

POINT FERMIN RACE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

August 25, 2018

RULES

1. As defined in the Notice of Race. PHRF AREA C RLC RATINGS will be used.
2. An imaginary line connecting all channel buoys from the Alamitos Bay jetty entrance to the finish line shall be considered a continuous obstruction (shown below) in accordance with Racing Rule 19.2. **NO YACHT SHALL CROSS SAID LINE.**
3. **The head of all spinnakers or second headsails must be on or below deck level before the yacht's bow crosses an imaginary line between the entrance lights to Alamitos Bay Jetty.**

ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRIES:

As prescribed in the Notice of Race.

NOTICE TO COMPETITORS:

All notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board located outside Seal Beach Yacht Club.

CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

Any change will be posted by 1800, Friday, August 24, 2018 on the Official Notice Board located outside Seal Beach Yacht Club.

STARTING ORDER:

Class breaks and starting order will be posted by 1800, Friday, August 24, 2018 on the Official Notice Board located outside Seal Beach Yacht Club. First warning will be at 1525 hours on August 25th.

CLASS IDENTIFICATION FLAGS:

Each yacht shall fly an International Numerical Pennant from its backstay as listed by 1800, August 24, 2018 on the Official Notice Board.

COURSE:

Start, Los Angeles entrance (Mark 50) to port; Point Fermin Buoy (Mark 55) to port; East End of the Long Beach breakwater (Mark 10) to port; "A" Buoy at entrance to Alamitos Bay to port (if the "A" Buoy is missing, the last mark of the course and the beginning of the continuous obstruction will be the first center of channel buoy); Finish at an imaginary line in the Alamitos Bay between a blue "On Station" flag at or near the Navy Yacht Club facility and the 5 MPH buoy in front of the ABM fuel dock. Total course length 18.4 n.m.

ALTERNATE SHORTER COURSE:

If course is shortened, code flag B will be displayed, that course is: Take Los Angeles entrance (Mark 50) to port, East End Long Beach breakwater (Mark 10) to port, "A" Buoy at entrance to Alamitos Bay to port (if the "A" Buoy is missing, the last mark of the course and the beginning of the continuous obstruction will be the first center of channel buoy); finish same as long course. Course length will be 13.8 n.m.

START:

The race shall be started in accordance with Racing Rule 26. The starting line will be between mark 38 and the Race Committee boat, located approximately one-half mile west-northwest of the Alamitos Bay jetty. All yachts must check in with the Race Committee boat prior to the first class warning signal. Yachts not starting must keep clear of the starting area. Any violation may be subject to protest.

RECALLS:

1. Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with Racing Rule 29.1.
2. General recalls will be signaled in accordance with Racing Rule 29.2.
3. Recalled class(es) shall start after all regularly scheduled classes. This changes Racing Rule 29.2.

RETIREMENT:

A yacht that checks in and later retires shall make every effort to notify the Race Committee before leaving the course area. If that is not possible then, at the first reasonable opportunity, notify the Race Committee at the finish line or at the Seal Beach Yacht Club in person or by telephone (562) 822-4504. The Race Committee will monitor VHF channel 71.

THE FINISH:

1. The finish line shall be as described in the Notice of Race.
2. If finishing in the dark, **yachts racing shall make every effort to illuminate their sail numbers as they finish.** Yachts using sails with numbers other than their official numbers may be subject to protest.

TIME LIMIT:

The race will be called at 2000 for any class if no boat in that class has finished and boats in that class will be score DNF. A boat finishing prior to 2000 hours shall establish the race for its class and boats in that class will be allowed to finish, and will be scored, if they finish prior to 2030. No boats will be finished after 2030. This changes RRS 35.

ALTERNATE PENALTY:

Racing Rule 44 is changed so that the 720 degree turn is replaced by a 360 degree turn.

CONFLICTING INSTRUCTIONS:

If a conflict in wording exists between the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes Racing Rule 63.7.

PROTESTS:

A protest flag shall be displayed from the backstay to signal a protest. A protesting yacht shall notify the protested yacht in accordance with rule 61.1, and then notify the Race Committee at the finish line. Protests shall be written on forms available at Seal Beach Yacht Club and shall clearly state the rule applying to the protest. The **WRITTEN PROTESTS SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PRO, RACE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN OR PROTEST CHAIRMAN NO LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER FINISHING.** An announcement will be posted of the hearing date and time.

SCORING:

The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A of the racing rules, will apply.

TROPHIES:

Trophies will be awarded at Seal Beach Yacht Club on Thursday, August 30, 2018 after that night's Pop Tops race. Trophies will be awarded based on the number of yachts that rank as starters for each class as of 1800 August 23, 2018. 1-4 boats (1 trophy); 5-8 boats (2); 9-11 boats (3); 12- 14 (4); 15 or more (5). **Trophies not claimed after the trophy presentation will be held at the Seal Beach Yacht Club for 60 days, after which time they shall be forfeited and revert back to club ownership.**

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