## LONG BEACH TO DANA POINT 34th ANNUAL LABOR DAY RACE Saturday, September 2, 2017

Shoreline Yacht Club, Dana Point Yacht Club and Dana West Yacht Club (the Organizing Authorities) invite you to participate in the annual Long Beach to Dana Point Race.

# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

## 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing,* by the Notice of Race, by any class rules that may apply and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Yachts with canting keels, water ballast, or powered winches may use them provided that these mechanisms are specifically listed on the PHRF rating certificates used for this race, and any appropriate rating penalties have been applied. (This modifies RRS Rules 51 and 52, and the NOR.)
- 1.3 Racing yachts shall not interfere with deep draft vessels or their tows within Long Beach/Los Angeles harbors or their approaches. Violations can result in protests and disqualification.

## 2. NOTICES AND CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Changes will be posted in the following locations by 0900 hours on Saturday, September 2, 2017:
  - A. In the Race Display Case adjacent to the south door at SYC
  - B. In the window adjacent to the front door of DWYC
  - C. On the Notice Board located in the glass-enclosed case directly across from the front entrance to DPYC
  - D. On line at <u>http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/13131</u> or on the organizing Yacht Club's racing web pages.
- 2.2 Oral changes may be made on the water (RRS 90.2 (c)). Code flag LIMA (L) will be displayed and signaled by air horn. Participants will sail by the Race Committee Boat to receive oral instructions when code flag LIMA (L) is displayed with several short blasts of an air horn. Participant's failure to do so will not be subject to redress.

## **3. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS**

- 3.1 Compliance with PHRF Class Rules Appendix B and current US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements for Coastal racing <u>http://www.ussailing.org/safety/equipment-and-requirements/</u> is required.
- 3.2 Yachts racing in the Double-Handed Fleet have additional safety requirements as described in the Double-Handed Fleet supplement to these sailing instructions.
- 3.3 It is the sole responsibility of each entrant to insure that his yacht is fit for sea, properly equipped for any emergency, and properly manned by an experienced crew.

## 4. ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 The race is open to sailing yachts having a minimum overall length of 20 feet.
- 4.2 Entrants must be members of a yacht club or sailing association recognized by USSA or SCYA.
- 4.3 All yachts except for those in non-Spinnaker classes must show sail numbers as stated in RRS Appendix G. Yachts racing in non-Spinnaker classes must display a number on the mainsail.
- 4.4 All PHRF yachts are to have a current, valid PHRF certificate.

Long Beach to Dana Point 2017 Sailing Instructions Page 1 of 6

#### 5. CLASSES, SAIL NUMBERS AND CLASS INDICATORS

- 5.1 Entrants will be divided into 3 fleets: PHRF, Non-Spinnaker, and ORCA. Each fleet may be divided into classes, inclusive of a Double-Handed class and an All-Woman Crew class within the PHRF fleet, depending upon the number of entries and the ranges of the ratings.
- 5.2 Class breaks will be posted at SYC, DPYC and DWYC as noted in 2.1 above and also on the internet at <u>http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/15320</u>, <u>http://racing.shorelineyachtclub.com</u>, <u>www.dpyc.org</u> and at <u>https://www.dwyc.org/</u> by 2100 hours on Friday, September 1, 2017.
- 5.3 Non-Spinnaker boats shall be restricted in the use of headsails. Gennakers, or any sail forward of the mast but not affixed to the ship's headstay, will not be allowed. Double headsails, where both of their luffs are attached to the ship's headstay, are allowed.
- 5.4 RRS 55 is altered to permit yachts to fly only the check-in code flag prior to starting and their class numeral pennant and/or code flag as follows:

Class	Pennant or Flag
Non-Spin	1
PHRF E	2
PHRF D	3
PHRF C	4
PHRF B	5
PHRF A	6
ORCA	7

These class indicators will be International Code numeral pennants or letter flags flown from the yacht's permanent backstay.

- 5.5 Changes to this list of classes and any additional class pennants will be posted according to SI #2.1.
- 5.6 Double-Handed entries will start with the class assigned to them. Double-Handed entries will be scored twice: once as a PHRF-rated boat and also as a Double-Handed boat. The recommended class flag for Double-Handed class is Delta (D) regardless of the PHRF-rated class they are assigned to.
- 5.7 All-Woman Crewed entries will sail with the class assigned to them. All-Woman Crew class entries will be scored twice: once as a PHRF class boat and also as an All-Woman Crewed boat. The recommended class flag for All-Woman Crewed boats is Echo (E) regardless of the PHRF-rated class they are assigned to.

