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2026 MIX & MATCH REGATTA

"JACK AND JILL"

OCTOBER 24, 2026

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

1.1. This series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
1.2. RRS 40.1 applies; competitors must wear a Personal Flotation Device while racing.
1.3. It is the responsibility of the skipper to comply with current official regulations in effect on the day of the Regatta.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

2.1. Notices to Competitors will be posted on-line only on the Regattas page on the Santa Cruz Yacht Club website. The link to the site is: https://scyc.org/regatta/PqBzdzZoFb
2.2. On the water, the Race Committee may use VHF channel 68 for communication.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 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.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SCYC Race Office flagpole.
4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in race signals AP.

5. SCHEDULE

5.1. A Competitors' meeting will be held at the SCYC clubhouse at 1030 hrs. on Saturday October 24, 2026.
5.2. Warning signal for the race is scheduled for 1255 on Saturday October 24, 2026.
5.3 One race is scheduled. One race constitutes the series.
5.3 Awards to be presented at the SCYC Clubhouse following the race.

6. DIVISIONS and CLASS FLAGS

6.1. DIVISION 1 – Double-Handed Spinnaker	Flag "F"
6.2. DIVISION 2 – Double-Handed Jib and Main	Flag "E "
6.3. DIVISION 3 – Family Spinnaker	Flag "J"
6.4. DIVISION 4 – Family Jib and Main	Flag "K"
6.5. DIVISION 5 – Mix and Match Foursome Spinnaker	Flag "R"
6.6. DIVISION 6 – Mix and Match Foursome Jib and Main	Flag "Q"
6.7. DIVISION 7 – MOORE 24 Double-Handed Spinnaker	Yellow flag with Red class insignia

7. RACING AREA

7.1 The racing area will be around temporary or inflatable or fixed marks within three miles of Walton Lighthouse at Santa Cruz Harbor.

7.2 The area between Seal Rock and Point Santa Cruz is **restricted**. Any boats sailing in that area will be scored DSQ without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5 7.6.

8. MARKS

8.1. Mark #1 is orange and Mark #2 is yellow. Both are inflatable tetrahedrons set at temporary locations.

8.2. Gate1 is comprised of mark "Start (S/F)" and the "Signal Vessel".

8.3 "Start S/F" may be replaced with a red ball as necessary in the vicinity of the Signal Vessel. If in place this replaces "Start S/F" for the purpose of "Start", "Finish", and "Gate 1".

8.4 Others are fixed Marks and their approximate coordinates and relative positions are described below.

Mark Name	**Mark Location**	**Mark Description**
Orange #1	Approx. 1 nm upwind	Inflatable tetrahedron
Yellow #2	Upwind of Signal Boat	inflatable tetrahedron
Black Pt. (BP)	36°57.12'N – 121°59.00'W	Yellow ball marked "SCYC 1"
Government (Gov.)	36°57.47'N – 122°00.72'W	Large white metal ball marked "CG"
Mile Buoy (Mile)	36°56.35''N –122°00.59''W	Large RW "SC" WHISTLE buoy
Mitchells Cove (MC)	36°56.79'N – 122°02.34'W	Yellow ball marked "SCYC 3"
Snyder	36°56.50'N – 121°58.08'W	Yellow ball marked "SNYDER"
Start (S/F)	36°57.11'N – 121°59.83'W	Yellow ball marked "SCYC 2"
Schuyler	36°56.85'N – 122°01.29'W	Yellow ball marked "SCHUYLER"

9. THE START

9.1. The starting line is between the mark "Start (S/F)" and an **orange** flag displayed from a staff aboard the Signal Boat.

9.2. The race committee may hail on VHF channel 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. The changes RRS 62.1.

9.3. **The start/finish line is restricted.** Boats must stay clear of the starting and finishing area except for their start or finish, or when the course includes "Gate 1" as a mark on the course**. Boats failing to keep clear will be scored DSQ without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.**

9.4. The Race Committee may combine classes by display of multiple Class Flags and may announce the combination on VHF 68.

10. COMMUNICATION

10.1. **Competitors must check in** by giving their sail number to Race Committee on VHF 68 by 1245 hrs. Check in is not complete until acknowledged by the Race Committee. **Boats that do not complete radio check in will be scored DNC.** This changes Rule A6 3.3

10.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity, and must get acknowledgement from the Race Committee.

