



OPEN WEST COAST CHAMPIONSHIP

November 8-9, 2025

Mission Bay Yacht Club

1215 El Carmel Place, San Diego, CA 92109



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organizing Authority for the 2025 West Coast Championship will be:
The Mission Bay Yacht Club (MBYC) and UC San Diego Sailing Team (UCSD)

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, the Inter-Collegiate Sailing Association (ICSA) Procedural and Class Rules, and by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 In the event of a disagreement between the Notice of Race (NOR) and these Sailing Instructions (SI's), the SI's will take precedence.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors and changes to the sailing instructions may be announced verbally at the rotation area or competitor meetings and may be posted on the notice board located online at <https://scores.collegesailing.org/f25/west-coast-championships/notices/>. Results will be posted as soon as possible online at <https://scores.collegesailing.org/f25/west-coast-championships/>.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1000 on the day it 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.

4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

4.1 Saturday, November 8

Time	Event	Location
0930	Report time & Check-in	MBYC
0930	Boats Available	
0945	Competitor Meeting	MBYC
1030	First warning signal	Near harbor entrance

Sunday, November 9

1000	Report Time
1030	First warning signal
1500	No Warning Signal after this time

4.2 No more than 14 races per division will be sailed.

5. ROTATIONS / BOATS

5.1 A team consists of A and B double-handed divisions. Boats (CFJ's) and sails are provided. Boat rotations will be online at <https://scores.collegesailing.org/f25/west-coast-championships/rotations/>.

5.5 Divisional rotation area will be the MBYC Junior Dock.

6. RACING AREAS

The racing area will be Mission Bay to the east of the MBYC Junior Clubhouse.

7. COURSES

Courses will be chosen from 'Attachment A – Course Chart' and will be hailed before the beginning of each start sequence. Courses may also be posted on the Race Committee Signal Boat.

8. MARKS

Turning marks will be as shown in 'Attachment A – Course Chart' and described below unless otherwise specified by the race committee:

- The course marks will be orange buoys.
- The finish U pin will be a white buoy.
- The finish D pin will be an orange buoy.
- The starting pin will be an orange flag.

9. THE START

9.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark as shown in 'Attachment A – Course Chart'.

9.2 The starting sequence shall be as described in Procedural Rule 18 (b).

10. ON COURSE SIDE (OCS)

The RC may attempt to hail the sail number of a boat OCS, but failure to receive or hear this

hail shall not be grounds for redress. The order in which boats are hailed shall not be grounds for redress. It is each boat's responsibility to start correctly.

11. CHANGE OF COURSE

Marks may be moved as necessary to maintain a course configuration or change course length, but no mark shall be moved when any boat is on the leg that it terminates. A leg of the course may not be deleted. (Changes RRS 32.2 and 33)

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1 The upwind finishing line ('Finish U') will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC finish boat and the course side of the port-end finishing mark as shown in 'Attachment A – Course Chart'. The RC Finish Boat may use the offset mark as the finish pin if no windward mark is in the water.
- 12.2 The downwind finishing line ('Finish D') will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat and the course side of the finishing mark as shown in 'Attachment A – Course Chart'.

13. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 13.1 There will be no time limit.
- 13.2 Target times for races will be as outlined in ICSA Procedural Rule 18(c)(ii).

14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Protest forms will be available at the rotation area.
- 14.2 Protesting boats must notify the RC of their intent to protest immediately following the finish of the race in which the incident occurred. They must also notify the competitor they are protesting.
- 14.3 Protests and request for redress must be delivered to the regatta official no later than 20 minutes after the last boat reaches the shore, after the set of races in which the incident occurred.

15. SCORING

Scoring shall be completed as described in the Procedural Rules.

16. RECORD OF PARTICIPATION

Record of Participation (RP) forms must be completed online at ts.collegesailing.org by 11:59pm after the last scheduled day of sailing.

17. SUPPORT BOATS & COACHING

The host will provide on-water support. Coaching will be done from the rotation area.

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.**