



2026 SF CLASSIC / UN CHALLENGE REGATTA

July 11, 2026

Organizing Authority: St. Francis Yacht Club

San Francisco, California, USA

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The following abbreviations apply

SI: Sailing Instructions

PC: Protest Committee

RC: Race Committee

OA: Organizing Authority

[DP]: Discretionary Penalty (PC may decide less than disqualification)

RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing

NOR: Notice of Race

ONB: Official Notice Board

[NP]: A boat may not protest (changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the ONB located at [the event website](#).

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the SI will be posted no later than 60 minutes prior to the first warning on the day it will take effect, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.
- 2.2 Changes may be made on the water by the RC on VHF 69 and if so, Flag L (Lima) will be displayed.



3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located at the StFYC Race Deck.
- 3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, (1) one minute is replaced with not less than (30) thirty minutes. This changes RRS Race Signals.

4 SCHEDULE AND TIMES OF RACES

The schedule is as follows:

Date	Time	Event	Location
Saturday, July 11	0900 - 1130	Jersey Pick-Up	Race Office
	1145	Competitors Meeting	Race Deck
	1300	First Warning Signal	On the water
	After Racing	Regatta Social & Awards	Starting Line Room

5 RACING AREA

Races will be conducted on the San Francisco Bay between the Golden Gate Bridge and the Berkeley shore.

6 COURSES & MARKS

See Addendum 'Description of Marks and Course'.

7 THE START

7.1 The SF Classic intended starting order and class flags will be:

CLASS FLAG	DESCRIPTION	CLASS FLAG
Kite and Parawingfoil	Yellow Flag	
Windsurfer	W (Whisky Flag)	
Wingfoil	R (Romeo Flag)	

7.2 The intended starting order is as follows: Kite & Parawingfoil, Windsurfer, Wingfoil

7.3 For the SF Classic RRS 26 will be used, modified to a (3) minute sequence as follows. This changes RRS Appendix B:

3 minutes (Warning): Class Flag
2 minutes: U Flag Signal (*)
1 minute: U Flag removed
0 minute (Starting Signal): Class flag removed

(*) 30.3 U Flag Rule

If flag U has been displayed, no part of a boat's hull shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first *mark* during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she shall be disqualified without a hearing, but not if the race is restarted or resailed.



7.4 For the UN Challenge: Starting line is the finish line for the SF Classic.

- A competitors start time for the UN Challenge is their finish time of the SF Classic.
- Only competitors who complete the SF Classic will be scored for the UN Challenge.

8 THE FINISH

8.1 SF Classic: see Addendum 'Description of Marks and Course'.

8.2 UN Challenge: The finish line will be between StFYC outer mark "A" or an inflatable and a yellow placard on the StFYC Race Deck.

9 TIME LIMITS

9.1 The time limit for the SF Classic is (120) minutes for all finishers in all divisions.

9.2 To remain eligible to compete in the UN Challenge, a boat must finish the SF Classic within its time limit.

9.3 The time limit for each boat in the UN Challenge is (90) minutes from her finish of the SF Classic.

10 COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC

Competitors shall keep clear of all commercial traffic.

11 PROTESTS, REQUESTS FOR REDRESS AND SCORING INQUIRIES

11.1 The protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the race committee signal boat docks.

11.2 Hearings will be held remotely via Zoom at a time scheduled by the Chief Judge.

11.3 Electronic Hearing Request forms are available at:

https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/protests/new?event_id=13435 or available in paper at the jury desk.

11.4 Hearing requests shall be submitted electronically via links provided on the official notice board, or in-person to a member of the race or protest committees. All such requests shall be delivered within the appropriate time limit.

11.5 The protest committee will schedule hearings in the order it determines. The hearing schedule will be posted on the official notice board at <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/schedules/13435/event>. This shall constitute the notification required by RRS 63.1(a). As a courtesy, the schedule may also be posted on an unofficial notice board located in the corridor near the competitor's entrance to the St. Francis Yacht Club.

12 SAFETY REGULATIONS [NP][DP]

12.1 [DP] All competitors shall check out with the Beach Marshall on the beach and check in with the Beach Marshall

during the finish.

- 12.2 [DP] All competitors participating in this event shall carry a cell phone, or radio which can be used to contact the race committee for safety reasons.
- 12.3 [DP] Kiteboarders are required to always use proper safety equipment. This includes but is not limited to a safety release system which is able to be released under pressure, able to be released quickly without looking at the system and will result in the kite becoming completely disconnected from the rider.
- 12.4 The Race Committee intends to monitor VHF channel 69.
- 12.5 [NP] A competitor that retires from a race shall notify the RC, a safety boat or the Beach Marshall as soon as possible.

13 INFORMATION

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Addendum 'Description of Marks and Course'

1. **START SF CLASSIC:** Between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC Signal boat and a red inflatable PIN mark.
2. Round RN"2" to starboard (Red Nun Buoy, west of the South Tower of Golden Gate Bridge).
3. Round to starboard, a RIB with an orange flag and towing a yellow inflatable buoy, located east of the North Tower of the Golden Gate Bridge.
4. Round Starting Line PIN (a red inflatable mark) to starboard.
5. Round RN"2" to starboard (Red Nun Buoy, west of the South Tower of the Golden Gate Bridge)
6. Round to Starboard, a RIB with an orange flag and towing a yellow inflatable buoy, located east of the North Tower of the Golden Gate Bridge.
7. Round Anita Rock "AR" Platform to port.
8. Round Harding Rock "HR" (RG Buoy) to starboard.
9. Round Blossom Rock "BR" (GR Bell Buoy) to Port.
10. Round Point Blunt "PB" (G"3") to starboard.
11. Round "R2" (FI R 6s) to port.
12. Round "R4" (FI R 2.5s) to starboard.
13. Round Yellow Inflatable "P" to port - near the end of the Berkeley Pier.
14. Round Yellow Inflatable to starboard near the former Olympic Circle Buoy "X".
15. Pass through the easternmost gap in the Berkeley Pier.
16. **FINISH SF CLASSIC & START UN CHALLENGE:** Between an orange flag on RC boat anchored off HS Lordship's Restaurant and a yellow inflatable mark set to the east. This changes RRS Race Signals.

