Santa Barbara Sailing Club & Santa Barbara Yacht Club

Goleta Beach Race, Cruise, & BBQ

August 29, 2026

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organizing Authority (OA) for the 2026 Goleta Beach Race will be:
The Santa Barbara Sailing Club (SBSC), PO Box 1542, Santa Barbara, CA 93102
The Santa Barbara Yacht Club (SBYC), 130 Harbor Way, Santa Barbara, CA 93109

The Goleta Beach Race has been a collaboration between the Santa Barbara Sailing Club and the Santa Barbara Yacht Club for several years with SBYC starting and finishing the race and the SBSC hosting an amazing on shore BBQ at Goleta Beach. There will be a race back following the BBQ for those that want to participate. Cruisers, racers, and members of both clubs are invited and encouraged to join in, even if you will be driving by road there. We look forward to having you join us!

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, applicable rules for One Design and PHRF classes and the US Safety Equipment Requirements for "Near Shore".

1.2 Membership with a valid rating certificate is required for the appropriate class association. Valid and current Southern Californian PHRF certificate in the online PHRF database (www.phrfsocal.org) shall constitute proof of membership for each entrant. PHRF of Southern California (PHRF) is the Rating Authority (RA) for this race.

1.3 For PHRF classes, a yacht's Area I Random Leg Course (RLC) rating shall be used. Non-spinnaker offsets will not be allowed.

1.4 Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, Rule V1 – 'Penalties at the time of the incident', and V2 – 'Penalty taken after a race' will apply.

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

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

1.7 RRS 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. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS [DP]

2.1 Boats shall comply with orders from the United States Coast Guard and adhere to US Coast Guard Regulations. Failure to comply with orders from the United States Coast Guard, Santa Barbara Harbor Patrol or any other recognized authority is grounds for disqualification without hearing at the discretion of the Race Committee. This Changes Rule 63.1. [DP]

2.2 Boats shall comply with the US Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER) except as modified by the notice of race and these sailing instructions. The course is classified as a Near Shore Race. The equipment requirements are available at: https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/safety-information/ser-world-sailing-special-regulations/. [DP]

The US Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER) are changed for the following sections:

2.2.1 For USSER 3.19.1, the words 'permanently mounted' are deleted. A permanently mounted magnetic compass is a recommendation for the race. [DP]

2.2.2 Boats using a 'One Design' PHRF configuration may use that One Design classes' published safety standards instead of the US Sailing Near Shore Safety Equipment Requirements, except as provided in 2.2.2(a). [DP]

(a) Harbor 20 class rules are changed so that all harbor 20's must carry an anchor and rode capable of anchoring a Harbor 20 firmly in place in non-harbor local waters in a minimum depth of 50 feet. [DP]

3. ENTRY & ELIGIBILITY

3.1 Eligible boats may enter the race by submitting a completed race entry form to the Santa Barbara Yacht Club no later than 0915 on the day of the race. Race Entry Forms are available at the front desk of SBYC or online at https://www.sbyc.org/racing. Exceptions are at the discretion of the Race Committee.

3.2 Eligible PHRF competitors shall have valid PHRF Certificates no later than 0930 on the day of the race to be eligible for the Wiman Trophy.

3.3 One design boats in recognized classes may enter without PHRF certificates using the local class ratings, at the discretion of the race committee.

RLC Ratings: Harbor 20 = 210; J/70 = 102; J/105 = 84; Melges 24 = 72

OWC Ratings: Harbor 20 = 210; J/70 = 96; J/105 = 84; Melges 24 = 69

3.4 One design boats may establish their own class if there are five (5) or more entries in that class and by informing the OA of their desire to do so by 1000 on the Thursday before the race.

3.5 CHRF class boats must submit an entry form for the 'CHRF Season' and must inform Race Committee of their entry by 0930 hours via the CHRF online sign-in. Exceptions are at the discretion of the Race Committee.

3.6 There is no entry fee for this race.

4. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

4.1 Notices to competitors and amendments to these Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board located online at https://sbyc.org/racing under the event heading.

4.2 The race office is located at the Santa Barbara Yacht Club - 130 Harbor Way, Santa Barbara, CA 93109, on the southwest corner of the building.

Telephone – (805) 965-8112, ext 114. Email – racing@sbyc.org.

4.3 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 71.

4.4 The following communications may be made by the race committee on VHF radio channel 71:

- Count downs to warning, preparatory, and start signals
- Abandonment of one or more fleets
- On course side boats or general recalls

5. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 1000 on the day of the race.

6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Santa Barbara Yacht Club yardarm.

7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

7.1 *Saturday, August 29, 2026*

0900	Registration closes
1125	Warning signal for CHRF
1155	First warning signal for remaining classes
1400-1600	BBQ at Goleta Beach (Ticket Sales will be at the BBQ)
	Awards at Goleta Beach during BBQ
	*Race back start time is taken by each individual competitor as they pass through the Goleta Pier start line.

1 hour after awards the shuttle boat stops

7.2 Order of starts will be posted on the notice board by 0930 hours.

8. CLASSES, CLASS FLAGS, AND ORDER OF STARTS

PHRF and One-Design class breaks, if any, will be determined by the number of boats entered in the race. The class splits, class flags, and order of starts will be posted on the SBYC notice board by 0930. These documents will also be made available at the front desk of SBYC.

