



Alerion 28 Regatta

April 12, 2025

Sailing Instructions



The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that instruction is not grounds for protest or a request for redress by a boat.
This changes rule 60.1.

1 RULES

- 1.1. This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2025-2028 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. RRS 40.1 shall apply while crews are on the water.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official noticeboard (<https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/29547>) by 0930 on the day they will take effect. Changes to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before they take effect.
- 2.2. Changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made on the water. If a change is made, the Race Committee will display the L flag and may also announce the change on the designated VHF channel.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1. The URL for RYC's official noticeboard is: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/29547>
- 3.2. Notices to competitors will be posted on RYC's official noticeboard.
- 3.3. The Race Committee will use VHF channel 69 to communicate information about the day's racing.
- 3.4. Boats are required to check in with the Race Committee by sailing by the committee boat, on starboard tack, prior to the first warning signal.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the mast on the upper deck at RYC.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in Race Signal AP. This changes RACE SIGNALS.

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1. Three races are planned. The warning signal for the first race will be made at 1055.
- 5.2. After each race a warning signal for the succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable, A series of short sound signals and a radio announcement may be made to alert boats that another race will begin soon.

6 COURSES

- 6.1. Attachment A will indicate courses, marks, and the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 6.2. The course to be sailed will be designated by a numeral pennant displayed from the Race Committee signal boat.
- 6.3. [NP] The Race Committee will attempt to announce courses on the VHF radio channel. The absence of this announcement or the failure of a boat hearing the announcement shall not be grounds for redress.

7 MARKS

- 7.1. A combination of inflatable marks and orange ball drop marks will be used.

8 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 8.1. To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change the new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by the original mark.
- 8.2. The Race Committee may, without signal, move a mark to change the direction of a leg up to 10 degrees or the length of a leg up to 10% of the previous length, provided that no boat is sailing to that mark. This changes RRS 33.

9 OBSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1. The buoy (G 3) South of Point Blunt on Angel island and the closest point ashore.
- 9.2. A 200' circle around Southampton shoal platform.

10 THE START

- 10.1. Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.
- 10.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and the course side of an orange ball. There may be a limiting mark near the signal boat.
- 10.3. The Race Committee may attempt to hail the sail numbers of boats that are OCS on the designated VHF channel. Failure to hail her number, or failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 61.4(b)1.
- 10.4. A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

11 THE FINISH

- 11.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a Race Committee boat and an orange ball. Competitors should adjust their sails so the finish line crew can see sail numbers immediately after finishing.

12 TIME LIMIT

- 12.1. The time limit for the first boat to finish is 90 minutes. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat in their fleet shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2.

13 HEARING REQUEST

- 13.1. Protests shall be delivered to a Race Committee representative within the protest limit, which shall be 30 minutes after the Race Committee boat returns to the dock. The return time will be posted on the official noticeboard.
- 13.2. Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties. Notices will be on the RYC official noticeboard.

14 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 14.1. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 14.2. Boats shall not impede the passage of ship traffic. Rule 9 of the inland rules of the road applies to all shipping traffic on San Francisco Bay and its tributaries.
- 14.3. Competitors are reminded that commercial vessels have the right of way at all times and violations are subject to protest by the Race Committee.

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Attachment A – Course Sheet

Marks

1– Weather Mark: Yellow tetrahedron

2 – Leeward Gate: Yellow tetrahedrons

If one of the gate marks is missing,
the remaining mark is to be rounded to port

PIN – Orange ball

CHANGE – Red inflatable

Courses

1: Start – 1(p) - Finish

2: Start – 1(p) - 2 – 1(p) - Finish

