



St. Augustine Yacht Club

2026 Compass Rose Race

Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 If there is a conflict between these instructions and Notice of Race, these instructions shall take precedence.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 Notices to Competitors

- 2.1 Notice to competitors will be posted on the official event notice board [Notices](#)

3 Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted prior to the end of the skippers meeting.

4 Signals made Ashore

- 4.1 No signals will be made ashore.
- 4.2 If the race is to be cancelled or postponed prior to 1000 July 26, 2026
 - 4.2.1 It will be indicated per SI 2.1
 - 4.2.2 It will be announced as cancelled or postponed via email and text to participants
- 4.3 Skippers Meeting at the SAYC Clubhouse 1000 July 26, 2026 (registrations closed at end of meeting)

5 Schedule of Races

- 5.1 Schedule – July 26, 2026. All boats start at 1300 – there will be no flags or signals.
- 5.2 One race is scheduled.
- 5.3 The course will be announced at the skipper's meeting.

6 Classes and Class Flags

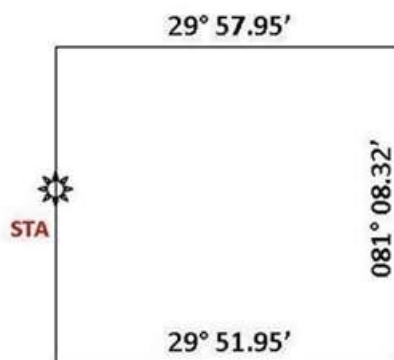
- 6.1 There will only be one class. Declaration of Spinnaker or Non-Spinnaker must be made prior to the end of the skippers meeting.

7 Racing Areas

- 7.1 The start will be at ATON "STA" at the St. Augustine, FL Inlet.

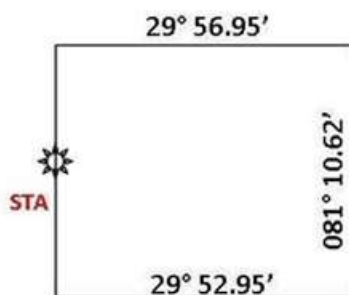
8 Marks & Courses

- 8.1 The only mark will be ATON "STA". There will be no committee boat on station.
- 8.2 The course will be announced as Medium or Short at the skipper's meeting.
- 8.3 Courses:



MEDIUM COURSE

16.9 NM



SHORT COURSE

11.3 NM

- 8.4 Boats start at ATON STA as described below and must "touch" the three remaining sides of the box.
- 8.5 Boats must "touch" each side at any point along each latitude or longitude described.

- 8.6 Boats may “touch” each side in any order of her choosing.
- 8.7 If any boat is protested under RRS 28 she **MUST** be able to provide evidence of “touching” each side in the form a digital time-stamped photograph of her navigation device showing her position at the touch point. If she is unable to provide such evidence she shall be disqualified without a hearing, this changes RRS 63.

9 The Start

- 9.1 The start line runs south from ATON STA 100 yards.
- 9.2 The start will be at 1300 using GPS Time. There will be no flags or signals.
- 9.3 Any boat observed to be over early may be protested by the observing boat. Along with the requirements of RRS 61.1, the protesting boat shall also make an announcement to the fleet via VHF 72.
- 9.4 A boat that does not start within 30 minutes after the start shall be scored DNS. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

10 The Finish

- 10.1 A boat will be considered finished when she is within 50 yards of ATON STA and STA bears 090° m from the helmsperson.
- 10.2 Each competitor shall take her time when the helmsperson is at the appropriate bearing.
- 10.3 Each competitor shall report her finish time over VHF 72 at the earliest opportunity.
- 10.4 Each competitor shall report her time as “Yacht Name XX:XX:XX” via text to 973-452-9417 within 30 minutes of her finish time.

11 Time Limits

- 11.1 For all classes the time limit will be 6 hours.

13 Protests and Requests for Redress

- 13.1 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished.
- 13.2 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of protest hearings. Hearings will be held at the Saint Augustine Yacht Club as soon as practical thereafter.
- 13.3 Intent to protest shall be sent via text to 973-452-9417 as “Yacht A protesting Yacht B for breaking RRS X.XX, Y.YY, etc.” within 30 minutes of the protesting boats finish.

14 Scoring

- 14.1 Low Point Scoring will be used as defined in RRS Appendix A. There will be a PHRF adjustment (-6 seconds) for each non-woven dacron sail used during the race (typically two).
- 14.2 Corrected times will be calculated using PHRF Time on Time with appropriate adjustment as defined in 14.1.

15 Safety Regulations

- 15.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify other boats via VHF 72 and via text to 973-452-9417
- 15.2 All boats SHALL have a representative and must check-in at the skipper’s meeting.
- 15.3 See RRS 27.1 and 40.

16 Radio Communication

- 16.1 Except in an emergency, or to comply with above instructions, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

17 Prizes

- 17.1 Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd.
- 17.2 After race party and announcements will be held at the St. Augustine Yacht Club at 1700 hrs.

18 Disclaimer of Liability

- 18.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authorities 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.

19 Insurance

- 19.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$250,000 per incident or the equivalent.

20 Further Information

- 20.1 For further information please contact: Brigitte Wagner, Rear Commodore of Sail, rcos@sayc.club; 973-452-9417