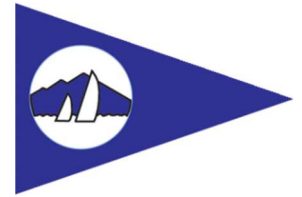


SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Lake Mission Viejo Yacht Club
Top Skipper Championship



1. **ORGANIZING AUTHORITY** - The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Lake Mission Viejo Yacht Club.
2. **RULES** - The Regatta Series will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the Prescriptions of US Sailing, the rules of each class, LMVA rules and by the Sailing Instructions.
3. **FLEET** - The Regatta will be held in the 14.5 Keel boats owned by the lake association.
4. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY** - The Regatta is open to LMVYC skippers by invitation from the Commodore only. Skippers must sign-in prior to the Skippers Meeting.
5. **REGATTA ORGANIZATION** - The Organizing Authority may opt to modify the schedule of events should there be any issues with the LMVA supplied boats or total number of sailors.
6. **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS** – Skippers will sail races in the 14.2 Keel Lake boats. Each skipper will rotate in/out of the races per the Rotation Schedule. Should there be a tie, a final race will be run to determine the Top Skipper. Breaks between races will be determined by the Race Committee as needed.

Skippers Meeting	12:00
1 st Warning Signal	12:59
7. **START** - The starting procedure is detailed on the Course Chart. Start and finish lines will be between the staff bearing an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and the staff bearing an orange flag at the port end. There will be one start; the Class Flag is blue.
8. **THE COURSE** - The course(s) will be those shown from the Top Skipper Regatta Course Chart. Placards on the Race Committee boat will display courses.
9. **MARKS** - Marks will be those shown on the Course Chart.
10. **SCORING** - RRS A2 is applicable, except that no score will be excluded. The Low Point System will apply, except that a skipper that did not compete, did not start, did not finish or was on course side will be scored the number of entries for the day, plus one. This changes RRS A4.2 and A9.
11. **PENALTY SYSTEM** - The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: “A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing.
12. **TIME LIMITS** - Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored “Did Not Finish”. This changes RRS Rule 35. If a boat in last place is delaying the next start, the Race Committee may terminate the race and score that boat’s points equal to last place.
13. **CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted after the Skippers Meeting on the day of the regatta.
14. **PROTESTS** - Sailors are expected to compete fairly and take their penalty turns when they are at fault. In event of a dispute, attempts should be made to resolve matters between the concerned parties. If that does not work, protests shall be written on the form available at the Club room and delivered to the Race Chair within one hour after the last race. Preliminary Round protests with scoring implications will be heard at the break.