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2026 Fall One Design Series Aug 15, Sept 17 and Oct 17, 2026 Sailing Instructions

1. Rules

- 1.1. This event is governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2. RRS 40.1 applies; a Personal Flotation Device shall be worn while racing.

2. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 2.1. Any change to these sailing instructions will be posted before 1145 on the day it will take effect, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 2.2. The sailing documents may be changed on the water via VHF and if so, Flag L (Lima) will be displayed from the RC boat until the 1st warning.

3. Communication with competitors

- 3.1. Notices to Competitors will be posted on the online Official Notice Board at the event site located at <https://scyc.org/regatta/aep5orDU22>.
- 3.2. On the water, the race committee may monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 68.

4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SCYC Race Office Mast Flagpole.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in the RRS Race Signals description of flag AP.

5. Schedule

- 5.1 A competitors briefing is scheduled for 1100 hours on Saturday, August 15, 2026, at the Santa Cruz Yacht Club Clubhouse.
- 5.2 Dates of Racing for all classes:

August 15, 2026:	Three (3) Races for each fleet are scheduled
September 12, 2026:	Three (3) Races for each fleet are scheduled
October 17, 2026:	Three (3) Races for each fleet are scheduled
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1255.
- 5.4 The Race Committee may change the number of races held each day at its discretion.

6. Check-In

- 6.1 All participating boats shall check-in with the Race Committee by sailing past the Signal Vessel stern or calling on VHF channel 68 prior to the First Warning.

7. Class Flags

Class	Class Flag
Santa Cruz 27	Flag with Santa Cruz 27 Class symbol
Moore 24	Flag with Moore 24 Class symbol
Santana 22	Flag with Santana 22 Class symbol

8. Marks

- 8.1 All marks are listed in Attachment A.

9.The Courses

- 9.1 The course to be sailed will be indicated by the displayed numerical pennant(s) on the Signal Vessel.
- 9.2 Attachment A describes the courses, the order to which the marks are to be passed, the side on which each mark is to be left and a description of each mark.
- 9.3 The RC may change the leg of the course by up to five (5) degrees in bearing and/or 0.2 nm in length without a signal. This changes RRS 33.

10 Scoring

- 10.1 For the Santa Cruz 27, Santana 22 and Moore 24 classes, when fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her scores.
- 10.2 For the Santa Cruz 27, Santana 22 and Moore 24 classes, when five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her scores excluding her worst score.
- 10.3 RRS A5.3 applies.

11 The Start

- 11.1 The starting line is between Mark S/F and the staff of an Orange Flag displayed from the Signal Vessel.
- 11.2 The race committee may hail on VHF 68 the sail number or other identifying feature of any boat that was on the course side of the starting line at the start signal. The failure of a hail, the failure of a boat to hear a hail, or the order of the hail(s) shall not be grounds for a boat to request redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12 The Finish

- 12.1 The finishing line is between Mark S/F and the staff of a Blue flag displayed from the Signal Vessel.

13 Check out

- 13.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

14 Time Limit

- 14.1 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored TLE. For courses four (4) and five (5) the time is extended to 60 minutes. This changes Rules 35 and A4 and A5.

15 Penalty System

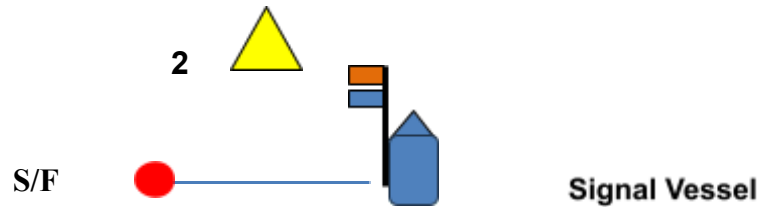
- 15.1 RRS rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

16 Protests and Requests for Redress

- 16.1 For each class, the protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the signal vessel has arrived at her berth in Santa Cruz Harbor. The protest filing time limit will be posted on the online official Notice Board and on the Race Office's North window.
- 16.2 Protest forms are available in the Race Office or in the clubhouse hallway across from the office door. Protest forms must be turned in at the Race Office.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted no later than thirty (30) minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearing in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the Race Office, beginning at the time posted.

ATTACHMENT A

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Course	Mark Order
1	Start > 1 > Finish
2	Start > 1 > 2 > 1 > Finish
3	Start > 1 > 2 > 1 > 2 > 1 > Finish
4	Start > Natural Bridges > Finish
5	Start > Schuyler > Mile > Black Point > Finish

All Marks Rounded to Port

DESCRIPTION OF MARKS:

Name	Location	Description
Mark 1	Temporary	Orange Inflatable Tetrahedron
Mark 2	Temporary	Yellow Inflatable Tetrahedron
Mark S/F	Temporary	Red Ball on Port side of Signal Vessel
Schuyler	N 36° 56.85' W 122° 01.29'	Yellow Ball Marked "SCHUYLER"
Mile	N 36° 56.35' W 122° 00.58'	Large Red/White 'SC' Whistle Buoy
Black Point	N 36° 57.12' W 121° 59.00'	Yellow Ball Marked "SCYC 1"
Natural Bridges	N 36° 56.58' W 122° 03.71'	Yellow Ball Marked "SCYC 4"