

MELGES 32 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 2010



NOTICE OF RACE

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, USA

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St. Francis Yacht Club

MELGES³²
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP
2010



On behalf of the International Melges 32 Class Association, it is with pleasure that I invite you to San Francisco, California for the 2010 Melges 32 World Championship, hosted by the St. Francis Yacht Club. San Francisco Bay happens to be one of my favorite racing venues in the world, with its flat water and breeze-on conditions. This will be a perfect venue for our second Melges 32 World Championship, and the first in North America.

In addition to the scenic skyline, spectacular Golden Gate Bridge and a long tradition of hosting world championships, St. Francis Yacht Club guarantees world class regatta management and an event to remember.

We encourage you to compete and enjoy all that our Melges 32 racing has to offer at the 2010 Melges 32 World Championship in San Francisco, California. This will be an event not to miss!

Sincerely,



Jeff Ecklund

International Melges 32 Class President



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International Melges 32 Class President



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St. Francis Yacht Club

On behalf of the members, officers, and directors of the St. Francis Yacht Club, it is my pleasure to invite you and your crew to the 2010 Melges 32 World Championship. The regatta will take place September 20-25, 2010 – when optimal weather and wind conditions on San Francisco Bay prevail. We are looking forward to hosting a memorable event with exciting competition in one of the world's premiere racing venues.

We have assembled an outstanding race management team to guarantee excellent sailing and we believe our onshore crew will make your stay easy, pleasant and above all enjoyable. The StFYC organizes over 40 race days every year for all types of competition – from dinghies to IRC Big Boats, from AC yachts to Optimists, from team races to match races, from collegiate championships to world events. We have a terrific membership, a superbly trained and managed Race Committee Organization, an amazingly reliable sea breeze – all of the components that will add up to an outstanding event.

The St. Francis Yacht Club members are excited to welcome you to the City of San Francisco, the Bay and our Club. We are honored to host the 2010 Melges 32 World Championship – and the StFYC Organizing Committee has been working diligently to ensure that this event will be one of the best ever. Make your plans and bring your families and be ready for some good times. On behalf of the members of St. Francis Yacht Club, we are looking forward to seeing you in September.

Sincerely,



David H. Sneary
Commodore
St. Francis Yacht Club



DAVID H. SNEARY

Commodore / St. Francis Yacht Club







1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the St. Francis Yacht Club (StFYC) in conjunction with the International Melges 32 Class Association (IM32CA).

2. HEADQUARTERS

The 2010 Melges 32 World Championship headquarters will be located at:

St. Francis Yacht Club
On The Marina
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E-mail: raceoffice@stfyc.com
Website: www.stfyc.com

3. RULES

- 3.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) 2009-2012.
- 3.2 The "class rules" for the purposes of the definition of "rules" are the International Melges 32 Class Rules (IM32CR).
- 3.3 Rule 40 is changed to read: "Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices as approved by the U.S. Coast Guard in accordance with U.S. law, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment at all times while racing. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices."
- 3.4 In accordance with US SAILING prescription to RRS 88, only the following prescriptions of US SAILING will apply:
 - 3.4.1 US SAILING prescribes that: Add RRS 61.4. 61.4 Fees for Protests and Requests for Redress US SAILING prescribes that no fees shall be charged for protests or requests for redress.
 - 3.4.2 After RRS 68 add: "US SAILING prescribes that":
 - (a) A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.
 - (b) A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US SAILING appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.
 - (c) A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact

between boats. By participating in an event governed by the rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.

- 3.4.3 After RRS 76.1 add: "US SAILING prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age."
- 3.4.4 Add RRS 76.3: "US SAILING prescribes that a boat whose entry is rejected or cancelled or a competitor who is excluded from a race or series shall be, upon written request, entitled to a hearing conducted by the protest committee under rules 63.2, 63.4, 63.6."

4. ADVERTISING

- 4.1 IM32CR C.8. ADVERTISING shall apply.
- 4.2 In IM32CR C.8.1, the reference to RRS 79 is changed to RRS 80 to conform to the RRS.

5. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 5.1 The event shall be open to boats whose Owner is a current member of the International Melges 32 Class Association.
- 5.2 IM32CR Section C.9. MEMBERSHIP AND ELIGIBILITY, and all subsections, shall apply.
- 5.3 All competitors shall be in compliance with the ISAF Eligibility Rules, ISAF Sailor Classification Code and Melges 32 Class Rules. As per Class Rule C. 9.5, IM32CA delegated to a Classification Code Committee the authority in determining a competitor's status within the spirit of the class rules. A representative of the ISAF Sailor Classification Commission will be present during registration and will carry out spot checks.
- 5.4 Each entrant must submit a completed Entry Form by registering online via the link at the StFYC website: www.stfyc.com and pay the entry fee no later than Wednesday, August 18, 2010. Original signatures must be provided at registration. Late entries will be accepted only with the prior approval of the Organizing Authority and IM32CA.

