



Kaneohe Yacht Club
44-503 Kaneohe Bay Drive, Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744

Sailing Instructions 2026 Lahaina to KYC REGATTA

Monday, September 7th, 2026

- 1 RULES:** The races shall be governed by the 2025-2028 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including the US SAILING prescriptions, the Sailing Instructions (available at KYC by Aug. 21, 2025) and this Notice of Race. All boats shall be scored using KYC PHRF.

- 1.1** 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
- 1.2** RRS No. 47 does not apply for spinnaker stopping materials only. Spinnaker stopping materials must be biodegradable. RRS No. 47 still applies to trash.
- 1.3** Advertising will not be restricted.
- 1.4** All boats shall carry an operating VHF radio. Channel 68 will be used.
- 1.5** Racing boats and support boats shall monitor Channel 68 before, during, and after racing while in the vicinity of the race course.
- 1.6** Kaneohe Yacht Club (KYC) is the organizing authority.

2 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Date	Day	Time	Event
8/26/2026	Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	Lahaina to KYC Skippers Meeting (KYC) Upper Deck
9/7/2026	Monday	7:55 a.m.	First Warning for Lahaina to WYC Race Start
9/7/2026	Monday	8:00 a.m.	Start for Lahaina to WYC Race Start
9/7/2026	Monday	8:05 a.m.	First Warning for Lahaina to KYC Race Start
9/7/2026	Monday	8:10 a.m.	Start for Lahaina to KYC Race Start
9/12/2026	Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Awards Ceremony (Kaneohe Yacht Club)

- 3 SKIPPER'S MEETING:** The Skipper's Meeting will be held Wednesday, August 27th, 6:00 p.m. at Kaneohe Yacht Club, on the Upper Deck.

- 4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS** will be posted on the official notice board located on the North wall of the main entryway to the KYC clubhouse and also on the *Kaneohe Yacht Club website* (www.kaneoheyachtclub.com). NORs, SIs and notices can be found under **Regatta -> 2026 Lahaina to KYC Regatta**.

5 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

- 5.1** Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted at least two hours prior to the first start on the date it takes effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it takes effect.
- 5.2** The Race Committee [RC] may change the course configuration or sequence of starts at any time prior to the warning signal of any class.

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6 CLASSES:

- X class PHRF < 60
- A class PHRF 60 to 99
- B class PHRF > 99

7 RACING AREA:

- 7.1 START:** Lahaina Return: Start will be determined on race day based on weather conditions.
- 7.2 COURSE:** The racing area is from West Maui to Kaneohe Bay. Molokai is not a mark on the course and can be taken either to port or starboard.
- 7.3 FINISH:** Proceed to finish line between the end of E Pier and the reef marker on the south reef as you enter Kaneohe Yacht Club Marina.

8 THE STARTS:

- 8.1** Prior to their warning signal boats shall check in by approaching the RC boat on starboard tack and being acknowledged. Proper check in consists of saying boat name, sail number and skipper's name.
- 8.2** Recalls will be signaled in accord with Rule 29. The Race Committee may attempt to hail premature starters on VHF channel 68 but it is the responsibility of each yacht to start properly. A failure of the RC to hail a yacht shall not be grounds for protest or redress.

9 PROTESTS:

- A yacht intending to protest shall notify the KYC Race Committee by hail or on VHF channel 68 promptly after finishing that race.
- 9.2** Protests shall be filed in writing within one hour from the time that the Race Committee boat docks.
- 9.3** Protests will be heard as soon as possible after the filing deadline. If a protest involves any of the first three places in a class, the trophy presentation will be delayed until all protests have been resolved.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM: Rule 44.1 shall be in effect and modified to require only one turn.

11 SAFETY REGULATIONS: A boat withdrawing from a race shall promptly notify the Race Committee on VHF channel 68.

12 SCORING:

- 12.1** The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A4 will apply.
- 12.2** The application of handicaps will be Time-on-Time scoring using $TCF=480/(0 + DWC HPHRF)$. If a boat has an established HPHRF Down-Wind rating, that rating must be used. If the boat does not have an established HPHRF Down-Wind rating the organizing authority will assign a rating based on all available information.
- 12.3** Give away prizes for the top 3 places will be awarded for HYRA X/A combined class and the B class boats.

13 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS: Notices to registered competitors will be sent via text message

14 FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact Michael Vachio at 808-348-3637 or John Coller at 808-291-0176.