

# Women's World Match Racing Tour - Casa Vela Cup

Racing on May 28-31, 2025

Practice on May 27, 2025

Organizing Authority (OA): St. Francis Yacht Club

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The following abbreviations apply to this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions:

*SI: Sailing Instructions*

*RC: Race Committee*

*NoR: Notice of Race*

*OA: Organizing Authority*

*[NP]: A boat may not protest as per NoR 1.3*

*RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing*


*PC: Protest Committee or International Jury*

*NoS: Notice of Series*

*WS: World Sailing*

*[DP]: Discretionary Penalty*

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in the Notice of Race and Notice of Tour.
- 1.2 If umpires proceed under RRS C8.7 they will be guided by Addendum '[DAMAGE PENALTIES](#)'.
- 1.3 RRS Race Signals AP is changed to read: When Race Signal AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes'.
- 1.4 RRS 32.1 is deleted and replaced with: 'After the starting signal, the RC may abandon or shorten any match for any reason, after consulting with the match umpires when practical'.
- 1.5 Within a flight, when a visual signal is displayed over a numeral pennant, the signal applies to that match only. This changes Race Signals.
- 1.6 Change C8.2 to include 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, and 2.18 of Addendum '[Handling Provided Boats](#)' in the list of rules in the first sentence.
- 1.7  Addendum EQUIPMENT LIST applies.

### 2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Amendments to the SIs made ashore will be posted by 0845 on May 28, 2025, and 0900 on May 29, 30 and 31, 2025 except changes to the first skippers' briefing time which will be posted by 1900 on the day before the change occurs.
- 2.2 Flag L over the numeral pennant of the most recent amendment will be displayed ashore each day until the boats have departed for the race course.
- 2.3 Amendments made afloat will be signaled by the display of flag 3rd substitute with three sound signals. An umpire may communicate amendments either verbally or in writing with no flag.

### 3 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted online on the Official Notice Board at [the event website](#).
- 3.2 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the StFYC Race Deck.
- 3.3 Skippers shall attend the briefings held at the StFYC on May 28, 2025 at 0845 and on May 29, 30 and 31 at 0900 unless excused by the OA.
- 3.4 Umpires will be available to provide a debrief following the completion of racing each day.
- 3.5 All teams are requested to monitor VHF 69 between stages as the RC may broadcast pairing information for the next stage.
- 3.6 The umpires may also provide pairing information to the competitors verbally. Failure to receive these notifications will not be grounds for redress.
- 3.7 Competitors may contact the RC on VHF 69 in emergencies, to report damage, or in response to a request from the RC.

### 4 BOATS AND SAILS

- 4.1 Boats will be identified by bow numbers.
- 4.2 Boats will be assigned in accordance with the pairing list. See Addendum 'PAIRING SHEET and BOAT ROTATIONS'.
- 4.3 The sail combination to be used will be signaled from the RC boat with or before the warning signal.

The signals shall have the following meanings:

No Signal: Mainsail, Jib and Spinnaker

Flag T (Tango): Mainsail, Jib, no spinnaker & the spinnaker pole must be stored underdeck.

4.4 At a mark of the course, the RC may display Flag T with multiple sounds to indicate that no spinnakers shall be used on that lap of the course.

4.5 Other restrictions or instructions may be given to the boats verbally by an umpire. Flag 3rd substitute is not required.

## 5 FLIGHTS AND MATCHES

5.1 The intended time of the first attention signal is 1023 each day.

5.2 Each subsequent flight will be started as soon as practicable after the previous flight.

5.3 The match to be sailed in a flight will be displayed by numeric pennant on the RC Signal Boat.

5.4 The next flight number will be displayed from the stern at the RC Signal Boat's digital board.

5.5 The RC may change the format, terminate any stage or the event when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of matches under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled.

