

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
John Larson Memorial Race
Saturday, August 24, 2019
Channel Islands Yacht Club
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- 1. RULES:** This race will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*, these Sailing Instructions (SIs), SoCal PHRF rating rules, and applicable class association rules. The PHRF Marine Industry Racer (MIR) Rule is not in effect. This modifies PHRF Class Rule 8.

This will be a pursuit race, ie, the time allowances for differences in handicaps are calculated into the individual boat start times, which will be assigned at the Skippers Meeting. The boat with the highest handicap rating (theoretically, the slowest boat) in each class will start first, and subsequent boats will start at or after their respective start times, with the lowest-rated boat starting last. Thereby, the order in which the boats finish determines their ranking within each class.

Area A Random Leg Course (RLC) ratings will be used. The Race Committee (RC) may assign a temporary rating for this race for boats without a current PHRF rating. Any changes to these SIs will be posted at CIYC by 0930 on the day of the race.

- 2. SCHEDULE:** Race entry will be completed online, and entry in advance is preferred: <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/19617>. An iPad will be available for last-minute race entry after the Skippers Meeting. The entry fee is \$35; USSA members receive a \$5 discount, payable online with race entry or in person at the Skippers Meeting, Saturday, August 24, 2019:

0900 Onsite registration & mandatory Skippers Meeting at CIYC. Skippers will synchronize to GPS time

1130 Start for first boat (in each class if multiple classes)

- 3. CLASSES:** PHRF Spinnaker and Non Spinnaker (LOA \geq 20ft) are welcome to participate. Class breaks will be announced at the Skippers Meeting.
- 4. THE START:** The starboard end of the start line is Channel Islands Entrance Marker #1 and the port end is Marker #2. Boats should avoid the starting area until the final minute before their assigned start times.

Standard starting signals will not be employed. This changes Rule 26. Each boat will be on her honor to start correctly. At or after 11:30:00, the bow of the first boat in each class may cross the start line.

Immediately after crossing the start line *at or after* her assigned start time, each boat must declare via VHF (Channel 68) that *she has started correctly, ie, no part of the boat crossed the start line prior to her appointed start time*. Each subsequent

boat will follow the same procedure, declaring via radio that she has started correctly. If any boat crosses the start line prior to her appointed start time (“OCS”), the boat’s bow must dip behind the line to the noncourse side before it recrosses the line at or after its appointed start time.

- 5. THE FINISH:** The port end of the finish line is Channel Islands Entrance Marker #1 and the starboard end is Marker #2. As soon as possible after each boat crosses the finish line, the *boat will declare her GPS finish time via VHF (Channel 68).*

Spinnakers may be carried through the finish line (between Markers #1 and #2), but they must be doused (sock or head below the level of the boom gooseneck) before crossing between Markers #2 and #3.

- 6. THE COURSES:** During the Skippers Meeting the RC will select one of the following courses:

- Course 1 (8.30nm): Start, Platform Gina (S), Wes Mark (S), Finish (between Channel Markers #1 and #2)
- Course 2 (12.49nm): Start, Platform Gina (S), Mandalay Buoy (P), Wes Mark (P), Finish (between Channel Markers #1 and #2)
- Course marks and their coordinates:

CI Marker #1 (Green)	N 34° 09.3’	W 119° 13.8’
CI Marker #2 (Red)	N 34° 09.4’	W 119° 13.7’
Platform Gina	N 34° 07.1’	W 119° 16.6’
Mandalay Spar Buoy	N 34° 11.8’	W 119° 15.9’
Wes Mark Spar Buoy	N 34° 09.9’	W 119° 16.5’

Platform Gina is an oil platform; all associated mooring buoys are defined as part of the mark and must also be passed to starboard.

- 7. PROTESTS:** At the earliest opportunity after the offense, “protests” should be made known to the offending boat, and the offender should make restitution on the course as soon as it is safe to do so. Starting too early (“OCS”) requires the bow to dip behind the start line; breaking a general rule, such as touching a mark, requires a “360” (a tack and a gybe); fouling another boat requires a “720” (2 tacks and 2 gybes). An unresolved offense may result in disqualification. Protest forms are available online at US Sailing or through CIYC.
- 8. SAFETY EQUIPMENT:** Each skipper is responsible for compliance with applicable US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements for Nearshore. All boats shall carry a VHF radio with Channels 16 and 68, which the RC will monitor throughout the race.
- 10. PRIZES:** Individual prizes will be awarded at Channel Islands Yacht Club after racing. The John Larson Memorial Perpetual Trophy (the wooden box that holds John’s compass) will be engraved with the winning boat and skipper name and will be displayed at Channel Islands Yacht Club.