



**Southwestern Yacht Club,
Cortez Racing Association
&
Southern California Yachting Association**

Present the
95th Annual
SCYA Midwinter Regatta

February 15: Three W/L Races in the Ocean

February 16: One Race around SD Bay

Entrance Buoys and TG-1

San Diego, CA

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY AND RACE MANAGEMENT

The Organizing Authority (OA) for this regatta is the Southern California Yachting Association (SCYA). The SWYC/CRA Race Committee (RC) will manage this regatta and shall appoint a Protest Committee (PC).

This event is the only fundraiser for SCYA. Yacht clubs throughout Southern California host Midwinters Regattas this month to continue the service of SCYA to the yachting community.

SCYA provides sail numbers to new boats, maintains the USSA-required local appeals committee for disputed protest decisions, coordinates the opening day calendars of clubs and provides guidance for protocols, and it produces the SCYA Race Calendar that conveniently lists races and regattas from Santa Barbara to Arizona to the Mexican border.

Thank you for your support of SCYA.



1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The US Prescription to RRS 63.1(b) is deleted. The US Sailing Prescriptions are available [here](#).
- 1.3 [DP] [US Sailing Nearshore Safety Equipment](#) is required for this regatta in addition to all required USCG boating requirements.
- 1.3.1 Add to the US Sailing Nearshore SERs:
Items 2.4.1 – 2.4.8 from the [US Sailing Coastal SERs](#) are included and apply to all boats whose factory configurations include lifelines, stanchions, pulpits, and toe rails with the following modification: SER 2.4.4 – Lifelines may have factory installed coating.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND COURSES

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available by 5:00pm on Friday, Feb.14 ♡, on the online [official notice board](#).

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located [here](#).
- 3.2 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board no later than 9:00 am on the day of the event.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio channel 68.
- 3.4 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to members of organizations affiliated with US Sailing.
- 4.2 The regatta is open to all boats with valid class certificates as listed in NoR 4.6.
- 4.3 All eligible boats must enter [online](#) no later than 6:00pm on Friday, Feb. 14 ♡, 2025.
- 4.4 [DP] All boats shall have clearly visible sail numbers. Missing, improper, inconsistent, unclear, illegible, or numbers other than those used for check-in, are not permitted, and may result in being scored DNF. RRS 60.1, 63, and A5.1 are modified to add that the RC may disqualify a boat infringing this instruction without a hearing.
- 4.5 Classes will be based on entries and will be assigned by the Race Committee. The RC retains final authority for a boat's class placement.
- 4.6 The event is open to boats of the following classes:

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| ORR Big Boats | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Boats shall have a 2024 ORR (not ORR-Ez) certificate2025 ORR certificates will be required by March 7, 2025. | In general, the ORR class is for boats with a negative PHRF rating and LOA > 40'. |
| ORR-Ez Spin | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Boats shall have a 2024 ORR-Ez certificate.2025 ORC Club certificates will be required by March 7, 2025. | In general, the ORR-Ez classes are for boats with a PHRF RLC rating between 0 and 115. |
| ORC Sport Boats | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Boats shall have a 2024 ORC Club certificate.2025 ORC Club certificates will be required by March 7, 2025. | In general, sport boats will be ≤ 40' and displace < 5000 pounds, with high aspect ratio jibs. |



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| PHRF Spin | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Boats shall have any year PHRF certificate issued by either PHRF San Diego or PHRF SoCal. 2025 ORC Club certificates will be required by March 7, 2025. | In general, the PHRF classes are for boats with RLC ratings >115. |
| PHRF Non-Spin | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Boats shall have a 2025 valid PHRF certificate issued by either PHRF San Diego or PHRF SoCal. | All boats sailing in the Non-Spin class will use PHRF ratings, no matter their size. |
| J/24 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One Design | A minimum of four boats per class are needed to be scored as a One Design Class. |
| Beneteau 36.7 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One Design | A minimum of four boats per class are needed to be scored as a One Design Class. |
| Cape 31 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One Design | A minimum of four boats per class are needed to be scored as a One Design Class. |

The Fleet Captain of any other one-design fleet wishing to participate in this race as a class and register four or more entries should contact the CRA Race Committee Chair, Colleen Cooke, by February 3, 2025, to register their intent to race in one-design configuration and bypass other certification requirements. Boats will then be scored and receive trophies as their own class.

