

Steve Schupak
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Palmer Trophy
via email: schupaks@hotmail.com

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Dear Mr. Schupak:

The Race Administration Office has received your request for permission to deny the right of appeal under Rule 70.5(a) for the 2024 Palmer Trophy qualifying series, beginning April 13, 2024, at Newport Harbor Yacht Club. The event appears to meet US Sailing's requirements, and permission is hereby granted. A description of the procedures and requirements for denying the right of appeal under rule 70.5 accompanies this letter.

Please be sure to include this language in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions:

In accordance with rule 70.5(a), decisions of the protest committee are final. US Sailing's permission has been granted. If the requirements shown on <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/rules-officiating/appeals/no-appeal-rule-70-5-procedures/> are not met, the decisions of the protest committee may be appealed.

Since this permission is limited to the qualification series, the following must also be included in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions:

US Sailing's permission is limited to the qualifying series. Competitors may appeal decisions of the Protest Committee in the Championship Series.

As long as the Organizing Authority and the Protest Committee continue to comply with the posted requirements, the right of appeal may be denied.

The event is posted on US Sailing's website as having been approved.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,



Matthew Hill
Race Administration Director

cc: Scott Mason