Santa Barbara Yacht Club

Fiesta Cup

July 20-21, 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority for the 2024 Fiesta Cup Regatta 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. ADVERTISING

[DP] Advertising is limited as defined in the class rules of each fleet.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The regatta is open to members in good standing of an approved one-design class and of a US Sailing member club or equivalently recognized sailing organization. Approved one-design classes include: J/70, Melges 24, and members of the Santa Barbara Harbor 20 Fleet 4.

3.2 At least three boats must enter to establish a class.

3.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form available at https://sbyc.org/fiesta-cup and submitting the required entry fee to the Santa Barbara Yacht Club by the entry deadline of July 20 at 1000.

4. CREW

[DP] Crew members shall meet class requirements regarding ISAF competitor classification.

5. FEES

5.1 Entry Fees are as follows:

- Harbor 20: $120
- J/70: $140
- Melges 24: $160

5.2 Entries submitted prior to end of day on July 17, 2024 shall receive a $20 early entry discount. Entry fee includes Saturday Beach Party with live music and dinner, awards, and post-race appetizers following racing on Sunday.

5.3 Additional tickets for the Saturday Beach Party are $25 per person.

6. RESERVED

7. SCHEDULE

7.1	Time	Event	Location
	Thursday, July 18		
	0900	Trailers allowed in the SBYC lot after this time	
	Saturday, July 20	***Racing Day One (Melges 24, J/70, Harbor 20)***	
	1000-1100	Check-In / Packet Pick Up & Regatta Merchandise Sales	SBYC Lower Deck
	1100	Competitor briefing	SBYC Lower Deck
	1300	First Warning Signal	
	Post racing	Fiesta Cup Beach Party – food & live music	SBYC Beach
	*A total of four races are scheduled for all fleets.		
	Sunday, July 21	**Racing Day Two *(Melges 24, J/70, Harbor 20)***	
	1230	First Warning signal	
	1530	No warning signal after this time	
	Post racing	Hors d'oeuvres and awards	SBYC
	*A total of three races are scheduled for all fleets.		

8. MEASUREMENT

[DP] A valid measurement certificate shall be presented upon request by any regatta or fleet representative. Additional measurement checks may be conducted during the regatta at the discretion of the Organizing Authorities.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available online at https://sbyc.org/fiesta-cup approximately two weeks prior to the event and at registration.

10. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

10.1 Notices to competitors and amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board located on the event website – https://sbyc.org/fiesta-cup.

10.2 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.

10.3 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 71.

10.4 The following communications may be made by the race committee on VHF radio channel 71:

- 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

11. VENUE

11.1 The Santa Barbara Harbor, the Santa Barbara Yacht Club, and its end tie dock are as shown in 'Attachment B – Harbor Map'.

11.2 The racing venue shall be the Santa Barbara Channel within 2 miles of SBYC.

12. COURSES

A course chart will be attached to the Sailing Instructions. Courses will be a windward-leeward buoy configuration as described therein.

13. 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.'

14. SCORING

14.1 For the Melges 24, Harbor 20, and J/70 classes, 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.

14.2 Two races must be completed to constitute a series.

15. BERTHING

15.1 [NP][DP] Dry Storage - Out of town boats and trailers may be stored at the west end of the Santa Barbara Yacht Club parking lot starting at 9:00 am on Thursday, July 18 through Wednesday, July 24 in the morning. Guest vehicles will be allowed in the SBYC parking lot for brief duration while loading and unloading trailers and equipment. Upon arrival to SBYC, call the front desk at (805) 965-8112 or use the telecom for entrance into the lot. Park trailers in designated areas. When boats are ready to be launched, a hoist key is available at the front desk of SBYC. ***Information on available hoists is described in detail under 'logistics' on the event page https://sbyc.org/fiesta-cup.*** Trailers may need to be dense packed once boats are launched.

Once equipment is unloaded, guests are asked to park in the Santa Barbara Public Parking Lot (fees may apply). Locations of both lots and additional parking options are shown in *'Attachment B – SB Harbor Map'.*

15.2 [NP][DP] Wet Storage - Once boats have been launched, they may be rafted off of end tie D as shown on 'Attachment B – Harbor Map'. Boats may be rafted four deep and three long. Additional rafting storage may be available off of the Youth Foundation dock or at other locations and assigned at check in.

16. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

[NP][DP] Boats shall remain in the water for the duration of the regatta except with prior written consent from the race committee for repairs.

17. PRIZES

Take home trophies will be awarded to the top finisher(s) in each class, based on participation. The Fiesta Cup Perpetual Trophy will be engraved with the winner from each class.

18. 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.**

19. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with adequate limits for this event, or the equivalent.

20. FURTHER INFORMATION

For more information please contact the following:

SBYC Race Office, Brad Schaupeter: (805) 965-8112 / racing@sbyc.org
Regatta Chair, Jane Watkins: (805) 886-9212 / janewatkinssb@gmail.com
Event Website: https://sbyc.org/fiesta-cup
Santa Barbara Yacht Club: 130 Harbor Way, Santa Barbara, CA 93109.

Other Events

SBYC invites Fiesta Cup competitors to participate in SBYC's famous 'Wet Wednesday' races the Wednesdays preceding and following the Fiesta Cup (information available online at https://www.sbyc.org/wet-wednesday – there is no entry fee for guest boats). The Santa Barbara to King Harbor Race takes place the Friday following the Fiesta Cup (two events with only one delivery).