- 4.7 Official Class assignments for the regatta will be established and posted as an amendment to the NoR on the [online regatta event site](#) no later than noon on Friday, February 14th, 2025. Provisional assignments may be posted earlier.
- 4.8 [DP] The class numeral pennant must be flown from the backstay of all yachts, except one design classes, or in a prominent manner on the stern, when checking in, while racing, and when finishing. Competitors shall supply their own numeral pennant.
- 4.9 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.10 Late entries will only be accepted from CRA or SWYC members. Late entrants may not check in by radio, but must provide to the R/C, in writing, the owner's name, DOB and zip code, email address, phone number, boat name and type, sail number, class and applicable ratings, to complete their entry. Submission of this information to the RC represents the boat's acceptance of the liability waiver in the registration form and that they agree to be bound by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and by all other rules that govern this event.

5 FEES

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| 5.1 | <u>Boat LOA:</u> | <u>20-30 ft.</u> | <u>Over 30 ft.</u> |
| | Regular Fee | \$45.00 | \$55.00 |
| | US SAILING Member | \$43.00 | \$53.00 |

- 5.2 In the event of unforeseen circumstances that may cause a regatta cancellation or rescheduling, any refund of the entry fee will solely be determined by the SCYA Midwinter Regatta Race Co-Chairs.
- 5.3 No refunds, other than as stated in 5.2, will be made upon withdrawal of an entry within 10 days of the scheduled regatta beginning date.
- 5.4 Any refund made, will be the Entry Fee less 7%.
- 5.5 A portion of the fees are used to help offset the costs SCYA provides to the yachting community.



6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Saturday, Feb. 15: Three Windward/Leeward races in the Coronado Roads.
Sunday, Feb. 16: One race to include the SD Bay entrance buoys and TG-1.
- 6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is **11:55am**. The warning signal for subsequent races on Saturday will be as soon as possible after the completion of the previous race.
- 6.3 No warning signal for a race will be made after **4:00pm**.

7 VENUES

- 7.1 The racing area on Saturday, Feb. 15 will be in the ocean in the area known as the Coronado Roads. For navigation, refer to NOAA Chart #18772, *Approaches to SD Bay*.
- 7.2 The racing area on Sunday, Feb. 16 will be the SD Bay entrance buoys, with the starting area in the vicinity of SD 17.

8 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 8.1 RRS *Appendix T - Arbitration*, shall apply.
- 8.2 USSA prescription *Appendix V - Alternative Penalties*, shall apply.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 9.2 Each boat's score shall be the total of her race scores. No score will be excluded.
- 9.3 All classes will be scored using Time-on-Time.
- 9.4 The [ORR](#) class will be scored using the *Ratings by Wind Speed*. Enter the TCF (Time Correction Factor) values based on the three wind strengths (Light, Medium, Heavy) for a W/L 50/50 course.
- 9.5 The [ORR-Ez](#) class will be scored using the *Standard 5 Winds* for TOT (Spin). Enter the TCF (Time Correction Factor) values based on five wind strengths (V.Light, Light, Lt/Med, Medium, Heavy) for a W50/L50 course.
- 9.6 The [ORC](#) Sport Boat class will be scored using the *5-Band Windward/Leeward TOT* scoring option. Enter the TCF values for Low, Med/Low, Medium, Med/High and High.
- 9.7 [PHRF](#) spinnaker classes will use "Buoy" ratings for scoring on the W/L courses on Saturday and "RLC" ratings for scoring the random leg race on Sunday.
- 9.8 PHRF non-spinnaker offsets will be used for scoring the non-spinnaker class only on Sunday's random leg course.
- 9.9 The PRO's decision regarding the rating assigned will not be grounds for redress. This modifies RRS 61.4(b)(1).
- 9.10 RRS 90.3(e) applies, except change '24 hours' to '48 hours'.

10 SOCIAL EVENTS AND AWARDS CELEBRATION

- 10.1 After race events will occur at Southwestern Yacht Club, 2702 Qualtrough St, SD, 92106.
- 10.2 The SWYC membership invites all racers to enjoy the hospitality of the SWYC clubhouse for hors d'oeuvres after each day's racing.
- 10.3 Regatta prizes will be awarded after racing on Sunday, Feb. 16, using the listed structure: one prize in each class of 3 - 5 boats, two for 6 - 8 boats, three for 9 - 11 boats, four for 12 - 15, five for 16 - 20, and six for more than 20 boats registered.
- 10.4 Perpetual Trophies: SD PHRF Class SCYA Midwinter Regatta Trophy, SCYA Midwinter Regatta Overall Winner.



11 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

11.1 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 3, 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. The race organizers, SWYC, CRA & SCYA, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or another organization or official, will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. As a condition of their participation in this regatta, competitors release all claims they may have against SWYC, CRA or SCYA and its officers, directors, members, committees, and employees for damage to property, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta. Competitors shall be responsible for damage or injury caused by their breach of *The Racing Rules of Sailing* or applicable governmental rules for the avoidance of collision.

12 INSURANCE

12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate valid third-party liability insurance.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

Questions may be addressed to:

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