



Sailing Instructions
Silver Fleet Champs Regatta
Santa Cruz Sailing Team
May 2-3rd, 2026



1. Rules

- a. The regatta will be governed by the ICSA Procedural Rules, the Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US SAILING (US Sailing prescriptions to rule 63.3c is deleted); the rules of the CFJ Class or PCCSC regarding Collegiate FJ's (except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions, or the ICSA Procedural Rules); the Notice of Race, and these Sailing Instructions (SI) including their Appendices. In case of conflict, the SI and any amendments and Appendices will prevail.

2. Notices To Competitors

- a. Notices will be posted on the official regatta notice board (Techscore) or made orally to all competitors on the water.

3. Changes In The Sailing Instructions

- a. Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 10:30 on the day they take effect, except for any changes to the schedule of races, which will be posted by 18:00 on the day before they take effect.

4. Schedule

- a. Saturday, 2nd May
 - 0930 Report time, registration
 - 1000 Competitors' Meeting
 - 1100 1st warning, racing to continue throughout the day
- b. Sunday, 3rd May
 - 1000 Report time
 - 1100 1st warning, racing to continue throughout the day
 - 1500 No start after this time

5. Racing Area

- a. The Race course will be set just north of the harbor mouth, in view of the beach/spectating area. See Appendix A for map diagram.

6. Course

- a. See Appendix B for course charts.

7. Marks

- a. The starting pin will be an orange buoy. The windward mark and reach marks will be set using red triangles. The leeward gates will be set with yellow marks.

8. Start/Finish

- a. Races will be started in accordance with RRS Rule Appendix S as modified by the ICSA Procedural Rules.
- b. The start line will be between an orange/red flag or shape on a race committee boat and a small orange buoy. The finish line will be between a flag or shape on a race committee boat and a small orange buoy.

9. Recalls

- a. Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with ICSA Procedural Rules. The race committee will attempt to hail a yacht's sail number; however, it is the responsibility of each yacht to make a proper start. Failure to be hailed or hear a hail is, in itself, insufficient cause for granting redress.
- b. General recalls will be signaled in accordance with ICSA Procedural Rules (multiple whistles and no visual signal, and the '1 minute rule' shall be in effect after any general recall.)

10. Retirement

- a. A yacht that retires from a race shall notify a race committee boat before leaving the racing area. If that is not possible, the competitor shall notify a regatta representative immediately after arriving ashore.

11. Penalties

- a. The one-turn and two-turn penalties described in RRS Rule 44.1 will apply.

12. Protests

- a. Protests shall be filed by hailing the race committee after finishing the race in which they occurred.
- b. Protests that do not materially affect the standings of the affected parties are strongly discouraged.

- c. Competitors are reminded that it is far more pleasant for all involved to exonerate themselves on the water using the Alternative Penalties described in SI 11 and RRS Rule 44.1 than to necessitate a protest hearing.

13. Coaching

- a. Coaching shall be done from the beach.
- b. Any spectators on the water shall have no contact with any competitor except when rendering assistance under RRS Rule 1, or as instructed by the race committee.

14. Participation

- a. With the exception of RRS Rule 4, each school shall compete in all scheduled races. Any school breaking this rule, without permission from the race committee, is subject to severe disciplinary actions by the PCCSC.
- b. Unless competing or serving on the race committee, no competitor shall be on the water.

15. Boat Launching And Retrieval

- a. Competitors are to launch their boats using the launch ramp directly adjacent to the UCSC Boating Center.
- b. At least one member of the UCSC Sailing Team will be at the ramp to oversee boat launches and retrievals. Competitors shall listen to their instructions and attempt to expedite the launch and retrieval process at all times.
- c. At least two sailors shall accompany each boat that is in the queue for the ramp and be prepared to move their boat/dolly at all times.
- d. Rigging boats in the ramp queue, draining boats for an excessively long period of time, or any other action that inhibits traffic flow or shows a lack of basic consideration for others is strictly prohibited.