- 5.5 No later than Wednesday, August 18, 2010 each entry is required to submit a Crew Declaration to Joy Dunigan, IM32CA Administrator, digitally online, e-mail to classadmin@melges32.com or fax at +1 (912) 756-6728.
- 5.6 No later than Tuesday, September 21, 2010 each entry is required to submit an Owner Compliance Declaration and Sail Declaration prior to the close of registration to Joy Dunigan, IM32CA Administrator, digitally online, e-mail to classadmin@melges32.com or fax at +1 (912) 756-6728.
- 5.7 No entries will be accepted after Wednesday, September 15.

6. CLASSIFICATION

- 6.1 The ISAF Classification Code, Regulation 22, will apply. Details of the ISAF Classification Code and information on how to apply can be found on the ISAF website at www.sailing.org/classification.
- 6.2 No later than Wednesday, August 18, 2010, each entrant shall submit a completed Crew Declaration Form (IM32CR Appendix 3.1) to Joy Dunigan, IM32CA Administrator at classadmin@melges32.com or fax at +1 (912) 756-6728 for verification. The Crew Declaration Form should list all crew, together with their classification and, for Group 1 sailors, their ISAF Sailor ID number and expiration.
- 6.3 All accepted Crew Declarations will be posted on the Melges 32 website, www.melges32.com upon receipt.
- 6.4 The earliest time a classification protest may be submitted is 1000 hours on Wednesday, September 8, 2010. The Classification Protest Time Limit under ISAF Regulation 22.1 is 1800 hours on Tuesday, September 21.
- 6.5 A boat will not be eligible to race until all crew classifications have been checked for compliance.
- 6.6 A representative of the ISAF Sailor Classification Commission may be present during registration and may carry out spot checks and interviews.

7. REGISTRATION

- 7.1 To complete registration, all entrants shall complete the online entry form (www.stfyc.com), have submitted all required class forms, paid all entry fees and submitted a completed Entry Form and Signed Release Agreement with original signature.
- 7.2 Only boats that have completed registration by 1800 hours on Tuesday, September 21, 2010 will be eligible to race. Late registration may be allowed only with the prior approval of the Organizing Authority and the IM32CA.

8. ENTRY FEE

- 8.1 The fee is \$1,000 US Dollars if received by August 18, 2010. Entries received after August 18, 2010 will be assessed a late fee of \$150. All boats preceding hull No. 196 will be assessed an additional \$250 ISAF fee.
- 8.2 All fees must be paid prior to racing for entry to be valid.

9. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Monday, 13 September

Rolex Big Boat Series & Melges 32 Pre-Worlds
Crew Weigh-in.....1000 – 1700

Tuesday, 14 September

Rolex Big Boat Series & Melges 32 Pre-Worlds
Crew Weigh-in.....1000 – 1700

Wednesday, 15 September

Rolex Big Boat Series & Melges 32 Pre-Worlds
Crew Weigh-in.....1000 – 1700

Monday, 20 September

Registration1500 – 1800
Crew Weigh-in, Measurements Checks

Tuesday, 21 September

Late Registration0900 – 1700
Crew Weigh-in, Measurements Checks
Practice Race1300
Skipper's Briefing 1730
Opening Ceremony 1800

Wednesday, 22 September

First Warning Signal1200
Social at St. Francis Yacht Club After Racing

Thursday, 23 September

First Warning Signal1200
Social at St. Francis Yacht Club After Racing

Friday, 24 September

First Warning Signal1200
Regatta Dinner & Party at
St. Francis Yacht Club After Racing

Saturday, 25 September

First Warning Signal1200
Closing Ceremony & Awards at
St. Francis Yacht Club After Racing





10. MEASUREMENT AND WEIGHING

- 10.1 All competitors should observe class measurements rules.
- 10.2 All crew weight must be checked before 1700 hours on Tuesday, September 21st. There will be no re-weigh checks during the championship. Crews can weigh in at any of the times listed in NOR #9 (Schedule of Events) to meet this requirement.
- 10.3 There will be the following measurement checks:
- Sail measurement
 - Lifeline
 - Random Measurement Checks
 - Corrector Weight
 - Safety Equipment
 - Mast Cylinder
- 10.4 The entry lists for sails checks, boat inspections and crew weighing shall be prepared by the Class, in a random order, to be confirmed by owners. For sail measurement, two members of the crew from each boat are requested to help.

