



Navy Yacht Club San Diego
 Wednesday Night Races
 2026 Spring Series
NOTICE OF RACE



Organizing Authority:
 Navy Yacht Club San Diego

Principal Race Officer:
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1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the rules of PHRF SoCal Rules and By-Laws, the rules of the competing classes (except as any of these are altered by these sailing instructions), and by the USCG Navigation Rules Inland.
- 1.2 Appendix T: Arbitration and Appendix V: Alternative Penalties, will apply. See NOR 8.
- 1.3 PHRF SoCal General Purpose (RLC) ratings will be used to score this race. The PHRF SoCal Windward-Leeward (Buoy) ratings may be used for scoring in the event a race is run on a windward/leeward buoy course. Offsets may be used in computing scoring of non-spinnaker boats.
- 1.4 No vessel has the right of way over a large ship in the channel. RRS 60.2 and 63.1 are modified so that the Race Committee (RC) may disqualify a boat infringing this instruction without a hearing.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all NYCSD members in good standing, all MWR eligible patrons, and Navy Yacht Club member’s guests. Boats not owned by NYCSD members may race, in compliance with this document, with a NYCSD member aboard; however, such boat is not eligible for trophies. This rule does not apply to MWR-owned boats and boats owned by non-profits.
- 2.2 Boats should have a current Rating Certificate from [PHRF SoCal](#) or have a rating in the [PHRF SoCal Manufacturer List](#). All other racers must contact the Principal Race Officer, listed above, for a rating.
- 2.3 To complete entry, boats must have registered on [Regatta Network NYCSD Beer Cans - Spring Series 2026](#) registration page and have paid the series entry fee of \$10 prior to the first warning before any series’ race. Entries will be accepted after any of the three series has begun but the entrant must participate in a minimum of four races to be eligible for a trophy in any series. Racers will need to re-register for each series: Spring, Summer and Fall.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Sailing Instructions will be made available on the [NYCSD Regatta Network](#) event page by 1800 the day prior to the first race of the series.
- 3.2 Notices to competitors will be posted on the [NYCSD Regatta Network](#) event page. Notices to competitors will also be posted on the front window of the NYCSD clubhouse.

4. RACE SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Wednesday Night Racing consists of three series (Spring, Summer, and Fall) with six races each for a total of eighteen races, and runs from April 15, 2026 through August 12, 2026. There will be a skipper’s meeting on 08 April 2026 at 1715 online ([Google Meets Video Call link](#)) or one can call into the meeting directly: (US) +1 484-713-9691 PIN: 234 174 688#.
- 4.2 One race per class is scheduled for each of the following dates:

| <u>Series:</u> | <u>Date:</u> | <u>Race # of Series</u> |
|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Spring Series | April 15, 2026 | 1/6 |
| | April 22, 2026 | 2/6 |

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| | April 29, 2026 | 3/6 |
| | May 06, 2026 | 4/6 |
| | May 13, 2026 | 5/6 |
| | May 20, 2026 | 6/6 |
| Summer Series | May 27, 2026 | 1/6 |
| | June 03, 2026 | 2/6 |
| | June 10, 2026 | 3/6 |
| | June 17, 2026 | 4/6 |
| | June 24, 2026 | 5/6 |
| | July 01, 2026 | 6/6 |
| Fall Series | July 08, 2026 | 1/6 |
| | July 15, 2026 | 2/6 |
| | July 25, 2026 | 3/6 |
| | July 29, 2026 | 4/6 |
| | August 05, 2026 | 5/6 |
| | August 12, 2026 | 6/6 |

4.3 A final Wednesday Night race may be scheduled for August 19, 2026 if required as a tiebreaker for the full eighteen (18) race series. A separate sailing instruction will be provided for this race.

4.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first class will be 1755.

5. VENUE

5.1 Racing shall take place in South San Diego Bay in the area between Fiddler's Cove Marina to the South, Navy Base Coronado to the North, and 32nd St. Naval Station to the East.

