 HARBOR 20 FLEET 4  
BYLAWS, RULES and SPECIFICATIONS  
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I. BYLAWS

I.A. Name

I.A.1. The name of the organization shall be the Fleet 4 of the Harbor 20 Class  
Association, hereinafter referred to as the Fleet.

I.A.2. Harbor 20 Fleet 4 is located in Santa Barbara,, California.

I.A.3. The Bylaws define the structure and governance of the Fleet, the Rules  
govern the people who may participate in Fleet Races, and the Specifications  
govern the yachts eligible to participate in Fleet Races. This document is  
hereinafter referred to as the Rules.

I.B. Nature and Purpose

I.B.1. Fleet 4 of the Harbor 20 Class Association is a voluntary Corinthian  
association. Its purposes are consistent with those of the Harbor 20 Class  
Association.

I.C. Membership

I.C.1. The Fleet is comprised of Owner Members, Skipper Members, and  
Associate Members who meet the criteria for Fleet 4 membership as defined by  
the Rules of the Harbor 20 Class Association.

I.D. Governance (see Appendix 8)

I.D.1. (see Appendix 8) The governing body of the Fleet is the Board of Directors (Board),  
comprised of the Directors and Immediate Past Fleet Captain, and chaired  
by the Fleet Captain, all of whom are entitled to vote. The general duty of the  
Board is the furtherance of the purposes of the Fleet and ensuring its growth  
and preservation. The Board has the authority to develop, interpret and enforce  
the Fleet Rules. The Board shall decide on all Fleet Rules and be ultimately  
responsible for resolving issues about their interpretation.

I.D.2. The Board members must be elected in a fair and open vote of the Fleet 4  
Owner Members by February 1st of each year. At least three members are to be  
elected to the Board (see Appendix 4).

I.D.3. Officers for the Fleet need not be Owner members, shall be elected by the  
Board to serve a one-year term, and may be elected for multiple terms.

I.D.4. The Fleet Captain is elected by the Board of Directors and serves a one-  
year term, and is to act as the executive officer of the Board.

I.D.5. Directors may elect Officers to perform specific roles such as:

a. The Past Fleet Captain is the Fleet Captain who was most recently in office  
and who is available to serve on the Board. He is a voting member, but not  
elected.

b. The Secretary shall perform the duties as commonly understood and as further  
determined by the Board.

c. The Treasurer shall perform the duties as commonly understood and as further  
determined by the Board.

d. The Measurer shall insure the conformance of yachts, equipment and crews to  
the Class and Fleet Rules. The Measurer will chair the Rules Committee, if and  
when needed.

e. The Webmaster shall perform the duties as commonly understood and as  
further determined by the Board.

I.D.6 The Owner (as defined by the Class Rules) of each Harbor 20 may cast  
one vote in Fleet elections and any other matters presented to the Owners. An  
Owner may vote by signed proxy or by email to all Board Directors.

I.D.7. (see Appendix 8) Any changes in these Rules shall require a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of  
the Board or a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the ballots cast by the Owners.

I.D.8. (see Appendix 8) The Directors shall vote on a Rules issue first. If the Directors fail to  
achieve a two-thirds (2/3) majority, the Board shall decide, by a simple majority,  
whether to place the issue to a vote of the Owner Members. Also, a written  
petition signed by one-third (1/3) of the Fleet 4 Owner Members shall obligate the

Board to conduct a vote by the Owner Members.

I.D.9. (see Appendix 8) All Board decisions other than a change in the Rules shall be by majority  
vote.

I.D.10. The Board may replace any Director who cannot properly fulfill the  
responsibilities of the office.

I.E. Dues (see Appendix 8)

I.E.1.  (see Appendix 8) The Board shall establish the amount of annual Fleet 4 dues. Payment is  
due by February 1st of each year. The Fleet may also collect and forward Class  
dues.

I.F. Fleet Races

I.F1. A Fleet Race is any Class Race so designated by Fleet 4 to distinguish it  
from evening races or other informal events (see Appendix 9).

I.F.2. Fleet races will be held in conformance to the participation requirements of  
the Class Rules, and the helmsmen need not be an Owner Member or Skipper  
Member, unless modified by written notice from the Board.

I.F.3. All Fleet Races are counted for purposes of scoring the Fleet 4  
Championship.

I.F.4. Any Fleet Race so designated by the Board qualifies for the Fleet 4  
Championship.

I.F.5. The Fleet may hold a Fleet Championship in a location, time(s), and  
format to be determined by the Fleet. The Fleet Championship will be held in  
conformance to the Class Rules. The winner is declared the Fleet Champion,  
and may affix a red chevron to his boat’s mainsail under the standard insignia.

I.G. Trophies and Awards

I.G.1. The Board is empowered to designate special trophies and awards.

I.H. Eligibility to Race and Conformance to Rules

I.H.1. A Harbor 20 Class Yacht is defined by the Harbor 20 Class Association  
Rules, and which is in conformance with these Fleet 4 Rules. Only Class Yachts  
whose Owner or Skipper Member dues are paid are eligible to race in Fleet 4  
Races.

I.I. Board Decisions (see Appendix 8)

I.I.1. (see Appendix 8) All decisions of the Board shall be published in the Fleet Newsletter or  
otherwise circulated for the information of the Members of the Class.

II. RULES

II.A. Except as modified by these Rules, the Rules of the Harbor 20 Class  
Association apply to Fleet 4 (see Appendix 7, Part 1 and Part 3).