11. REPLACEMENT OF CREW

- 11.1 Crew substitutions before and during the event are permitted. A revised crew list must be submitted to Joy Dunigan, IM32CA Administrator and approval received prior to the race to which it applies.
- 11.2 Crew substitutions may weigh-in during the designated Substitute Crew Weigh-In period, from 0830 – 0930 hours, on the first day that they will compete.

12. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 12.1 All boats shall be afloat in the San Francisco Marina no later than 1200 hours on Tuesday, September 21.
- 12.2 Boats shall not be hauled out during the series, except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.
- 12.3 The Organizing Authority may impose haul-out restrictions.

13. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available during registration.

14. VENUE / RACING AREA

The intended racing area will be Berkeley Circle.

15. COURSE

Courses will be windward/leeward.

16. SCORING

- 16.1 The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply, with the following modification: when fewer than six races have been sailed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores; when six or more races have been sailed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 16.2 Up to (10) races may be held. A maximum of 3 races may be held on any racing day.
- 16.3 Four (4) races are needed for the regatta to be scored as the Melges 32 World Championship.

17. VHF / RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 17.1 During the starting procedure, in addition to sound and flag signals, the Race Committee may use VHF 72 channel to call out OCS sail numbers or bow numbers. The use of VHF radio communication, or failure to do so, by the Race Committee, shall not be considered a valid reason for protest or request of redress in any case.
- 17.2 A yacht shall neither make radio transmissions while racing, nor receive radio communications not available to all yachts. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

18. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded based on participation.

19. 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.

20. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000.00 per event or the equivalent if expressed in other currency. Proof of insurance shall be provided upon registration.

21. TELEVISION AND PHOTOGRAPHERS' RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission for video footage or photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial or advertising purposes.

22. FURTHER INFORMATION

All Rolex Big Boat Series/Melges 32 Pre-Worlds information will be posted at www.stfyc.com.

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IM32CA Appointed Juror Mary Savage

[ISAF Representative](#)

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PRINCIPAL RACE OFFICER

John Craig

REGATTA CHAIR

Nadine Franczyk



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CREW DECLARATION FORM

The submission of this crew declaration is mandatory and must be received two weeks prior to the event. All crew declarations will be posted online prior to the event, and subject to review by the ISAF and confirmed by the International Melges 32 Class Association.

NAME NAME	ISAF GROUP (1, 2, OR 3)	ISAF ID NO.	ISAF EXPIRATION
1. (Helmsman)
2. (Alternate Helmsman)
3. (Tactician)
4.
5.
6.
7.
8.
9.

I declare that the above listed crew members, fully comply with the International Melges 32 Class Rules and carry the proper ISAF Sailor Classification. I have included all Group 1 and Group 2 ISAF Sailor Classification numbers and confirm that their classification is valid as stated online at the ISAF's (sailing.org) website. Only one approved substitute or relief helmsman can be nominated/designated to relieve an owner (or, a primary helmsman) at the helm at any time during a Melges 32 event. If a team, does not nominate/designate an approved substitute or relief helm at the time of submitting the crew declaration, then the boat will not sail, should the owner or primary helmsman nominated/designated for the event be unable to helm. Substitute or relief, alternate helms will not be accepted once racing has commenced.

Regatta

Yacht Name

Signed — Owner(s) Representative

Approved — Class Representative

Hull Number

Sail Number

Date

Date

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Crew lists will be posted online at melges32.com



SAIL DECLARATION FORM

SAIL	DESCRIPTION (YEAR/SAILMAKER)	BUTTON NO.	SAIL SERIAL NO.
Mainsail	.....	.....	.....
Jib 1	.....	.....	.....
Jib 2	.....	.....	.....
Jib 3	.....	.....	.....
Spinnaker	Asymmetrical .....	.....	.....
Spinnaker	Asymmetrical .....	.....	.....

I declare that only the above listed sails comply with the International Melges 32 Class Rules and carry the designated sail buttons required for competition. They will be used for the regatta series named below. This class sail declaration must be submitted to the International Melges 32 Class Association by registration at the start of any Melges 32 event.

Regatta

Hull Number

Yacht Name

Sail Number

Signed — Owner(s) Representative

Date

Approved — Class Representative

Date

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YACHT OWNER COMPLIANCE DECLARATION

The following hereby agree that they have fully read the Melges 32 Class Rules and that to the best of their knowledge their boat complies with these Class Rules for the ----- event. The undersigned also agree to abide by these Class Rules while racing.

Owner 1 -----

Signature -----

Owner 2 -----

Signature -----

Owner 3 -----

Signature -----

Tactician -----

Signature -----

Boat Captain -----

Signature -----

Boat Name -----

Date -----

Approved — Class Representative -----

Date -----

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