



Kelowna Yacht Club
Commodores Cup Regatta
August 14-16, 2026
NOTICE of RACE (NoR)

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority (OA) for this event is the Kelowna Yacht Club, located at 1370 Water Street, Kelowna BC.

1.0 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (2025-2028),
- 1.2 *Sail Canada Prescriptions* to *The Racing Rules of Sailing* apply, available online at <https://kelownayachtclub.com/racing/race-management-resources/>.
- 1.3 *PHRF-BC Rules* apply to handicap racing fleets, available online at bcsailing.ca.
- 1.4 Where applicable, Santana 525 One-Design Class rules apply, available online at <https://kelownayachtclub.com/racing/race-management-resources/>.

2.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available online after 12 pm (noon) on or before August 7, 2026, at <https://kelownayachtclub.com/event/2026-commodores-cup/>.
- 2.2 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be posted to the official online notice board <https://kelownayachtclub.com/event/2026-commodores-cup/>.

3.0 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <https://kelownayachtclub.com/event/2026-commodores-cup/>.
- 3.2 [Discretionary Penalty - DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on Channel 72.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio, channel 72.
- 3.4 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to

all boats.

4.0 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all keel boats that,
- 4.1.1. hold a valid 2026 PHRF-BC certificate, or
 - 4.1.2. one-design Santana 525, subject to 4.3 below.
- 4.2 The PHRF-BC rating system with time-on-time calculations apply.
- 4.3 A minimum of three (3) Santana 525 boats registered to race shall constitute a separate one-design fleet. Boats racing in the one-design fleet shall comply with class rules.
- 4.4 Where fewer than three (3) Santana 525's are registered for the overall series, the PHRF-BC rating system will apply, and boats will be assigned to a fleet subject to rating.
- 4.5 Provisional Classes are defined as follows:

Fleet 1	PHRF	< 153
*S525	Class Rules	One Design Racing
Fleet 3	PHRF	> =153

*Minimum three (3) entries required to constitute a one-design fleet.

- 4.6 Boats may enter the event by registering online using the link at <https://kelownayachtclub.com/event/2026-commodores-cup/>.
- 4.7 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

5.0 FEES

- 5.1 Entry fees for all Classes are as follows:

Skipper & Vessel Registration (Early Bird)	\$105.00
Competitor Entry Fee (Early Bird)	\$105.00
Skipper & Vessel Registration (After Aug 3)	\$125.00
Competitor Entry Fee (After Aug 3)	\$125.00

Skipper & Vessel Registration Entry Fees include:

- *Friday Night Welcome Social*
- *Two Full Days of Racing*
- *Saturday Night Social Activities*
- *Sunday Awards Banquet with Prizes for Winners in Each Fleet*
- *One (1) Weekend Meal Tickets*

Please note: Individual meal tickets may be available for purchase closer to the event, subject to venue capacity and availability.

5.2 Refunds and/or cancellations will be accepted up to 5:00 pm PDT on Friday, August 7, 2026. Please note, all refunds and/or cancellations will be subject to a \$25.00 administration fee. Any refunds/or cancellations processed after this date will be subject to a 100% charge of the overall fee.

5.3 Prices stated above are subject to the appropriate taxes, fees and gratuities.

6.0 SCHEDULE

Check-In:

Friday, August 14 from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm PDT at the Kelowna Yacht Club

Racing:

Scheduled time for the first warning signal on **Saturday, August 15, 2026**, is **10:00 am** PDT with no race starting later than 4:00 pm PDT. Weather permitting, Saturday racing will include a distance component using a combination of KYC fixed marks between A and E.

Scheduled time for the first warning signal on **Sunday, August 16, 2026**, is **10:00 am** PDT with no race starting later than 2:30 pm PDT.

Social Events:

A detailed social schedule will be circulated closer to the date of the event.

7.0 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

7.1 Boats may be inspected at any time.

7.2 Transport Canada required safety equipment must be on board at all times and may be inspected at any time.

8.0 VENUE

8.1 Courses to be sailed will be on Okanagan Lake in the vicinity of the Kelowna Yacht Club located at 1370 Water St., Kelowna, B.C.

COURSES

8.2 The course will be a combination of permanent KYC marks A, B, C, D, and E. All turning marks are to be left to port. The start line will be comprised of the Race Committee boat and Mark X. The finish line will be comprised of the Race Committee boat and Mark Y.

9.0 SCORING

9.1 The low point scoring system of Appendix A of the RRS will apply.

9.2 For all classes:

- a) Each fleet will be scored separately
- b) One or more completed races will constitute a series
- c) When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores
- d) When five (5) to seven (7) races have been completed, a boat's score for the series will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- e) When eight (8) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of their race scores excluding their two worst scores.

10.0 PRIZES

10.1 Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and third place in each fleet.

10.2 A combined fleet overall trophy will be awarded by calculating the lowest point score as follows: total of low point scoring system received by a boat for all races in its class, divided by the number of races in class, divided by boats in its class. Discards are in accordance with 10.2 c), d), e), above.

11.0 SAFETY

11.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

11.2 A boat may be requested to assist another vessel as directed by the Race Officer of the Day.

11.3 [DP] When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.

12.0 RISK STATEMENT

12.1 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 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 an 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.

12.2 The organizing authority, management, Board of Directors and volunteers, will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after this race series.

13.0 INSURANCE

- 13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. The organizing Authority does not accept responsibility for verifying that a competitor holds valid insurance.

14.0 ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

- 14.1 All regatta participants are requested to adhere to the Kelowna Yacht Club Environmental Policy including: eliminating the release of contaminants to the water column, both directly and indirectly, minimize the release of pollutants to the atmosphere, avoid contamination of the ground, adopt waste reduction, reuse and recycling strategies, optimize energy and water conservation, promote good environmental practices to all parties, abide by, and, where possible, exceed the requirements of all relevant legislation.

15.0 MOORAGE AND CLUB ACCESS

- 16.1 If temporary moorage is required at Kelowna Yacht Club, a [Reciprocal Moorage Request Form](#), located online at kelownayachtclub.com, must be completed. Access to the Kelowna Yacht Club and marina is by keycard only. Temporary key cards can be obtained at the Kelowna Yacht Club Reception desk from 9:00 am -7:00 pm PDT on Friday, August 14, 2026, or starting at 9:00 am PDT on Saturday, August 15, 2026. A non-refundable fee of \$20.00 per key card is required.

16.0 CONTACT

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ADDENDUM A, COURSE AREA

