

Humboldt Yacht Club



Whistler Series 2026

Humboldt Yacht Club

Notice of Race (NOR)

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| 1 | RULES |
| 1.1 | The event is governed by the rules as defined in <u><i>The Racing Rules of Sailing.</i></u> |
| 1.2 | All boats selecting the Whistler buoy, ocean course will comply with the Coastal category of the US Safety Equipment Requirements (SERs). All boats selecting the In-Bay buoy and marker course shall comply with the Nearshore category of the US Safety Equipment Requirements (SERs). Both SERs are available at 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. |
| 1.3 | All boats selecting the Whistler buoy, ocean course, shall have at least two people on board at all times. |
| 2 | SAILING INSTRUCTIONS |
| 2.1 | The sailing instructions are available on the Humboldt Yacht Club Website (humboldtyachtclub.org) under the racing tab and at the skippers meeting on each day on which races are held. |
| 3 | COMMUNICATION |

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| 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 | A minimum of 3 boats of the same design may be scored as a class, provided they are sailed in accordance with published class rules. | | | |
| 4.4 | Eligible boats may enter by signing-up at the mandatory skipper's meeting held at the club room of the Wharfinger Building, one hour prior to the scheduled race(s) on each race day or within 24 hours prior to the skipper's meeting on each race day. | | | |
| 4.5 | Each skipper and all crew members participating in this race (or series) must have signed and placed on file with HYC its "Perpetual Release of Liability and Waiver" form. | | | |
| 4.6 | 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 Series. | | | |
| 9 | SCHEDULE | | | |
| 9.3 | Dates of racing: <table border="1" data-bbox="289 1583 711 1734"> <tr> <td>June 14, 2026 1200 hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>September 20, 2026 1200 hrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> </tr> </table> | June 14, 2026 1200 hrs | September 20, 2026 1200 hrs | |
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| 9.4 | Number of races: | | | |

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| | One race will be sailed on each race day at the discretion of the Race Committee, based on weather conditions. |
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| 12 | VENUE |
| 12.1 | The racing area will be in or near Humboldt Bay. |
| 13 | COURSES |
| 13.1 | A course of buoy, or fixed mark, rounding out to the Whistler Buoy or within Humboldt Bay as described in the Sailing Instructions. |
| 15 | SCORING |
| 15.1 | 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 previously determined PHRF handicaps for member boats are available on the Humboldt Yacht Club Website under the Racing tab. |
| 15.2 | The Low Point scoring system in Appendix A of the Racing Rules of Sailing will apply as amended below. |
| 15.3 | One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. |
| 15.4 | Each boat's series score, shall be the total of races scored. |
| 15.5 | A boat may elect to race in a <i>series</i> 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 <i>series</i> , their handicaps will be adjusted back to the standard PHRF for all races in the series retroactively and going forward. Boats may elect to compete in some series with a spinnaker and some without. |
| 15.6 | 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. |
| 22 | RISK STATEMENT |
| 22.1 | 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 |

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| | <p>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.</p> |
| 24 | PRIZES |
| 24.1 | Prizes will be awarded to boats occupying the first three 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 |
| 25.1 | For further information please contact the Humboldt Yacht Club Vice Commodore. |