



BUTLER CUP
WORLD SAILING GRADE 4
Long Beach Yacht Club
Long Beach, CA
November 3-4, 2018

NOTICE OF RACE

The Butler Cup (BC) will be hosted by Long Beach Yacht Club (LBYC). LBYC is located at 6201 Appian Way, Long Beach CA 90803. Phone number is (562) 598-9401. Club and Event information are available at www.lbyc.org.

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority (OA) will be the Long Beach Yacht Club (LBYC)

2. VENUE

The venue will be Long Beach, California USA

3. EVENT GRADING

The event has applied for WORLD SAILING (WS) GRADE 4. The grading is subject to review by the WS Match Racing Rankings Sub-Committee and can be re-graded if there is clear reason to do so.

4. SCHEDULE (PROVISIONAL)

4.1 Schedule

- (a) Race office opens Friday, November 2 at 1000 hrs.
- (b) Registration is from 1100-1200 on Friday November 2 and 0900 to 0945 Saturday November 3
- (c) Boats will be assigned at registration. The same boat will be used for practice and race days.
- (d) Sailing practice is available from 1200 to 1600 hours on Friday November 2 upon completion of registration
- (e) First skipper's briefing shall be Saturday November 3 at 1000 hrs.
- (f) First meeting with the umpires will be immediately following the first skipper's briefing
- (g) Daily briefing shall be at 1000 hrs.
- (h) Racing days are November 3 and 4
- (i) Time of first race each day will be announced at the daily briefing
- (j) There will be an umpire debrief approximately 15 minutes after the RC boat arrives at the dock after racing
- (k) No attention signal shall be made after 1700 hrs on Sunday November 4
- (l) The Prize Giving will be held approx. 30 minutes after the last boat returns to the dock on Sunday, November 5th.

4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:

- (a) Initial briefing for skippers
- (b) Daily briefing for skippers
- (c) Prize giving for final skippers and crews

5. SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

- 5.1 BC is open to skippers who are a member of a yacht club or sailing association recognized by US Sailing. After 8 paid entries are received, a waiting list will be established.
- 5.2 All competitors must meet the eligibility requirements of WS Eligibility Code 19.2
- 5.3 All competitors shall provide the OA with a WS Sailor ID code for the skipper.
- 5.4 Registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing unless excused by the OA.
- 5.5 Entries shall be submitted to www.regattanetwork.com
- 5.6 Confirmed Skippers who withdraw their entry less than sixty (60) days prior to the event may have WS Ranking points deducted per WS guidelines.

6. ENTRIES

- 6.1 The Skipper shall be entered upon completion of registration and the payment of the damage deposit. All payments shall be in US Dollars or by Credit Card. Final competitor list will be noted in SI APPENDIX A.
- 6.2 The entry fee is \$600.
- 6.3 When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within two months of the event or leaves the event before end without written approval from the OA, a zero score may be applied to their ranking points for that event by WS. (WS Regulation 27.2)
- 6.4 Damage Deposit - \$2500 US
- (a) An initial deposit of \$2500 US shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. The deposit represents the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
 - (b) In the event of a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event
 - (c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded 30 days after the event, minus the costs of any yacht damage or other costs incurred and left unpaid, for which the OA deems the skipper to be responsible for.

7. RULES

- 7.1
- (a) The event will be governed by the "rules" as defined in the WS Racing Rules of Sailing including Appendix C, except as amended by this Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI).
 - (b) The Rules for Handling of Boats (APPENDIX C of SI), and will also apply to any practice sailing and clinic. Class rules will not apply.
 - (c) US Sailing Prescriptions to Rules 60, 63.2 and 63.4 shall not apply.
 - (d) In the event of a conflict between the NOR and the SI, the SI shall prevail. **This changes RRS 63.7.**
- 7.2 Major Alterations to the RRS
- (a) Add to RRS 41: (e) help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member, provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.
 - (b) RRS C6.3, C7.4, C8.6, 28.1, 60.1(b), 62.1(a), 63.1, 90.3(a) and A5 may be changed in the SI.

- 7.3 The OA reserves the right to amend this NOR. Any amendments to the NOR shall be posted at <http://www.lbyc.org>.

8. BOATS AND SAILS

- 8.1 The event will be sailed in Catalina 37 type boats, provided by the OA.
- 8.2 8 boats will be provided.
- 8.3 Boats shall be assigned at registration. Boats may also be assigned during any stage by the OA or RC.
- 8.4 Boats shall be supplied with a mainsail, genoa, jib and spinnaker. Sails shall remain with the boats.
- 8.5 The OA or RC may require rotation of sails for any reason. Rotation of sails by the OA or RC shall NOT be grounds for redress by a competitor. **This changes RRS 62.1(a).**

9. CREW

- 9.1 The crew shall be a maximum of eight (8). All registered crew shall sail all races.
- 9.2 Spare
- 9.3 There is no weigh-in.
- 9.4 If a registered Skipper is unable to continue the event, the OA may assign another crewmember to substitute.
- 9.5 If a crewmember is unable to continue the event, the OA may authorize a temporary or permanent replacement.
- 9.6 The OA may require a skipper to carry a sponsor or representative on board during practice or racing.

10. EVENT FORMAT

- 10.1 The event will consist of the following stages:
Stage 1 – Double Round Robin
- 10.2 The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round when conditions do not allow completion of the intended format.

11. COURSE

- 11.1 The course will be windward-leeward with starboard roundings finishing downwind.

11.2 The intended course area is the Congressional Cup Stadium Course, located off the Belmont Pier in Long Beach Harbor.

12. ADVERTISING

- 12.1 All boats and equipment will be supplied by the OA. WS Regulation 20.4 applies. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.
- 12.2 Competitors will not be required to wear clothing or a logo of an event sponsor while racing or at an official function.
- 12.3 Competitors may be permitted to display advertising ashore at the venue, but this is subject to individual negotiation with the Organizing Authority
- 12.4 Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for infringements of any rules regarding advertising. **This changes RRS 60.1.**

13. PRIZES

- 13.1 The principal prize will be the Butler Cup. The winner or next highest placing skipper not already invited to the 2018 California Dreamin' Series (CDS) shall receive an invitation to the 2019 CDS. The highest placing skipper who is a member is good standing of LBYC will receive an invitation to the 2019 WS Grade 2 Ficker Cup.
- 13.2 The OA may reduce or eliminate a prize in the case of misconduct, refusal to comply with any reasonable request, including attendance at the official functions.
- 13.3 Trophies will be awarded to the top three crews

14. MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

The OA may require television personnel (or dummies) and/or sponsor representatives and equipment to be carried on board while racing or practice and may require competitors to be available for interviews. The OA shall have the right to use any and all images and sound recorded during the event free of charge.

15. COACH BOATS

- 15.1 Coach boats shall conspicuously display identification of the team being coached.
- 15.2 The OA will provide limited berthing for coach boats during the event, subject to availability.
- 15.3 Any interference by a coach boat with the racing or event organization may result in a penalty applied at the discretion of the IJ or PC to the associated skipper or team.

16. OTHER REQUIREMENTS

None

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. By Participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the OA and any related parties from any and all Liability associated with participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

18. MEALS

Breakfast, lunches and water/sports drinks will be provided to competitors both days.

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

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