

2020 Whale Regatta

Sailing Instructions Saturday March 14 2020

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

1.1. American Legion Yacht Club (ALYC) is the Organizing Authority for the Refraction Regatta.

2. RULES

2.1. The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing, (RRS), the rules of the Performance Handicap Racing Fleet of Southern California (PHRF), and the Notice of Race, except as altered by these Sailing Instructions.

2.2. The Race is classified as a Category "A" Event in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.

2.3. Boats are subject to inspection by the appropriate fleet coordinator to ensure conformity to the applicable class rules, bylaws and/or measurement certificates.

2.4. Racing yachts shall not interfere with deep draft vessels or their tow within Long Beach/Los Angeles harbor or their approaches or commercial traffic lanes. It is recommended that all competitors monitor Channel 14 when in commercial traffic lanes.

2.5. RRS 55 is changed by adding the following sentence to the rule: "However, discarding elastic or wool bands when setting a sail is permitted."

2.6. US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER) apply: Category US Nearshore. USSER can be found at: https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/US_SER_2019.0_Categories.pdf

2.7. In addition to USSER, all boats shall carry a functioning GPS.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Bulletin Board located at the ALYC clubhouse ("Hut") at 215 15th St., Newport Beach, CA, 92663 or on the website at www.alyc.com.

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1. Any written change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at the ALYC hut bulletin board or on the website at www.alyc.com before 0800 on Saturday March 14th, 2020.

4.2. Oral changes may be made on the water (RRS 90.2). Code flag LIMA will be displayed and signaled by air horn. Participants will sail by the Race Committee Boat to receive oral instructions when code LIMA is displayed with several short blasts of an air horn. Participant's failure to do so will not be subject to redress.

4.3. Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before the first race.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1. On March 14, 2020 signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at ALYC.

5.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, racing is postponed. First Warning will be no less than 2 Hour after AP is removed.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1. There is one race scheduled on March 14, 2020.

6.2. The scheduled time of the first warning signal is 1125 hours.

17. Class Break and Starting Assignment

17.1. Class Flags will be White with Black Letter.

17.2. Class Name and Handicap rating range: A (PHRF All), B (Non-Spinnaker All)

7. RACING ROUTE

7.1. Course will be a random leg

7.2. Course 1 – Start approximately 1¼ nm west of the Newport Pier and proceed to use the Oil Islands of ELLY/ELLEN (approximate coordinates N33°35.00' W118°07.750'), and EUREKA (approximate coordinates N33°33.820' W118°07.00'), as **WINDWARD GATES** and finish approximately 1¼ nm west of the Newport Pier.

7.3. Course 2 – Start approximately 1¼ nm west of the Newport Pier and proceed to use the Oil Islands of EMMY (approximate coordinates N33°39.750' W118°02.675'), and EVA (approximate coordinates N33°39.700' W118°03.720'), as **WINDWARD GATES** and finish approximately 1¼ nm west of the Newport Pier.

7.4 All marks are considered rounding marks.

7.5 The courses will be designated by number pennants.

8. Time Limits

8.1 The Time Limit for the race 1630 hours.

8.2 All boats finishing after the Time Limit will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes *RRS* 35.

9. Penalty System

9.1 A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of *RRS* Part 2. This changes Rules *RRS* 44.1.

10. Protest and Requests for Redress

10.1 Protest shall be on written forms, which are available at the Hut or from the Race Committee. Completed protests shall be delivered to the Race Committee at the end of the race day, Saturday March 14th 2020 within the Protest time Limit.

10.2 For each class the Protest Time Limit for each day is 60 minutes after the Race Committee boat has docked/moored. This changes Rules *RRS* 61.3

10.3 Protest hearings will be held on Saturday, March 13th 2020 in the Hut and start within one hour of the Protest Time Limit.

11. Scoring

11.1 Daily scoring will be according to *RRS A4.1* Low Point System for each day's race.

11.2 PHRF boats with Spinnakers will be scored using the PHRF Area D Random Leg Course (RLC) Rating.

11.3 Non-Spinnaker boats will be scored using the PHRF Area D Random Leg Course (RLC) Rating plus the PHRF Non-Spinnaker Offset and the ALYC Cruising Class adjustments (NOR Appendix A). The completed Cruising Class Adjustments need to be submitted to race@alyc.com prior to 0830 on Saturday March 14th, 2020.

12. Retirements

12.1 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee on VHF Channel 72 or 16 or by phone: 949-922-1926 as soon as possible after retiring.

13. Radio Communication

13.1 A competitor shall not make radio transmissions while racing except in an emergency or a safety-related situation. Boats racing shall only receive radio transmissions freely available to other racing boats. These restrictions also apply to mobile and satellite telephone and other forms of wireless data communication.

13.2 Race Committee will monitor VHF Channel 72 and Channel 16 for emergencies.

13.3 It is recommended that contestants monitor VHF Channel 14 when in the area of the commercial traffic lanes.

14. Prizes

14.1. Take Home Trophies will be given out at 1830, Saturday March 13th 2020.

14.2. Take home trophies will be awarded as follows: Up to 4 boats in a class = two trophy; 5 to 8 boats in a class = three trophies; Greater than 9 boats in a class = four trophies

15. Disclaimer of Liability

15.1. Competitors participate entirely at their own risk. See *RRS rule 4, Decision to Race*. The organizing authority will not 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

16.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per event or the equivalent.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

17.1 For further information please check the ALYC website at www.alyc.com or contact the Race Committee by telephone at 949-922-1926 or ALYC at 949-673-5002.