



2026 Wylie Wabbit National Championship

Organizing Authority: Inverness Yacht Club

October 2nd - 4th, 2026

Notice of Race (NoR)

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing and the class rules of the Wylie Wabbit fleet.
- 1.2. RRS 40.1 shall apply when boats are in the racing area and is modified with added text in *italics*: "*Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices while on the race course, except briefly while changing clothing or personal equipment.*".
- 1.3. RRS 40.2 is deleted. Flag Y will not be displayed.
- 1.4. Boats may sail without the required anchor gear.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The sailing instructions will be available no later than 1800 PDT September 30th, 2026 on the event notice board web page.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The online official notice board is located [here](#).
- 3.2. On the water communication by the race committee to competitors will be via VHF channel 69. Competitors should carry a VHF radio to receive these communications.
- 3.3. Except in an emergency or when retiring from a race, a boat that is racing shall not make or receive voice or data transmissions that are not available to all competitors. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. This regatta is open to all boats of the Wylie Wabbit Class that are in compliance with the Class Rules and have paid their 2026 class dues. Each sailor must sign a Waiver and Release of Liability. These forms will be available online during the registration process.
- 4.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the [online registration](#) including payment of the entry fee.

5. FEES

- 5.1. The entry fee is \$175 if paid on the event website no later than September 18, 2026 at 2100 PDT.
- 5.2. A late fee of \$50 will be added to all payments received after this date and time.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1. The schedule of events is as follows (all times are PDT):

Oct 1 1000 IYC open for boat arrivals and launching.
Oct 2 1000 Event check-In open
1230 Skipper's Meeting
1300 All Boats Launched
1400 Long Race Warning. Start/Finish @ IYC
1800 Pizza Dinner @ IYC Deck
Oct 3 1100 Race 2 @ Marconi Cove
Race 3 @ Marconi Cove
Race 4 @ Marconi Cove
1800 BBQ Dinner @ IYC Deck
Oct 4 1100 Race 5 @ Marconi Cove
Race 6 @ Marconi Cove, Finish @ IYC
1600 Awards Ceremony
Six (6) races are scheduled for the regatta.

- 6.2 The OA reserves the right to modify the schedule for any reason.

7. MEASUREMENT

- 7.1. All boats shall conform to class measurement requirements with the exception of required anchor gear.
- 7.2. All boats may be subject to inspection during the event by the class measurer or their designee.

8. VENUE

- 8.1. This event will be sailed on Tomales Bay

9. COURSE

- 9.1. The Long Course will utilize the extent of Tomales Bay.
- 9.2. Saturday's and Sunday's courses will be windward/leeward and triangle/windward/leeward to the extent possible given the wind direction and the geography of Tomales Bay.
- 9.3. Courses will be published in the SIs.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1. US Sailing Prescriptions V1 is in effect. RRS 44.1 "Taking a Penalty" is revised according to Appendix V1, which states *"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.'"*
- 10.2. Unless the course is shortened at the windward mark, penalties for incidents that take place while in the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg may be delayed and taken as soon as possible after rounding the weather mark or offset mark (if any). This changes RRS 44.2.

11. SCORING

- 11.1. The Low Point Scoring system described in RRS A4 will be used.
- 11.2. Completion of three (3) races shall constitute a championship series.
- 11.3. When 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of all her race scores, excluding her worst score (not including a DSQ).
- 11.4. A boat that did not sail the course, did not finish, or retired shall be scored one (1) point more than the number of boats that finished that race. This changes RRS A5.2.
- 11.5. A boat that did not start a race shall be scored one (1) point more than the number of boats that started that race. This changes RRS A5.2.
- 11.6. A boat that was disqualified (DSQ) shall be scored two (2) points more than the number of boats that finished that race. This changes RRS A5.2.
- 11.7. A DSQ shall not be excluded from a boat's series score under 11.3

12. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 12.1. All boats shall be afloat before 1300 PDT on Friday, October 2nd. Any request for an exception must be submitted in writing and approved by the PRO before the deadline.
- 12.2. Boats shall remain afloat and not be hauled out until the completion of the final race of the regatta, unless repair requires hauling a boat. A request to haul out a boat must be submitted in writing and approved by the PRO prior to haul out. A haul out will be governed by the time and conditions established with an approved request.

13. BERTHING

- 13.1. All boats shall be launched at Inverness YC and shall be in the water overnight each day after racing.
- 13.2. Boats are required to provide a mooring buoy and ground tackle (anchor, chain and rode) capable of mooring their boat securely overnight.

- 13.3. Boats should be moored in front of the IYC Race Deck, about mid-bay. Anchor and mooring float can remain in the water during racing. Class rule required anchors need not be carried for this event.
- 13.4. The IYC dock is not available for overnight berthing

14. RISK STATEMENT

- 14.1. RS 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.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

Principal Race Officer (PRO): Skip Shapiro (sailorskip76@gmail.com)
Fleet Contact: Erik Menzel (erik.menzel@gmail.com)

***** End of NOR – See additional information on following page *****

Additional Regatta Information

Trailer and Car Parking

Parking is limited and existing signage needs to be respected. YC members need access to their boats and emergency vehicles need to have clear lane to the YC building.

Trailers should be parked across the street from the Inverness YC main gate in order to prioritize car parking on the YC property.

Meals and Drinks

There are three dinner meals included in the entry fee for each boat on Friday (pizza) and Saturday (BBQ). Additional meals can be purchased for \$20. The IYC bar will be open Friday evening. Beverages will be provided but consider this a BYOB event.

Beverages will be sponsored by Ullman Sails San Francisco



Accommodations

Nearby options include home rentals via AirBnB, VRBO and other online services, as well as motels, cottages and inns including:

- St. Columba Retreat House (<http://www.stcolumbasinverness.org/accomodations>)
- Motel Inverness (www.motelinverness.com)
- Tomales Bay Resort & Marina (www.tomalesbayresort.com)
- Dancing Coyote Beach Cottages (www.dancingcoyotebeach.com)
- Point Reyes Station Inn (<https://pointreyesstationinn.com>)
- Olema House (www.olemahouse.com)
- Olema Camp Ground (<https://olemacampground.net/>)
- Samuel P Taylor Camp Ground (<https://parks.ca.gov/469>)