



# SCYA MIDWINTER REGATTA

FEBRUARY 21 & 22, 2026

Dana Point Yacht Club  
24399 Dana Drive, Dana Point, CA 92629



## NOTICE OF RACE PHRF SPINNAKER CLASSES

### ORGANIZING AUTHORITY AND RACE MANAGEMENT

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

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in [The Racing Rules of Sailing](#).
- 1.2 [US Sailing Prescriptions](#) will apply.
- 1.3 The [US Safety Equipment Requirements](#) (SER) Near Shore Category will apply, except as modified by the Notice of Race or these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 The rules of [PHRF of Southern California](#) (PHRF) will apply.
- 1.5 **[DP]** RRS 64.2, Penalties is modified by adding: (c) When the protest committee decides a boat that is a party to a protest hearing has broken a rule, it may assign a time penalty to be added to the boat's corrected time.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 This regatta is open to all boats in PHRF Spinnaker Classes.
- 2.2 Entrants must have a valid current PHRF rating certificate.
- 2.3 To become an entrant in the regatta skippers must complete an [Online Entry Form](#) and pay all fees by the **entry deadline of 1800 hours, Friday, February 20, 2026**.

### 3. FEES

- 3.1 The registration fee is:  
Boats 20' to 30' - \$45  
Boats over 30' - \$55
- 3.2 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 Chair.
- 3.3 No refunds, other than as stated in 3.2, will be made upon withdrawal of an entry within 10 days of the scheduled regatta beginning date.
- 3.4 Any refund made, will be the Entry Fee less a 7% processing fee.
- 3.5 A portion of the entry fees are used to help offset the costs of services SCYA provides to the yachting community.

### 4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Sailing Instructions will be posted on the online [Official Notice Board](#) no later than February 19, 2026.
- 4.2 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the online [Official Notice Board](#).
- 4.3 As a courtesy, changes may be posted on the Secondary Notice Board located upstairs at DPYC.

## **5. COMPETITOR'S MEETING**

- 5.1 There will be a Competitor's Meeting at 0930 Saturday, February 21, 2026 at DPYC.

## **6. CLASSES**

- 6.1 PHRF Classes will be based upon the type and number of entries received using their PHRF Area E ratings. Any boat from outside Area E where there is no like Area E rated boat will be based upon their PHRF Regional ratings.
- 6.2 Anticipated classes are PHRF A and PHRF B.
- 6.3 The RC retains final authority for a boat's class placement.

## **7. SCHEDULE**

- 7.1 Five (5) races are scheduled:
  - Saturday, February 21, 2026 – Four (4) windward-leeward races are scheduled.
  - Sunday, February 22, 2026 – One (1) random leg race is scheduled.
- 7.2 The first Warning Signal each day will be at 1155 hours for all classes.
- 7.3 Two (2) races must be completed to constitute a regatta.

## **8. COMMUNICATION**

- 8.1 Any changes made to this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the online [Official Notice Board](#).
- 8.2 Changes made to this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions may also be posted on the Secondary Notice Board located upstairs at DPYC.
- 8.3 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 16, 68, 69, 71 and 72.
- 8.4 On the water, the RC may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors by VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 8.5 Communication Restrictions, RRS 41 – Outside Help, attention to ISAF Case 120 from the US Sailing Appeals Committee, which clarifies the application of RRS 41 and governs competitor's actions during the race.

## **9. COURSES AND RACE AREA**

- 9.1 The race area for this regatta will be as generally shown on [Dana Point Race Chart v.9.0](#).
- 9.2 For windward-leeward races the courses will be selected from a Buoy Race Chart Supplement and for random leg races from Dana Point Race Chart v.9.0. Both course charts will be included in the Sailing Instructions.

## **10. SCORING**

- 10.1 The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A will apply. .
- 10.2 WL ratings shall be used for the windward-leeward races. Random leg races shall be scored using RLC ratings.
- 10.3 PHRF Spinnaker Fleet boats shall be scored using PHRF Area E ratings.
- 10.4 Any boat from outside Area E where there is no like Area E rated boat will be scored using their PHRF Regional or OA assigned ratings.
- 10.5 A boat scored TLE will receive no finish time. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

## **11. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 11.1 US Sailing Prescriptions Appendix V will apply.

## **12. RISK STATEMENT**

- 12.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

## **13. INSURANCE**

- 13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid watercraft liability insurance policy in an amount not less than \$300,000 personal injury and personal property damage of \$100,000.

## **14. PRIZES**

- 14.1 Post-Race festivities following both days of racing will take place at Dana Point Yacht Club.  
14.2 Results will be posted each day at DPYC. Final results will be announced following racing and resolution of all protests on Sunday.  
14.3 SCYA Trophies will be awarded on Sunday according to the following schedule:

Class Entries	<u>3 to 5</u>	<u>6 to 8</u>	<u>9 to 11</u>	<u>12 to 15</u>	<u>16+</u>
Trophies	1	2	3	4	5

- 14.4 Trophies not claimed within 30 days shall be forfeited.

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