11. THE FINISH

11.1. The finishing line will be between a "Start S/F and a **blue** flag displayed from a staff aboard the Signal Boat.

11.2. If the Race Committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time and her position in relation to nearby boats to the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

12. THE COURSES

12.1. The table below shows the courses and the order in which marks shall be rounded.

12.2. Orange #1, Yellow #2, and all fixed marks are left to port, unless otherwise indicated by the designation "(Stb)" following the mark listed.

12.3 The course to be sailed will be indicated by the display of a number pennant flown from the staff on the signal boat. The course to be sailed may also be announced on VHF 68.

Course	Mark Rounding Order	Approx Length
1	Start - Orange #1 – Finish	2.0 nm
2	Start –Orange #1 – Yellow #2 – Orange #1 - Finish	4.0 nm
3	Start - Mitchell Cove – Black Pt. - Finish	5.4 nm
4	Start - Schuyler - Black Pt. - Gate1 - Schuyler – Black Pt. - Finish	7.4 nm
5	Start – Schuyler – Black Pt. - Finish	3.7 nm
6	Start – Snyder – Gov. - Finish	4.7 nm
7	Start – Black Pt. - Schuyler- Finish	3.7 nm
8	Start – Mile (Stb) – Gov. – Schuyler - Finish	4.1 nm
9	Start - Mile - Black Pt. - Mile - Finish	4.9 nm
10	Start - Government – Snyder - Gate 1 - Government - Finish	6.3 nm

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1. RRS RULE 44.1 IS CHANGED SO THAT THE TWO-TURNS PENALTY IS REPLACED BY THE ONE-TURN PENALTY.

14. TIME LIMIT

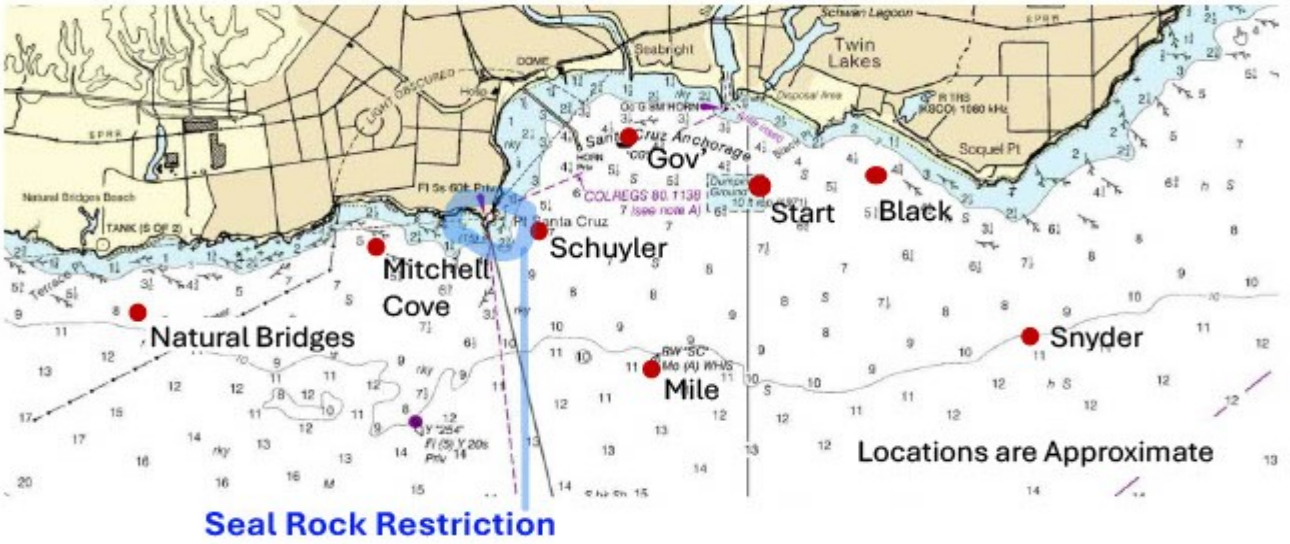
14.1 Boats that have not finished by 1730 will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS63.3 and A5.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1. Protest Forms are available at the SCYC Race Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the Race Office within the time limit.

15.2. The protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the signal boat has arrived at her berth in Santa Cruz Harbor. The protest filing time limit will be posted on the Online Notice Board and North Window of the Race Office

15.3. Notices will be posted no later than thirty (30) minutes after the protest filing time limit to inform competitors of hearing in which they are parties.



International Code Flags