16. Rotations

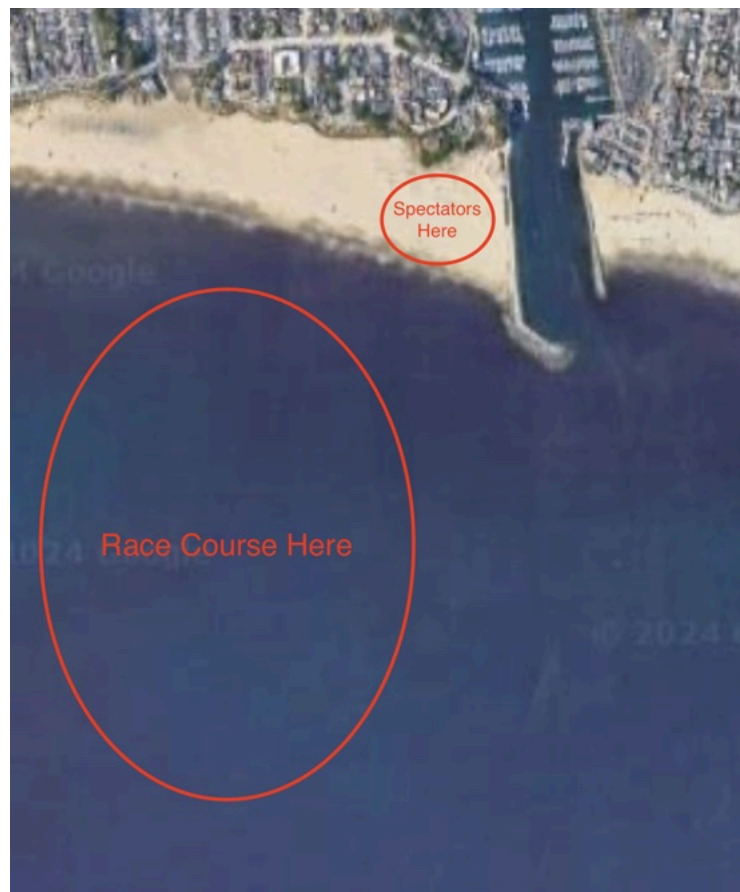
- a. Competitors are to use their own boats (or the boats they chartered) for all rotations.
- b. Rotations will take place on the AA dock, clearly marked in Appendix C.
- c. Competitors are to take extreme caution upon entering and exiting the harbor mouth, both in keeping to the deepest part of the mouth, and staying wary of breaking swell.

- d. At least one safety boat will monitor rotations at all times and will declare when it is safe to traverse the harbor mouth. Competitors shall listen to their instructions and attempt to expedite the rotation process at all times
- e. If competitors fail to follow the safety boat's instructions when entering or exiting the harbor, they will be **disqualified**.

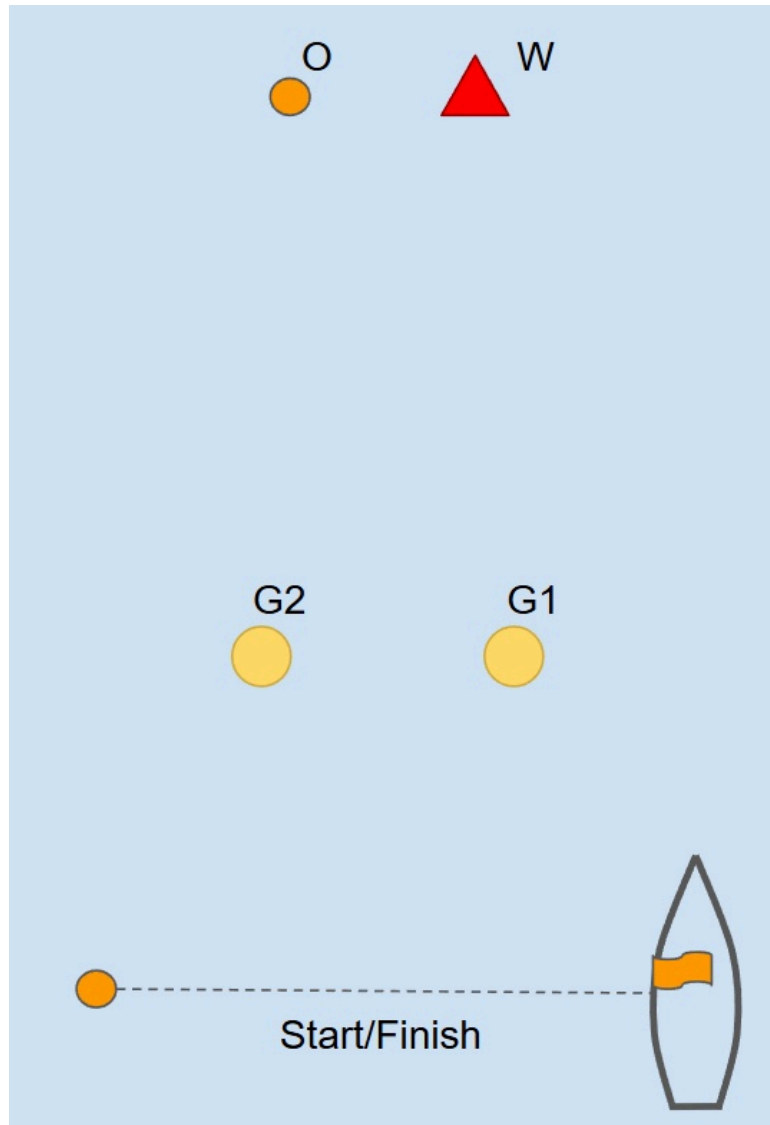
17. Thank You

- a. The UCSC Sailing Team is honored for the opportunity to host this regatta, and without your enduring support, we would not be able to do so. We are also in great debt to the UCSC Boating Center for providing the facilities and equipment that made this regatta possible. Thank You!

Appendix A: Racing Area Map Diagram



Appendix B: Course Charts



W4: S, W, O, G1/G2, W, O, F

W6: S, W, O, G1/G2, W, O, G1/G2, W, O, F

Appendix C: AA Dock/ Rotation Area

