

Notice of Race

Alerion 28 West Coast Championship

OA: Richmond Yacht Club

Dates: 16-17 May 2026



The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

'[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.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. RRS 40.1 shall apply while crew are on the water.
- 1.3. RRS 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: A protest is invalid if "(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or"
- 1.4. RRS Appendix V (Alternate Penalties) shall apply.
- 1.5. San Francisco Bay Alerion 28 Fleet One Class Rules shall apply.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The sailing instructions (SIs) will be available on the official notice board no later than 1500 on Thursday May 14.
- 2.2. Changes to the rules will be posted on the official notice board by 0930 on the day they take effect. Changes to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before they take effect.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1. The official notice board is located outside the downstairs Race Office. Race documents may also be located online at [Regatta Network](#).
- 3.2. On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.3. [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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 event is open to all Alerion 28 Active Members and Associate Members in good standing with the San Francisco Bay Alerion 28 Fleet One
- 4.2. "Out-of-Town" Alerion 28s are welcome to race or seek a charter/crew opportunity with a local Alerion 28. Contact the Fleet Captain, Chris Kramer (cfkramer6@gmail.com), for more information.
- 4.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing registration, including payment of fees, online by 1700 the Wednesday prior to the event. The link to register is online at [Regatta Network](#) and on the event's information page on the RYC club calendar [RYC events](#).
- 4.4. Refunds may be requested until the registration date, less a small processing fee charged by Regatta Network.
- 4.5. Overnight berthing at RYC may be arranged for the Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights of the regatta.

5. ENTRY FEE

- 5.1. The entry fee will be \$125, which provides signal and support boats as well as lunches for RC. A \$25 late fee will be charged after 1700 on the Wednesday prior to the event.
- 5.2. SF Bay Alerion 28 Fleet One and event sponsors plan to host a variety of sponsored social activities throughout the weekend.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1. First warning signal is anticipated to be 1155 each day unless announced otherwise.
- 6.2. No races will be started after 1500 on Sunday.

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7. VENUE

- 7.1. The event will take place in the waters of San Francisco Bay in the vicinity of the Berkeley Olympic Circle, Southampton Shoal Light, and Brooks Island.
- 7.2. RYC may use fixed marks or drop marks, or a combination thereof.

8. THE COURSES

- 8.1. The course(s) to be sailed will be shown using numeral pennant flags and will be described further in the SIs.
- 8.2. The race will start in the vicinity of Berkeley Olympic Circle, Southampton Shoal Light, or Brooks Island.

9. SCORING

- 9.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2. When 5 or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 6 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 10.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing 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.
- 10.2. The organizing authority, its staff and volunteers 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.

11. INSURANCE AND SAFETY

- 11.1. Valid third-party liability insurance is required.
- 11.2. Boats are required to meet the safety requirements of the SF Bay Alerion 28 Fleet One class rules.
- 11.3. RC and the SF Bay Alerion 28 Fleet Measurer may make spot checks for compliance with class rules at any time during the event.

12. PRIZES

- 12.1. Prizes will be given as follows: 1st, 2nd and 3rd

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the Regatta Chair for the event.

Chris Kramer, Regatta Chair: cfkramer6@gmail.com

Gene Harris, PRO: gene@pedrick.org

Fleet Website Contains helpful information such as class rules and season schedule:

<https://www.sfbayerion28.com/>