

# Humboldt Yacht Club



## ***In-Bay Keelboat Series 2026***

*Humboldt Yacht Club*

### **Notice of Race (NOR)**

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing.*
- 1.2 All keelboats shall comply with the Nearshore category of the US Safety Equipment Requirements (SERs) available at [www.humboldtyachtclub.org](http://www.humboldtyachtclub.org). Boats must have an initialed copy of the SERs filed with Humboldt Yacht Club.

Rule 40.1 Wearing of personal floatation devices (PFD's), is in effect at all times while racing.

#### 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions are available on the Humboldt Yacht Club Website ([humboldtyachtclub.org](http://humboldtyachtclub.org)) under the racing tab and at the skippers meeting on the day of each race.

#### 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board will be located at the HYC Clubhouse in the Wharfinger Building, 1 Marina Way, Eureka, CA 95501

- 3.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on Channels 16 and 69.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio, channel 69.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to both members and non-members of the Humboldt Yacht Club. Non-members will not be scored for the series nor be eligible for prizes awards.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by signing-up at the mandatory skippers meeting held at the club room of the Wharfinger Building, one hour prior to the first scheduled race on each race day.
- 4.3 In order to be eligible for prizes and to be included in the series results, skippers must volunteer to be Race Committee at least once in the year of competition.

5 FEES

- 5.1 There are no fees for the In-Bay Keelboat Series.

9 SCHEDULE

9.3 Dates and times of racing: IN-BAY KEEL

January 3, 1400	August 1, 1400
February 7, 1400	October 3, 1400
March 7, 1400	November 7, 1400
April 4, 1400	December 5, 1400
May 2, 1400	

9.4 Number of races

One or two races will be held on each racing day.

12 VENUE

- 12. The racing area will be inside Humboldt Bay.

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13 COURSES

- 13. A course of buoy, or fixed mark, rounding within Humboldt Bay
- 1 Course sheets.

## 15 SCORING

15. Finishing places will be calculated by the PHRF Time-on-Time handicapping method. PHRF handicaps will be determined by the Humboldt Yacht Club for each boat racing by reference to the United States Performance Handicap Racing Fleet. Average PHRF handicaps will be determined on a case-by-case basis for boats not listed in this publication. This publication and current previously determined PHRF handicaps for member boats is available on the Humboldt Yacht Club Website under the Racing tab.  
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15. The Low Point scoring system in Appendix A of the Racing Rules of Sailing will apply as amended below.  
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15. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.  
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15. As per US SAILING A.2.1 Each boat's series score, shall be the total of races scored, excluding her one worst score if at least five races are sailed. If more than eight races are sailed, a boat will be able to exclude her two worst race scores.  
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15. A boat may elect to race in a *series* without a spinnaker. Boats electing to do so will be given +18 sec/mi on their PHRF handicap. Should said boat fly a spinnaker at any time during a *series*, their handicaps will be adjusted back to the standard PHRF for all races in the series retroactively and going forward. Boats may elect to do some series with a spinnaker and some without.  
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15. If a boat has entered any race in the series, she shall be scored for the whole series. Refer to US Sailing Rule A5.3.  
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## 22 RISK STATEMENT

22. RRS 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.**  
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22. All skippers and all crew members participating in this race series, or  
2 any race series organized, sanctioned or approved by Humboldt  
Yacht Club must sign, and place on file at the Club Room, the  
Humboldt Yacht Club Perpetual Release of Liability and Waiver.

24 PRIZES

24. Prizes will be awarded to participating boats occupying the first three  
1 places in the series as long as at least four boats participate in the  
series. If three or fewer boats participate in the series, the Humboldt  
Yacht Club will determine an appropriate number of prizes.

25 FURTHER INFORMATION

25. For further information please contact the Humboldt Yacht Club  
1 Commodore.