
 - Count downs to warning, preparatory, and start signals
 - Shortened course for one or more fleets
 - Abandonment of one or more fleets
 - On course side boats or general recalls

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SBYC flagpole.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 Time	Event	Location
Thursday, August 8		
1700	Entries Close	
Friday, August 9		
1000-1145	Qualifications Check-In & Weigh-In	SBYC Fleet Room

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1200	Competitor briefing	SBYC Fleet Room
1400	First Warning Signal	
After Racing	Hors D'oeuvres	SBYC Lower Deck

*A total of five races are scheduled for all fleets.

Saturday, August 10 **Championship Racing - Day One**

1130	Competitor briefing	SBYC Lower Deck
1300	First Warning Signal	
Post racing	Dinner	SBYC

*A total of five races are scheduled for all fleets.

Sunday, August 11 **Championship Racing - Day Two**

1300	First Warning signal	
1530	No warning signal after this time	
Post racing	Hors d'oeuvres and awards	SBYC

*A total of four races are scheduled for all fleets.

6 CLASS FLAGS AND ORDER OF STARTS

Class flags will be:

- Qualification series - Numeral Pennant '1'

Championship Series:

- A Fleet - Numeral Pennant '1'
- B Fleet - Numeral Pennant '2'

7 RACING AREA

The racing area for all races will be the Santa Barbara Channel, within 2 miles of SBYC and will be described in further detail at the competitor meeting.

8 THE COURSES

The diagrams in 'Attachment C – Course Chart' show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Turning marks will be inflatable shapes of colors consistent with those shown in 'Attachment C - Course Chart'.
- 9.2 The starting pin will be an orange inflatable tetrahedron.
- 9.3 Windward mark 'W' will be an orange inflatable tetrahedron.
- 9.4 The leeward gate will consist of a pair of yellow inflatable tetrahedrons.
- 9.5 New marks as provided in instruction 12.1 and 12.2, will be:
- a.) A green inflatable mark to replace 'W'
 - b.) A yellow inflatable mark with a black band to replace a gate mark.
- 9.6 The finishing pin will be an orange ball.

10 OBSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1 The areas defined by lines commencing at the nearest shores and connecting each contiguous City of Santa Barbara swim buoy are designated as obstructions. Boats shall not sail into that area. [DP]

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10.2 Visiting Cruise Ships including a 100-yard perimeter around the vessel are designated as obstructions. [DP]

11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made five (5) minutes before the starting signal.

11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

11.3 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes rule A4.

11.4 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (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. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the mark may not yet be in the new position.

12.2 To move the leeward gate, the race committee will set the new mark at one end of the gate and an original mark at the other.

12.3 The race committee may, without signal, move a mark to change the direction up to 10 degrees or the length up to 10% of the previous length, provided that no boat is sailing to the mark. This changes rule 33.

13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat at the port end and the course side of the starboard-end finishing mark as shown in 'Attachment C – Course Chart'.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

Appendix V, Rule V1 will apply: The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while *racing*. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'

15 TARGET TIMES AND TIME LIMITS

15.1 The target time for each race is 20-30 minutes. Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

15.2 Any boat not finished within 10 minutes of the first finisher will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF).

16 HEARING REQUESTS

16.1 Hearing request forms for protests, requests for redress, and reopening of a hearing are available at the front desk of SBYC. Hearing request forms shall be delivered to the SBYC front desk and shall be submitted within the appropriate time limit.

16.2 For all classes, the protest time limit is within 60 minutes of the Race Committee's return to the dock.

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- 16.3 Protest times and locations will be posted on the official notice board no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 16.4 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day; no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.
- 16.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 For qualification, the low-point scoring system of Appendix A will apply except that a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 17.2 For the championship, the low-point scoring system of Appendix A will apply except that when fewer than six races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 17.3 Two races must be completed to constitute a series.

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP]

- 18.1 Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the OA.
- 18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the OA. Requests for substitution shall be made to the OA at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after race.

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS [DP]

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions. A valid measurement certificate shall be presented upon request by any regatta or fleet representative.

20 SUPPORT TEAMS [NP][DP]

Team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

21 PRIZES

Take home trophies will be awarded to both skipper and crew as follows:

- Top 3 in the Qualification Series
- Top 3 in A division
- Top 3 in B division

22 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.

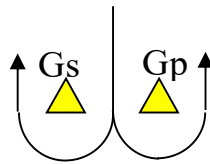
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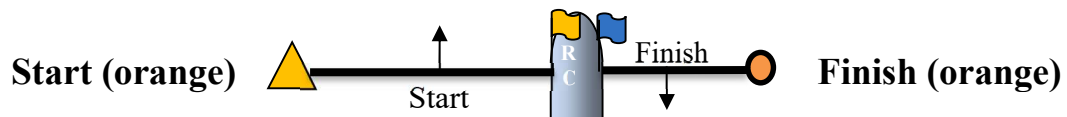
Attachment C - Course Chart



Windward (orange)



Gate (yellow) "Gs / Gp"



Course = Start – W – Gt – W – Finish

Marks W shall be rounded to port.

Mark Gs shall be rounded to starboard.

Mark Gp shall be rounded to port.