



*Harbor 20 Fleet 4 presents:*  
**Miramar Anchor Down**  
September 20, 2025

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Organizing Authority for the 2025 Miramar Anchor Down will be:  
Santa Barbara Harbor 20 Fleet 4

*The Santa Barbara Harbor 20 Fleet 4 invites all to come join for a fun anchor down race to Miramar Beach and return. Bring your own lunch and refreshments at the anchor down. Hors d'oeuvres and Al's famous Margaritas will be provided by the Harbor 20 Fleet 4 after arrival back at the SBYC end-tie. For more info, please contact Trey Pinner ([trey@sbpropertygroup.com](mailto:trey@sbpropertygroup.com)) and Lee Cushman ([leecushman1@gmail.com](mailto:leecushman1@gmail.com)).*

### **1. RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, applicable rules for the Harbor 20 class.
- 1.2 The notation [NP] in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.
- 1.3 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.
- 1.4 US Sailing prescriptions to rule 63.2 will not apply.
- 1.5 Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, Rule V1 – Penalties at the time of the incident and Rule V2 – Post-Race Penalties will apply.
- 1.6 Failure to comply with orders from the United States Coast Guard, Santa Barbara Harbor Patrol or any other recognized authority is grounds for disqualification without hearing at the discretion of the Race Committee. This Changes Rule 63.1. [DP]
- 1.7 Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: '(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or'.

### **2. ENTRY & ELIGIBILITY**

- 2.1 Eligible boats may enter the race by submitting a completed race entry form to the Santa Barbara Yacht Club no later than 1000 on the day of the race. Race Entry Forms are available online at <https://www.sbyc.org/racing>. Exceptions are at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 2.2 There is no entry fee for this race.
- 2.3 A minimum of 5 boats must be entered in the race by September 17<sup>th</sup> or the race may be abandoned by the Organizing Authority.

### **3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS**

- 3.1 Notices to competitors and amendments to these Sailing Instructions will be posted at <https://sbyc.org/racing> under the event heading.
- 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](mailto:racing@sbyc.org).
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 71.
- 3.4 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

#### 4. **CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made verbally on the water or at the competitor briefing, provided no race is currently in progress.

#### 5. **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the race committee boat which will be stationed near the SBYC End Tie.

#### 6. **SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 1030 Mandatory competitor meeting. ***All boats and skippers shall report to the SBYC end tie for inspection.*** Two good size fenders and dock lines are required for rafting.
- 1100 First warning signal. Start off the SBYC end tie, race to the Miramar cove anchor down or raft of race committee boat
- 1230-1400 Bring your own lunch and refreshments
- 1400 Warning signal for a return race back to SBYC End Tie or sooner at the discretion of RC
- 1630 Trophy presentation along with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at End Tie D.

#### 8. **CLASS FLAGS**

The class flag will be numeral pennant 6.

#### 9. **COURSE**

Race 1 - Start off the SBYC End Tie – Green Bell Buoy to port – finish between the committee boat and a mark set off the Miramar hotel.

Race 2 – Start between the committee boat and a mark set off the Miramar hotel – Green Bell Buoy to starboard – Finish at the SBYC End Tie.

#### 10. **SHORTENED COURSE**

The course may be shortened at the discretion of the Race Committee.

#### 11. **MARKS AND RESTRICTED AREAS**

11.1 Green Bell Buoy is located approximately 1/2 nautical mile from the Santa Barbara Harbor Entrance and is a large green channel marker / bell buoy.

11.2 Boats shall not enter the area designated by the line between the white swim buoys along the beach. This line shall be considered an obstruction. Boats that enter this area shall immediately exit the area and retire from the race and continue to sail to Miramar for the fun. [DP]

#### 12. **START**

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

12.2 The starting lines will be described at the competitor meeting.

#### 13. **FINISH**

13.1 The finishing lines will be described at the competitor meeting.

13.2 All boats shall dock at the SBYC End Tie for awards presentation or they shall be considered unsocial without a hearing. This changes RRS 63. [DP]

#### **14. PENALTY SYSTEM**

14.1 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.'

14.2 Appendix V, Rule V2 – Post Race Penalties will apply:

- (a) Provided that rule 44.1(b) does not apply, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident may take a Post-Race Penalty at any time after the race until the beginning of a protest hearing involving the incident.
- (b) A Post-Race Penalty is a 30% Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rule 44.1(a) applies.
- (c) A boat may take a Post-Race Penalty by delivering to the arbitrator or a member of the protest committee a written statement that she accepts the penalty and that identifies the race number and where and when the incident occurred.

#### **15. TIME LIMIT**

If no boats have finished by 1630 the race will be abandoned. Boats failing to finish within 60 minutes after the first boat in its class will be scored "DNF".

#### **16. HEARING REQUESTS**

16.1 Hearing request forms for protests, requests for redress, and reopening of a hearing are available at the SBYC Front desk or through the US Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing App. Hearing request forms may be emailed to [racing@sbyc.org](mailto:racing@sbyc.org) or delivered to the SBYC Race Office and shall be submitted within the appropriate time limit.

16.2 The filing time limit for protests or requests for redress about an incident observed in the racing area is within 60 minutes of the filing boat's finish time. The filing time limit for other hearing requests is 60 minutes after the relevant information is available to the filing party.

16.3 Hearing 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 Boats wishing to retire from a race shall notify the race committee of their desire to do so no later than 1700 hours on the Saturday following the race they wish to retire from unless that retirement is a subject of a protest or arbitration hearing.

#### **17. SCORING**

Appendix A will apply, except that a boat's series score shall be the sum of all her scores. If there is a tie in points for the first place, the tie will be broken per Appendix A of the RRS.

#### **18. RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP]**

Boats may monitor VHF Channel 71 for instructions from the race committee.

#### **19. AWARDS**

Awards will be presented to the top finishers in addition to special categories.

#### **20. SOCIAL ACTIVITIES**

There will be cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at the SBYC End Tie.

**21. 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.**

**22. FURTHER INFORMATION**

Questions regarding this race may be directed to:

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