

To all Gaucho Regatta Teams, we are now just over 24 hours away from the event and the exciting news is that the forecast will bring some (but not too much) wind! That wind however will come with some all but guaranteed rain on Saturday. With that, we'd like to remind each team to go out of their way in preparation for the cooler and much wetter conditions. Regardless of where we are doing rotations, it may be difficult to find a place to get out of the rain, so having a plan for getting out of wet conditions and somewhere warm is advised whether it be tents or cars. There is not a designated location for sailors to go to stay indoors while waiting to race the next set, so plan ahead with plenty of foul weather and warm gear as well as access to a car, van, or tent. Coaches, if we end up sailing next to Stearns Wharf, please think ahead for how you will talk to you sailors in between races as the rotation area may not be very close to the spectating area.

Beyond being prepared for the weather this weekend, please be reminded of the following:

1. **Parking** – There are several rules for the parking lot that need to be taken into account. To make it easy, we've posted a **Gaucho Regatta Map** on the event page at <http://www.ucsbisailing.com/2018-gaucho-regatta/>. Please review this map carefully to avoid harbor tickets!
2. **Check-in** – When you arrive, visit the *check-in table* (noted on the **Gaucho Regatta Map**) to receive your t-shirts and *Boat Inspection Forms* necessary to get your sail assignments. Chartering Teams may turn their paperwork and checks in this time if they still need to.
3. **Boat Check** - Once you have your *Boat Inspection Form*, find a Gaucho with a UCSB Sailing hoody on. Those Gauchos will be allowed to inspect and approve your team's boat and will sign off on the inspection form.
4. **Sail Assignments** –Take the signed off inspection form to the Sail Assignment Station as shown on the **Gaucho Regatta Map** so that you can get your sail assignments.
5. **T-shirts** – Many teams are not sure what sizes they wanted for their t-shirts when registering online. In most cases, we put four shirts in your bag, however it is not a problem to exchange sizes! Once you receive your shirts and realize you do not have the correct size, visit the check-in tent to exchange sizes. Additional T-shirts will be for sale for \$15 for the duration of the regatta. There will also be UCSB Sailing Team Hats and Hoodies available for sale.
6. **Sailing Instructions, Rotations, and Results** will all be available online at scores.hssailing.org. **Record of Participation (RP)** can be filled out online at ts.hssailing.org.
7. **BBQ Tent / Central Command** – Will be located near the rotation area which will be announced at the competitor meeting. This is where protest forms will be located and protest times and parties to the hearings will be posted. There will also be burgers, hotdogs, snacks, and drinks for

sale along with Gaucho merchandise at this location. The rotation area will be determined on the day of the event based on wind, sea state, tide, and best spots to rotate.

8. **Weather** – Santa Barbara is a cold water, open ocean environment and it is crucial to come prepared with the proper gear! The conditions can also be highly variable and a great deal of consideration should be given by each sailor and their coach on whether a sailor should go out on the water or not. When in doubt, sit it out!

9. **Recruits** – If you are interested in sailing on the UCSB Sailing Team one day, please contact coach, Brad Schaupeter at UCSBSailingcoach@gmail.com or fill out the recruit form online at <http://ucsb sailing.com/high-school-recruits/>. We look forward to seeing many of you at our recruit session and campus tour (info online at <http://www.ucsb sailing.com/2018-gaUCHO-regatta/>).

As always, we are excited to see you all this weekend at the Gaucho. We hope you enjoy the regatta and your visit to Santa Barbara. OLE!

Best of luck this weekend!

-The Gauchos