THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB



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2019 Melges 24 West Coast Championship August 16-18

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority: The San Francisco Yacht Club, Belvedere, California

1 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the prescriptions of US Sailing, and the rules of the International Melges 24 Class Association (IM24CA).
- 1.2 Rule 40 is changed as follows: All competitors shall wear personal flotation devices while racing, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Flag Y will not be displayed.
- 1.3 The sailing instructions may change additional racing rules.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to boats of the Melges 24 Class that meet the obligations of the Class Rules and the IM24CA Rules.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration found at www.sfyc.org > On the Water > Regattas. Only online registrations will be accepted. Entries are not complete and valid until full entry fee payment is received.
- 2.3 No entrees will be accepted after August 14.

3 FEES

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$200 if registration is completed and paid no later than August 7.
- 3.2 If paid after August 7 the entry fee is \$250.





COLUMBIA GORGE ONE DESIGN
July 26-28, 2019
Columbia Gorge Racing Association (CGRA)
Cascade Locks, OR



WEST COAST CHAMPIONSHIP August 16-18, 2019 San Francisco Yacht Club Tiburon, CA



September 13-15, 2019 Santa Cruz Yacht Club Santa Cruz, CA

4 SCHEDULE

4.1

Friday	0900-0945	Check-In (SFYC Sailing Center)
	1000	Competitors' Meeting (SFYC deck)
	1200	First Warning Signal
Saturday	1200	First Warning Signal
Sunday	1200	First Warning Signal
	1600	No Warning made after this time

4.2 7 races are scheduled, with 3 on Friday, 3 on Saturday, and 1 on Sunday.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available after 1600 hours on August 14 at The San Francisco Yacht Club and on the website, www.sfyc.org.

6 VENUE

The racing area will be in the vicinity of the Berkeley Olympic Circle.

7 THE COURSES

- 7.1 The standard courses will be windward/leeward style and will be described in the sailing instructions.
- 7.2 Sunday's race may be a "Bay Tour" style race, using YRA marks. This will be described in the sailing instructions.

8 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 8.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turn Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 8.2 Unless the course is shortened at the windward mark, penalties for incidents that take place while in the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg may be delayed and taken as soon as possible after rounding the offset mark. This changes RRS 44.2.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 3 races must be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2 When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 6 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10 BERTHING

- 10.1 The SFYC guest docks will be available for competitors from August 15 through August 19.
- 10.2 Boats may be assigned other berthing within the SFYC Harbor.

11 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

All boats shall remain in the water after the first race until the conclusion of the event, unless the PRO has approved a written request for haul-out in order to inspect for damage or perform repairs.

12 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 12.1 The race committee may use VHF USA channel 65A to communicate information about the races.
- 12.2 Except in an emergency, or when retiring from a race, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

13 PRIZES

Trophies will be given to the top 3 boats overall.

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

15 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000 USD per event or the equivalent.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

PRO – Forrest Gay SFYC Race Office, 415-789-5647, race@sfyc.org

SOCIAL EVENTS

Friday After racing, complimentary beer and snacks. Saturday After racing, complimentary beer and snacks.

Sunday After racing, trophy presentation on the SFYC deck with complimentary beer and

snacks.

PARKING

Parking in the SFYC lot will be restricted during the regatta. Two parking passes will be issued per boat, one of which may be used for a trailer. Passes may be picked up at the SFYC Race Office on Wednesday or Thursday, or at the entrance to the lot on Friday.