5.6 Early stages may be terminated in favor of later stages.

5.7 The number of matches to be sailed will be determined by the Race Committee.

## 6 COURSES

6.1 Course signals will be displayed from the bow at the RC Signal Boat at or before the warning signal.

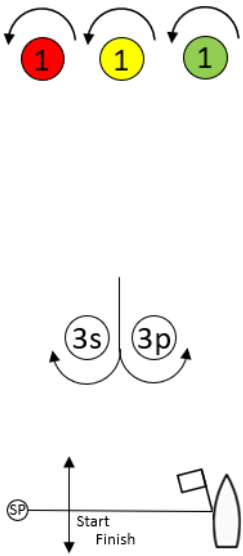
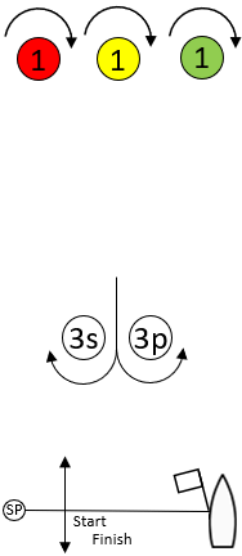
6.2 The courses and mark rounding order are described in SI 7.1.

6.3 Mark 3s/3p is a Gate.

6.4 If a gate mark is missing and has not been replaced with an object displaying Flag M, the remaining gate mark shall be rounded to port.

## 7 MARKS / STARTING AND FINISHING LINE

7.1 Configuration (not to scale)

Course 1 - W/L Port Rounding Leeward Finish		Course 3 - W/L Starboard Rounding Leeward Finish	
			
Signal	Mark Rounding Order	Signal	Mark Rounding Order
11	Start - 1 - Finish	31	Start - 1 - Finish
12	Start - 1 - 3s/3p - 1 - Finish	32	Start - 1 - 3s/3p - 1 - Finish

- 7.2 The start and finish mark 'SP' will be a small red inflatable cone or a RC rib.
- 7.3 The shape of mark 1 will be inflatable cones. The color of mark 1 will be indicated by displaying a flag of the same color on the starting vessel; however, the absence of a color flag means boats shall sail to the primary windward mark. The color of the mark will be displayed no later than the warning signal. This flag will be removed in case of a course change.
- 7.4 Gate marks will be yellow inflatable cones.

## 8 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 8.1 RRS 33 is changed as follows: If flag C is displayed on a board together with a color and repeated sound signals at the gate, the position of mark 1 has changed. The new mark 1 will be the same color as on the board.
- 8.2 A leeward mark or finish line mark may be adjusted without signaling a course change and while boats are on the first half of the leg. This changes RRS 33.

## 9 BREAKDOWN and TIME FOR REPAIRS

- 9.1 Before the attention signal of a flight, or within two minutes of finishing, or within five minutes of changing into a new boat, whichever is later, a boat may display flag L and hail the RC or umpires on VHF to signal breakdown or damage to the boat, her sails or injury to her crew and request a delay to the next start. She shall proceed as soon as possible to a position close to leeward of the RC boat and remain there, unless otherwise directed.
- 9.2 The time allowed for repairs shall be at the discretion of the RC.
- 9.3 After the attention signal of a flight, a match will not be postponed or abandoned due to breakdown unless the breakdown signal was displayed as required by SI 9.1.
- 9.4 Except when RRS 61.4(b)(2) applies, failure to effect repairs in the time allowed, or breakdowns after the attention signal, shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.

## 10 STARTING PROCEDURE

- 10.1 Match warning signals will be numeral pennants indicating the match number to be started.
- 10.2 The flight number will be displayed on the RC signal boat with a digital board or numeral placards.

## 11 TIME LIMIT

A boat that does not finish within five (5) minutes after her opponent has completed the course and finished will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35 and A5.

## 12 FURTHER INFORMATION

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## **SI ADDENDA**

Addendum 'ELIGIBLE SKIPPERS'

Addendum 'PAIRING SHEET and BOAT ROTATIONS'

Addendum '[Handling Provided Boats](#)' - separate document

Addendum '[EQUIPMENT LIST](#)' - separate document

Addendum '[DAMAGE PENALTIES](#)' - separate document

### **Addendum 'ELIGIBLE SKIPPERS'**

SKIPPER	WS WOMEN's RANK May 2025
Courtois	1
Östling	2
Aartsen	5
Coutard	6
Blecher	18
Breault	27
Baab	29
Bayless	42
Hjorth	97
Cornetta	NR

### **Addendum 'PAIRING SHEET and BOAT ROTATIONS'**

Pairing Sheets and Boat Rotations will be handed out at the daily competitors' meeting and will be available at [the event website](#).