



Club 420 Association  
2016 North American Championship  
August 18-21, 2016  
Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club  
211 West 22<sup>nd</sup> St, San Pedro CA 90731



## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1. Date and Venue

The 2016 Club 420 Association North American will be held at the Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club, CA with racing from August 18-21, 2016. The Organizing Authority Is Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club in conjunction with the Club 420 Class Association.

### 2. Organization and Rules

2.1. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (US SAILING), the rules and by-laws of the Club 420 Association, and this Notice Of Race, except as any of these are changed by the Sailing Instructions or any appendices to the Sailing Instructions.

2.2. No competitor shall use, either on or off the water, alcoholic beverages (beer, wine or distilled spirits) or use any controlled substance (marijuana, cocaine, etc) the possession of which is unlawful. This prohibition is in effect during the entire event, from date and time of arrival through date and time of departure from the event. Penalties for a violation of the prohibition may range from a reprimand to dismissal from the regatta. A hearing will be held generally in accordance with the recommendations of Appendix M of the Racing Rules. The hearing officers may also recommend further action under Rule 69. The officers for a hearing regarding a violation of this prohibition will consist of the Chief Judge, acting as chairperson of the hearing and the Jury. The Event Chairperson shall serve ex-officio as a non-voting member of the panel and will have a right to express his or her views during the course of the hearing process.

2.3. The official language for this regatta will be English.

### 3. Eligibility

3.1. Skipper and crew of each boat are required to be current members of the Club 420 Association.

3.2. Individuals who will be twenty two years old (or older) in 2016 cannot compete in this regatta.

3.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form on [YachtScoring.com](http://YachtScoring.com) and paying the required fee by August 17, 2016.

### 4. Risk

It is the competitor's decision to enter the regatta and to start or continue any race. The competitors are ultimately responsible for the risks. The competitor will accept full responsibility for all his/her actions during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

## **5. Format of the Regatta**

If there are more than 80 boats registered the regatta may be divided into divisions and use the format of a qualifying series followed by a championship series. If less than 80 boats are registered then the fleet may be kept together.

## **6. Schedule of Events**

Wednesday, August 17

1300 – 1700 Registration and check-in

1800 Competitors meeting with snacks

Thursday, August 18

0900 c420 Class Annual Meeting in Clubhouse

1200 First Warning

1900 (after sailing) Food

Friday, August 19

1200 First Warning

1900 (after sailing) Food

Saturday, August 20

1200 First Warning

1900 (after sailing) Dinner

Sunday, August 21

1200 First Warning

1500 No Warning Signal After  
Awards to follow racing

## **7. Course and Racing Area**

7.1. The course will be published in the Sailing Instructions

7.2. Races will be held in the Pacific Ocean off of San Pedro, CA.

## **8. Scoring**

8.1. The Low-Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A, will be used as modified below.

8.2. One race is required to complete the regatta. If divisions are established, a race shall consist of all divisions completing a course with results that may be scored.

8.3. A boat's worst finish may be discarded when five races have been completed. A boat will only receive one drop for the entire regatta if five races are sailed.

## **9. Sailing Instructions**

Sailing Instructions are available on line at [YachtScoring.com](http://YachtScoring.com) and will be also be available during on-site check-in / registration. A link to Yacht Scoring will be on the c420 site [www.club420.org](http://www.club420.org).

## **10. Protests**

A boat is required to inform the Start or Finish Boat of the boat being protested immediately after finishing and no later than the start of the next race.

## **11. Safety**

11.1. Parents/guardians/or competitors 18 or over at the time of the start of the event are responsible for the safety of the competitors. It is the responsibility solely of the parent(s) of the competitors, or in the instance of the competitor who is 18 or over, the competitor, to decide if the competitor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. Parents of competitors under 18 not personally attending any part of the event must ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their child.

11.2. Competitors must wear a US Coast Guard approved personal flotation device (PFD), properly secured at all times, from dock to dock except when temporarily adding or removing clothing. Wet suits, dry suits and inflatable PFD's do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy. This changes c420 Class Rule 4.1.

11.3. A whistle shall be attached by a lanyard to the PFD. The lanyard shall be long enough to permit the sailor to use the whistle while wearing the PFD. Competitors not complying with this instruction shall be given a penalty of five (5) points for each race in which they have failed to observe this instruction.

11.4. All Club 420 boats are subject to a safety/inspection check.

## **12. Coach and support boats**

All coach boats shall register and shall prominently fly a designated flag from a staff, supplied by the Race Committee, at all times while on the water. Coaches are required to monitor their VHF radio and be available to assist with safety issues as requested.

## **13. Liability**

Participants compete entirely at their own risk. A waiver must be signed by all competitors and their parent/guardian if the competitor is under 18.

## **14. Entry fee**

14.1. Competitor registration is online at [YachtScoring.com](http://YachtScoring.com).

14.2. Competitors may register anytime up until 1600 on August 17, 2016.

14.3. The entry fee will be \$325.00 per Club 420 boat if registration and payment are made before 1700 August 10, 2016. The registration fee after 1700 August 10, 2016 will be \$375.00.

## **15. Prizes**

Prizes will be awarded in the following categories:

Overall: 1st through 5th

Top Girls: 1st (both skipper and crew are female)

Top Juniors: 1st (both skipper and crew under 17 throughout all of 2016).

## **16. Designated Adult**

16.1. Each competitor under 18 shall identify in writing a parent or adult representative that shall be responsible for the competitor throughout the event.

16.2. For each competitor under 18, it is the competitor's parents' (or designated adult) decision to enter the regatta and to start or continue any race. The adults supervising the competitors are ultimately responsible for the risks.

16.3. The designated adult will accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

**17. Right to Use Name and Likeness**

By participating in the Club 420 Association North American Championship a competitor automatically grants to the organizers and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the period of the competition without compensation.