## 6. CHECK-IN AND STARTING

- 6.1 Each yacht shall pass the stern of the **Race Committee Signal Boat** on Starboard tack , and hail her sail number. A yacht should repeat their Check-In hail until they receive a confirmation hail. No alternate Check-In methods, including radio or telephone or carrier pigeon are acceptable. Failure to hail check-in at the RC Signal Boat and receiving an acknowledgement hail shall result in a penalty of 30 minutes added to a yacht's finish time.
- 6.2 The starting line will be between two orange flags on a staff attached to an anchored buoy or a RC boat. The Race Committee Signal Boat will be nearest the starboard end of the line. Another RC Boat may be nearest the port end. Yachts whose Preparatory Signal has not been made shall remain clear of the immediate starting area.

Long Beach to Dana Point 2017 Sailing Instructions Page 2 of 6

- 6.3 The races will be started according to RRS 26 using a 5-minute rolling sequence. This means that one Class' Starting signal is the Warning signal for the next Class, unless a Postponement is signaled and racing resumes as per the RSS.
- 6.4 The Scheduled Time of the First Warning Signal is 1055 hours.

## 7. PREMATURE STARTERS

7.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1. The Race Committee will attempt to hail boats that are OCS on VHF Channel 69. However, failure to hail a boat, or the order in which they are hailed, shall not be grounds for redress.

#### 8. GENERAL RECALL

8.1 In the event of a general recall for any class, the recalled classes Warning Signal will be no sooner than 5 minutes after the last scheduled start. Recalled classes shall stay clear of the starting area. In the event that more than one class is general-recalled, each will restart in its originally scheduled order. This alters RRS 29.2

## 9. COURSES

## 9.1 For the PHRF & ORCA Fleets and Double-Handed & All-Woman Crewed Classes.

- A. The Race Committee Signal Boat will be between oil islands Grissom and White in Long Beach Harbor.
- B. Start as directed in paragraph 6.
- C. *Leave to starboard* an orange inflatable cylinder or tetrahedron shaped Rounding Mark, approximately 1/4 mile to windward of the start line.
- D. Sail out the Los Angeles Gate (FLG 15 at the starboard end).
- E. Leave to port oil platforms Ellen and Elly as one Rounding Mark.
- F. Leave to port the Dana Point red whistle buoy R2SJR (FLR 2.5 sec) as a Rounding Mark.
- G. Finish as directed in paragraph 10.
- H. The handicap distance for these Classes is 39.

## 9.2 For the Non-Spinnaker Class

- A. The Race Committee Signal Boat will be between oil islands Grissom and White in Long Beach Harbor.
- B. Start as directed in paragraph 6.
- C. Leave to starboard an orange inflatable cylinder or tetrahedron shaped Rounding Mark, approximately 1/4 mile to windward of the start line.
- D. Sail out Queens Gate (FL 5 sec at the starboard end).
- E. Leave to port the Dana Point red whistle buoy R2SJR (FLR 2.5 sec) as a Rounding Mark.
- F. Finish as directed in paragraph 10.
- G. The handicap distance for this Class is 32 NM for the Non-Spinnaker Class.

## 10. THE FINISH

- 10.1 The finish line will be between the green lighted buoy G-1 (FLG 2 sec. N 33°27'10"; W 117°41'90") adjacent to the middle of the West jetty at Dana Point and the anchored Race Committee Boat bearing approximately 180° magnetic from the buoy. DO NOT CONFUSE this buoy with the entrance light to Dana Point harbor.
- 10.2 The committee boat will be on station for finishes until 2000 hours Saturday, September 2, 2017. Yachts finishing after 2000 hours shall take their own time when the green lighted buoy G-1 (FLG 2 sec) is abeam of her. The competitor must report their time to the Race Committee (or their voice mail) by calling 949-910-9940 before 0800 hours, Sunday, September 3, 2017. All boats not reporting by 0800 hours Sunday will be scored DNF.

Long Beach to Dana Point 2017 Sailing Instructions Page 3 of 6

#### **11. YACHTS NOT FINISHING**

11.1 A yacht that retires from the race must notify the Race Committee by hail to the Race Committee Signal Boat, or by radio on VHF 69, or by calling Brian Werner 949-910-9940.

#### 12. RADIO COMMUNICATION

12.1 All participants shall monitor VHF channel 69 during the start sequence. The race committee may transmit radio information to participants on these channel.