9. COURSE

Race One (The Goleta Beach Race) - The course for race 1 will be from the Santa Barbara Yacht Club starting line to the finish line located at south of the end of Goleta Pier. The course length is rated at 7.0 nm for PHRF classes and 8.31 for CHRF.

Race Two (The Race Back) – The course for race 2 will be from the start line located at the south end of the Goleta Pier to the finish at the Santa Barbara Yacht Club finish line. The course length is rated at 7.0 nm for PHRF classes and 7.0 for CHRF.

10. SHORTENED COURSE

The course will not be shortened.

11. OBSTRUCTIONS [DP]

11.1 When any group (more than one) of swim buoys appears together, the area surrounded by the buoys is defined as a swim area obstruction. Any swim area obstruction is defined by lines commencing at the nearest shores and connecting each contiguous swim buoy. The obstruction ends when there are no more swim buoys within 300 yards of the last present swim buoy in the line. Boats enter a swim area obstruction shall exit the area immediately and retire from the race. [DP]

11.2 Visiting Cruise Ships including a 100-yard perimeter around the vessel are designated as obstructions. [DP]

12. START

12.1 For race one, the Start will be between marks F and G as shown on the current SBYC Course Chart. Starts shall be run in accordance with RRS 26 with the warning signal given five (5) minutes before the start. The start signal for one class will be the warning for the following class.

12.2 For race two, the Start line will be between the course side of an orange inflatable tetrahedron at the starboard end and the Goleta Pier at the port end. There will be no starting signals. Each boat shall take their own start time as they pass between the pier and the orange mark and report their starting time via email to racing@sbyc.org.

13. FINISH

13.1 For race one, the finishing line will be between the course side of an orange inflatable tetrahedron at the port-end and the Goleta Pier at the starboard end. In the event that the Race Committee is not present at the finish line or a finish mark is missing but another remains in place, US Sailing prescribes that '…the finishing line is a line through the remaining mark at a 90 degree angle to the last leg and of the shortest practicable length. If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report the race committee her finishing time and her position in relation to nearby boats at the first reasonable opportunity.' ***Boats are advised to give plenty of room to fishing lines when passing the Goleta Pier.***

13.2 For race two, the finishing line will be between marks F and G as shown on the current SBYC Course Chart. Each boat shall take their finish time and report it via email to racing@sbyc.org.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 Appendix V, Rule V1 will apply: The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while *racing.* However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'

14.2 Appendix V, Rule V2 – Post Race Penalties will apply:

(a) Provided that rule 44.1(b) does not apply, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident may take a Post-Race Penalty at any time after the race until the beginning of a protest hearing involving the incident.

(b) A Post-Race Penalty is a 30% Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rule 44.1(a) applies.

(c) A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by delivering to the arbitrator or a member of the protest committee a written statement that she accepts the penalty and that identifies the race number and where and when the incident occurred.

15. TIME LIMIT

If no boats have finished race one by 1430, both race one and race two will be abandoned. Boats failing to finish within 2 hours after the first boat in its class will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF).

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.1 Hearing request forms for protests, requests for redress, and reopening of a hearing are available at the front desk of SBYC or through the US Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing App. Hearing request forms may be emailed to racing@sbyc.org or delivered to the SBYC Race Office and shall be submitted within the appropriate time limit.

16.2 The filing time limit for protests or requests for redress about an incident observed in the racing area is 60 minutes after the protesting boat's finish time or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The filing time limit for other hearing requests is 60 minutes after the relevant information is available to the filing party.

16.3 Protest times and locations will be posted on the official notice board no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

17. SCORING

17.1 Race one will be 'The Goleta Beach Race'. For race one, PHRF finish position will be calculated on the basis of corrected times using each boat's Area I RLC handicaps. CHRF finish positions will be factored using the most recent CHRF handicaps. One-design class scoring will be in order of finish.

17.2 Race two will be a separately scored series. For race two, PHRF finish position will be calculated on the basis of corrected times using each boat's Area I OWC handicaps. CHRF finish positions will be factored using the most recent CHRF handicaps. One-design class scoring will be in order of finish.

17.3 Each race shall be scored completely independently of the other and will be two separate 'series'. Race one (The Goleta Beach Race) shall be the race that counts towards perpetual trophies.

18. TROPHIES

18.1 Awards for race one will be announced at the BBQ after the conclusion of race 1.

18.2 Awards for race two will SBYC glasses and will be available for pickup at SBYC following the conclusion of the race 2.

18.3 The Wiman Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the Santa Barbara Yacht Club overall winner of race one in the PHRF fleet based on the lowest corrected time. The Bill Daffron Sr. Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the Santa Barbara Sailing Club overall winner of race one in the PHRF fleet based on the lowest corrected time. The Vail Trophy will be awarded to the Club Handicap Racing Fleet overall winner of race one based on the lowest corrected time. Daily trophies will be awarded at the discretion of the race committee commensurate with the number of boats in each class. This modifies the CHRF Class Rules.

19. SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

The Santa Barbara Sailing Club will host a BBQ after the finish of the Race at Goleta Beach. Racers, cruisers, and all other club members and guests are invited. **Attendees are encouraged to sign up for the race ASAP and provide the number of guests during online registration.** The shuttle boat may be hailed on VHF Channel 71 for a ride to shore.

20. RISK STATEMENT

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.**

21. INFORMATION

Questions regarding this race may be directed to:

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