6. CLASSES AND CLASS FLAGS

6.1 The following classes will be offered:

| Class Description | Class Number | Class Flag Numeral Pennant |
|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| Racing | 1 Spinnaker | 1 |
| Cruising | 2 Non-Spinnaker | 2 |
| Capri 16.5 | 3 | 3 |

6.2 Except for the Capri 16.5 class, competitors may sign up for the Racing or Cruising class but the RC may change class assignments based on PHRF ratings. Official class assignments will be posted on the [NYCSD Regatta Network event page](#) by 1800 the day prior to the first race of the series. Provisional assignments for late entries may be made by the RC. The Organizing Authority retains final authority for a boat's class placement.

6.3 Competitors' class flag numerical pennants may be displayed from the boat's backstay. Boats without a backstay may display their pennants in the next most visible position.

6.4 Assignment of Capri 16.5 boats for competitor use, will be determined prior to departing the pier. Skippers will draw a random card from a stack of cards with each card having a corresponding boat number that is on the bow of the Capri 16.5. Skippers will draw one card on a first come first serve basis at the bar area. Swapping of assigned boats will not be authorized after the card has been drawn.

7. SCORING

7.1 Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A of the RRS, as amended by these instructions will apply.

- 7.2 PHRF SoCal General Purpose (RLC) ratings will be used to score all races. In the event a windward/leeward course is chosen, PHRF SoCal Windward-Leeward (Buoy) ratings *may* be used for scoring. **Special Handicap adjustments (up or down) may be made to level the field of participants in order to make the series anyone's race.** Each Skipper can elect to sign up in any class, but changing classes mid-season may affect a boat's ability to compete for the season championship.
- 7.3 Non-Spinnaker offsets will **NOT** be used.
- 7.4 Each boat's final series' score will be based on the best five **scores** (or one thrown out for a six-race series). A score for the purposes of this NOR is defined as a finish position, DNC, DNS, DNF, DSQ or other position as defined in the RRS, or the sailing instructions. A finish, DNS, DNF or a DSQ qualifies as participating in a race but a DNC does not. Should an entrant who does not participate in four races of a series, finishes in the top three positions, the next racer below them, who participated in 4 races, will move up in the series standings.
- 7.5 Depending upon participation and access to MWR rentals, scoring for the Spring series may be adjusted. The Organizing Authority retains final authority for scoring adjustments.
- 7.6 Capri 16.5 will be scored for the skipper assigned to the boat's number for each race. Skipper substitution will not be authorized.

8. **PRIZES**

- 8.1 During the Club's "Bring-Your-Own" Wednesday night barbeque (BBQ), provisional winners from each class will be announced. These winners will be awarded a commemorative winner flag that may be flown in their boat's rigging throughout the next week's race. At the end of the next race, these flags will be turned in/surrendered to the RC for distribution to that night's provisional winners. Final results and scores will be posted on the [NYCSD Regatta Network](#) event page.

- 8.2 Awards will be provided as follows:

| Boats in Class | Award(s) |
|----------------|----------|
| 1-4 | 1 |
| 5-7 | 2 |
| 8-12 | 3 |
| 13-19 | 4 |
| 20+ | 5 |

- 8.3. Following the first or second race of the Summer series, trophies will be awarded to each of the classes for the Spring series during the BBQ following the race. The Summer series champions will be awarded following the first or second race of the Fall series, and the Fall series champions will be awarded at the fun/makeup race. See NOR 4.3.
- 8.4. A boat/skipper scores from each series will be combined to score the 18 races to determine the overall champion in each class. These winners will receive a "Fargo Cup" award presented at the Opening Day in 2027. In the event of a tie in a class the Final race mentioned in NOR 4.3 will be used to determine the winner.

9. **CLEAN REGATTA**

- 9.1 This regatta is a Sailors for the Sea "Clean Regatta." As such, all competitors are encouraged to use non-single-use water bottles and recycle all appropriate items. Competitors are reminded of RRS 47, which states that competitors "shall not intentionally put trash in the water." Temporary bow numbers shall not be used.

10. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Questions may be addressed to the Organizing Authority, NYCSD at Vicecommodore@nycsd.club.