#### 13. SCORING

- 13.1 The RSS default low point system will be used.
- 13.2 PHRF Base RLC ratings will be used for PHRF fleet, including the Double-Handed & All-Woman Crewed classes.
- 13.2 Time-on Time will be used for ORCA classes.
- 13.4 PHRF OWC ratings will be used for Non-Spinnaker yachts with their non-Spinnaker offsets added to their ratings.
- 13.5 Non-Spinnaker yachts without a current, valid PHRF rating will be assigned a rating by the Race Committee based upon a headsail of not more than 155% LP and a whisker pole of not more than 1.4 times J. Entrants may not use larger headsails or poles.
- 13.6 A yacht observed on the course side of the starting line at her start signal, that fails to return and restart shall have 60 minutes added to her finish time, This alters RRS 29.1.
- 13.7 A yacht not observed at her start signal shall be scored DNS.

#### 14. PROTESTS

- 14.1 All protests and requests for redress must be written on US Sailing Protest Forms or forms available at DPYC.
- 14.2 Yachts intending to protest shall notify the Race Committee finish boat of their intent to protest and obtain their acknowledgement after finishing and before leaving the finish area. If the Race Committee Finish Boat is not on station, the competitor is required to notify their intent to Protest to the Race Committee (or their voice mail) by calling 949-910-9940 before 2300 hours Saturday September 2, 2017.
- 14.3 A written Protest Form must be filed at DPYC by 2100 hours Saturday September 2nd, 2017 or within one hour after finishing if finishing after 2000 hours Saturday September 2nd, 2017.
- 14.4 Parties to a protest will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located in the upstairs area at DPYC. Protests will be heard beginning at DPYC at 0900 hours Sunday, September 3, 2017 unless otherwise posted. Parties to a protest shall be present at that time.
- 14.5 The RRS Arbitration guidelines will be used for protest involving breaking a Rule of RRS Part 2 Protests not resolved in arbitration, involving damage or involving rules other than found in RRS Part 2 will go to a full hearing of the Protest Committee.
- 14.6 After a written protest is delivered to the Race Committee or Jury Representative, the boat registrant of each yacht will meet with the arbitrator unless the protestor requests that the protest be withdrawn and the Protest Committee accepts the withdrawal. No witnesses will be allowed during arbitration. Protests not resolved by arbitration will be forwarded to the Protest Jury. This changes RRS Part 5, Section B.
- 14.7 Acceptance of a rule violation penalty decided by arbitration will result in 30 minutes added to the violating yacht's finish time. A yacht may not be penalized further involving the same rule violation. The acceptance of an arbitrator's decision cannot be grounds for redress or be appealed. This changes RRS Part 5, Section B.

Long Beach to Dana Point 2017 Sailing Instructions Page 4 of 6

#### **15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the Race entirely at their own risk. See *RRS 4*, *Decision to Race*. Neither the Organizing Authorities nor the host Clubs or the Race Officials will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the Race.

#### **16. INSURANCE**

Each yacht shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance policy having a minimum coverage of \$300,000 to enter this Race.

#### 17. TROPHIES

- 15.1 The awarding of trophies is scheduled for 1000 hours on Sunday, September 3 at DWYC.
- 15.2 There will be up to 3 take-home trophies for each PHRF, Non-Spin and ORCA Class based on the number of entries in that class.
- 15.3 There are first place take-home trophies for the All-Women Class yacht and one for each sailor in the first place Double Handed Class yacht.

Long Beach to Dana Point 2017 Sailing Instructions Page 5 of 6

#### LONG BEACH TO DANA POINT 33rd ANNUAL LABOR DAY RACE Saturday, September 2, 2017

#### SUPPLEMENTAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR DOUBLE-HANDED CLASS

- 1. Yachts entered in the Double-Handed Class shall be bound by the preceding Sailing Instructions except as noted in items 2, through 6 below.
- 2. Autopilots, wind vanes, sheet to tiller systems, and or modified rudders will be allowed.
- 3. Only two people will be allowed on board. This modifies the PHRF requirement for minimum crew of 3.
- 4. Double-Handed entries will be assigned to the PHRF class that they would be in if fully crewed.
- 5. Double-Handed entries will be scored twice, as both a PHRF-rated class boat and a Double-Handed class boat.
- 6. The class flag for Double-handed entries is Delta (D) irrespective of the PHRF-rated class she is assigned to start with.

Long Beach to Dana Point 2017 Sailing Instructions Page 6 of 6