



CORTEZ RACING ASSOCIATION

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San Diego, CA



NOTICE OF RACE

TRIBUTE REGATTA

**Honoring the Life of CRA's Friend:
Mike Elovitz**

Saturday, April 4, 2026

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.
- 1.4 Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows:
(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

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available by 5:00 pm on Thursday, April 2, on the online [official notice board](#).

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located [here](#), or through the [CRA](#) website.
- 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 all members of organizations affiliated with US Sailing.

4.2 [DP] The regatta is open to all boats of the following classes, as defined below.

ORC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Boats shall have a current 2026 ORC certificate.	Spinnaker Classes
ORC Sport Boats	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Boats shall have a current 2026 ORC certificate.	In general, boats will be < 40' and displace < 5000 pounds, with high aspect ratio jibs.
Beneteau 36.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none">SoCal 36.7 Fleet	
J/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Boats shall be members of the J/24 Class Association.	
PHRF Non-Spin	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Boats shall have a 2026 PHRF certificate issued by either PHRF San Diego or PHRF SoCal.	

Other classes may be considered at the discretion of the RC Chair. The Fleet Captain should contact Colleen Cooke, CRA RC Chair, at sailorcookie2@gmail.com or (619)852-5010.

A minimum of five boats per class are needed to be scored as a One Design Class.

4.3 Classes will be based on entries and will be assigned by the Organizing Authority. The OA retains final authority for a boat's class placement.

4.4 Official Class assignments for the regatta will be established and posted as an amendment to the SIs on the online regatta event site no later than noon on Friday, April 3, 2026. Provisional assignments may be posted earlier.

4.4.1 For ORC classes, each boat's 5-Band Windward/Leeward Low/Med TOT rating will be used to determine the class breaks.

4.5 [DP] The class numeral pennant must be flown from the backstay of all yachts, *except J-24s*, or in a prominent manner on the stern, when checking in, while racing, and when finishing. Competitors shall supply their own pennant. Beneteau 36.7s will please fly their class flags from their backstays.

4.6 [DP] All boats shall have clearly visible sail numbers of a contrasting color to the body of the sail (see RRS G1.2). 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.

4.7 All eligible boats must enter on-line at [the event site](#), no later than **6:00pm** on **Thursday, April 2, 2026**.

4.8 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

4.9 Late entries will only be accepted from CRA 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

- 5.1 \$40 Registration fee for non-CRA members. No charge for CRA members.
How about donating \$40 to CRA? We're a 501(c)(3) corporation. [Use this link!](#)
- 5.2 CRA burgees are also available for purchase during registration for \$35.

6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Two races are scheduled for all classes.
- 6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is **11:55am**. The warning signal for the second race 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 **3:30pm**.

7 VENUE

- 7.1 The starting area is in the vicinity of the ½ mile marker mid-Harbor Island.
- 7.2 The racing area covers the general locale known as North San Diego Bay. For navigation, refer to NOAA Chart #18773, San Diego Bay.

8 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 8.1 USSA prescription *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 boats will be scored using the Time-on-Time method.
- 9.4 The ORC classes will be scored using either the 5-Band All Purpose or 5-Band Windward/Leeward *TOT* scoring options as appropriate for each race.
- 9.5 PHRF "RLC" ratings with non-spinnaker offsets (NSO) will be used for scoring the PHRF Non-Spin class.
- 9.7 The PRO's decision regarding the rating assigned will not be grounds for redress. This modifies 61.4(b)(1).
- 9.8 There shall be no changes to race or series scores resulting from action, including the correction of errors, initiated more than 72 hours after
 - (1) the protest time limit for the last race of the series;
 - (2) being informed of a protest committee decision after the last race of the series; or
 - (3) the results are published.However, in exception, changes to scores shall be made resulting from a decision under rules 6, 69, or 70.

10 RISK STATEMENT

- 10.1 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.

11 INSURANCE

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

12 PRIZES

- 12.1 Race results will be announced at the after-race party at Southwestern Yacht Club and published on the [CRA web site](#).
- 12.2 *Food and beverages are available for purchase at SWYC and all racers are invited to the club for the after race event.*
- 12.3 Prizes will be awarded using the listed procedure: one prize in each class of 2 - 4 boats, two for 5 - 7 boats, three for 8 or more, based on the number of starters in the class.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 13.1 Questions may be addressed to the CRA R/C Chair, Colleen Cooke, at sailorcookie@cox.net or (619)852-5010.