III. SPECIFICATIONS

III.A. Class Yacht

III.A.1. Yachts which are in full compliance with both the Harbor 20 Class  
Association Specifications and Fleet 4 Specifications will be permitted to race  
in Fleet Races. Any modification of the Class Association Specifications shall  
be approved by a 2/3 majority vote of the Fleet 4 Owner Members, and duly  
recorded in the Appendix to these Bylaws.

III.B. Measurement

III.B.1. The Fleet Measurer may take supplemental measurements sufficient to  
ensure that the construction of the yacht and the equipment aboard conform to  
the Class and Fleet Specifications (see Appendix 1).

III.B.2. The Measurer shall not measure a yacht, spars, sails, or equipment  
owned or built by him or in which he is an interested party or has a vested  
interest.

III.B.3. The Fleet Captain may serve as Fleet Measurer when needed.

III.C. Specific Fleet Provisions (see Appendix 7, Part 2)

III.C.1. All yachts need not be kept in the water, i.e., “wet stored,” at all times.

III.C.2. Fleet 4 elects to modify the Class Rule (III.D.12) such that each yacht  
shall have a full and complete coat of anti-fouling bottom paint on all underwater  
surfaces.

III.C.3. Unless otherwise determined by the Board, the sail replacement  
procedure is as defined in the Class Rules.

III.C.4. A sail’s age shall be determined by the delivery date as recorded by  
the W.D. Schock Corp. or as the Board may determine by majority vote. For  
replacement sails, the age will be determined by the Measurer’s dated approval.

III.C.5. The Fleet has appointed Elliott/Pattison Sailmakers as its sole permitted  
sail maker for new mainsails, and Ullman Sails as its sole permitted sail  
maker for new jibs. Asymmetrical spinnakers may be purchased from either  
manufacturer so long as the measurements conform to class rules (see Appendix 6). No other sail/  
sail maker combinations will be allowed. The Board may change this rule by a  
majority vote (  see Appendix 3).

III.C.6. Boat baths are not allowed.

III.C.7   Shrouds and stays shall be 1 x 19 stainless steel with a minimum diameter of one-eighth inch.

APPENDICES

(1) Fleet 4 elects to modify the Class Rule (III.E.6 and III.E.8) via III.B.1 above, such that each yacht shall be permitted to have on board and use during a race electric wind indicators, GPS and VHF units unless otherwise noted in the Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions.

(This appendix replaced by Appendix 3.)

(3) Fleet 4 elects to modify Class Rule III.C.5 so that: All boats shall use Ullman mainsails at the 2017 Cinco De Mayo Regatta and during all subsequent Fleet 4 races. This Appendix also deletes Appendix 2.

(4) Fleet 4 elects to clarify Class Rule I.D.2 so that in Fleet 4 elections each boat owner may cast one vote per candidate.

* (This Appendix replaced by Appendix 9.)

(6)  Section II.C.5:  Santa Barbara Harbor 20 Fleet Asymmetric Spinnaker Specifications:

* Minimum Cloth Weight = 43 grams.
* Minimum Luff Length = 29.3 feet.
* Minimum Mid-Girth (ASMW) = 13.9 feet.
* SLU = 30.3 feet.
* SLE = 25.8 feet.
* ASMW = 14.9 feet.
* SF = 14.5 feet.
* Asymmetric spinnaker tack point must be no more than 19.5 inches from bow stem.
* Asymmetric spinnaker sheet lead must be at least 26.0 inches forward of transom corner.
* Asymmetric spinnaker sheet lead must be ether internal or attached to the outside edge of the cockpit coaming.

(7)  Three changes:

Part 1:  Add to section "Rules II":  Relative to section II.C.4 of the Association Bylaws, "All crew shall keep their hips within the confines of the cockpit at all times excepting in the need for immediate repair or for safety."

Part 2:  Add to section "Rules III.C":  Relative to section III.F.2 of the Association Bylaws, "Backstay tension line may be lead through a simple block attached to the base of the barney post. The cleat location shall not be altered."

Part 3:   Add to section "Rules II":  "Spinnaker poles may be deployed any time within the three-boat-length circle (extending outward 60 feet from the mark for Harbor 20s), and will be retracted at the first reasonable opportunity."

(8)  Board voting and quorums.  Remove in entirety, sections I.D.1; I.D.7; I.D.8; I.D. 9; I.E.1; and I.I.1, and replace with the following:

I.D.1  The general duty of the board is the furtherance of the purposes of the Fleet and ensuring its growth and preservation.

The Board of Directors has the authority to interpret and enforce Fleet 4 Rules, conduct general Fleet 4 business, and discuss and determine agenda issues for submission to Fleet Four owner members in good standing for a vote.

General operational issues require approval by a simple majority of owners who are present. One vote per boat. Changes to Fleet Four Bylaws, Rules and Specifications require approval of a 2/3 majority of owners who are present. One vote per boat.

A quorum for general Fleet 4 operations decisions shall be one-half the Fleet 4 owners in good standing plus one (1). A quorum for Fleet Four changes to Bylaws, Rules and Specifications shall be at least 2/3 of all Fleet Four owners in good standing. All decisions shall be published on the Fleet web page or otherwise circulated for the information of the Members of the Class.

(9) Fleet 4 elects to modify section I.F.1 so that:  Races shall not be started when the wind exceeds an average of 18 knots or gusts to 22 knots or higher. The Fleet decision should factor sea conditions, current, and rapid changes in velocity.

30 minutes before the warning gun of all fleet races in borderline conditions:

The ranking fleet representative racing shall contact all boats on channel 69 and vote whether to cancel the race. Ranking representative shall be:

1. Fleet Captain

2. Assistant Fleet Captain

3. Secretary

4. Treasurer.

This Appendix replaces Appendix 5.