

**LONG BEACH TO DANA POINT**  
**37th ANNUAL LABOR DAY WEEKEND RACE**  
**Saturday, September 4, 2021**

The Organizing Authority for this Race is composed of Shoreline Yacht Club (SYCLB), Dana Point Yacht Club (DPYC) and Dana West Yacht Club (DWYC). The Race Committee will be made up of representatives of these yacht clubs and appointed by the Organizing Authority.

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

### **1. RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, with U.S. Sailing prescriptions, by the Notice of Race, by any class rules that may apply (such as PHRF of Southern California or ORCA) and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 This race is classified in accordance with the US Sailing SERs as a Coastal race. Competitors are required to comply with Coastal requirements found at this website:  
<https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/safety-information/ser-world-sailing-special-regulations/>
- 1.3 RRS 51 (Moveable Ballast), RRS 52 (Manual Power) and RRS 54 (Forestays and Headsail Tacks) may be used provided that these mechanisms are specifically listed on the PHRF rating certificates used for this race, and any appropriate rating penalties have been applied.
- 1.4 Participating boats shall not interfere with deep draft vessels or their tows within the Long Beach and Los Angeles harbors or approaches. Violations can result in protests and disqualification.
- 1.5 Double-Handed Entries may use autopilots, wind vanes, sheet to tiller systems, electric winches and or modified rudders only during sail changes.
- 1.6 RRS 55 is changed to allow for the overboard disposal of biodegradable materials such as cotton or wool yarn used to band spinnakers.

### **2. NOTICES AND CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1 Changes will be posted online at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/22844> by 0900 hours on race day.  
They may also be posted at the following locations:  
In the Race Display Case adjacent to the south door at SYC  
In the window adjacent to the front door of DWYC  
On the Notice Board located in the glass-enclosed case directly across from the front entrance to DPYC
- 2.2 Oral changes may be made on the water (RRS 90.2 (c)). Code flag LIMA (L) will be displayed until all classes have started and optionally 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. ADVERTISING**

- 3.1 World Sailing Regulation 20, Advertising Code is in effect.

#### **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 that is a member of 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 the number they registered with on the mainsail or on a placard affixed to their starboard bow.
- 4.4 All PHRF Class (and sub-Class) yachts shall have a current, valid PHRF certificate.

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

- 5.1 Entrants will be divided into 4 types of classes: PHRF, Non-Spinnaker, UNLIMITED (no PHRF, ORCA or One Design rating) and ORCA. These may be sub-divided including scoring classes: PHRF Double-Handed class and a PHRF All-Woman Crew class and smaller PHRF start classes, depending upon the number of entries and the ranges of their ratings.
- 5.2 Class breaks will be posted on the Internet at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/22844>, as noted in 2.1 above by 21:00 the day preceding the race.
- 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 Yachts are to fly their class numeral pennant and/or code flag as follows:

- 1. Non-Spin**
- 2. PHRF E**
- 3. PHRF D**
- 4. PHRF C**
- 5. PHRF B**
- 6. PHRF A**
- 7. ORCA**
- 8. UNLIMITED**

These class indicators will be International Code numeral pennants flown from the yacht's backstay or a running backstay or a starboard shroud if the yacht has no backstay.

- 5.5 Changes to this list of classes and any additional class pennants will be posted as noted in 2.1 above.
- 5.6 Double-Handed entries will start with the class assigned to them. Double-Handed entries will be scored twice - once as a PHRF class boat and also as a Double-Handed boat.
- 5.7 All-Woman Crewed entries will start 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 Crew Class boat.

## 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 until they receive a confirmation hail. All alternate check-in methods, radio, email, text message, telephone, etc. are NOT allowed. Failure to hail check-in at the RC Signal Boat and receive an acknowledgement hail shall result in a penalty of 30 minutes.
- 6.2 The starting line will be between two staffs each with a gold colored flag over a white colored flag attached to an anchored buoy and/or a RC boat. Yachts whose Preparatory Signal has not been made shall remain clear of the immediate starting area.
- 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.
- 6.5 UNLIMITED Class boats may elect to delay their start and report their Start time to the Race Committee via VHF (if able) or telephone after they have started and before they depart the breakwater. Failure to report Start Time as described will result in a score of DNS.

## 7. RECALLS

- 7.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1. As a courtesy only, the Race Committee may 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 or appeal. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 7.2 General recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.2.

## 8. COURSES

- 8.1 For the PHRF, UNLIMITED & ORCA Fleets including 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 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 NM.
- 8.2 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 inflatable cylinder or tetrahedron shaped Rounding Mark, approximately 1/4 mile to windward of the start line.
  - D. Sail out Long Beach Gate (AKA 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 the Non-Spinnaker Class is 32 NM.

## 9. THE FINISH

- 9.1 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 South of that buoy. DO NOT CONFUSE this buoy with the entrance light to Dana Point harbor.
- 9.2 The Race Committee Finish Boat will be on station until 1800 hours Saturday. Yachts finishing after 1800 hours shall take their own time when their boat is full abeam to the green lighted buoy G-1 (FLG 2 sec). The competitor must report their time by phone (or voice mail) by calling phone number to be disclosed in future amendment before 2300 hours, Saturday.
- 9.3 Yachts that do not finish by 2300 hours Saturday will be scored DNF without a hearing.

## 10. YACHTS WITHDRAWING OR RETIRING

- 10.1 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 phone – contact David Veeneman, (949) 607-7968.

## 11. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 11.1 All participants shall monitor VHF channel 69 during the start sequence. The race committee may transmit radio information to participants on this channel. Any such information is provided as a courtesy only, and the Race Committee is not obligated to provide any radio communication. Failure to provide any radio communication shall not be grounds for protest or redress.

## 12. SCORING

- 14.1 The RSS default low point scoring system will be used.
- 14.2 PHRF Base RLC ratings will be used for PHRF fleet, including the Double-Handed & All-Woman Crewed classes.
- 14.3 Time-on-Time will be used for ORCA classes.
- 14.4 Unlimited Class will use elapsed time, [without handicapping adjustment](#).
- 14.5 PHRF OWC ratings will be used for Non-Spinnaker yachts with their Non-Spinnaker offsets added to their ratings.
- 14.6 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.
- 14.7 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 elapsed time. This alters RRS A.4.2
- 14.8 A yacht that checked-in but was not observed at her start signal shall be scored DNS.

## **15. PROTESTS**

- 15.1 All protests and requests for redress must be written on US Sailing Protest Forms or forms available at DPYC.
- 15.2 Yachts intending to protest shall notify the Race Committee finish boat, if on station, 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 David Veeneman, (949) 607-7968 before 2300 Saturday.
- 15.3 Protests must be filed at DPYC within one hour after finishing or by 0900 hours Sunday, if finishing after 2300 Saturday. This is the protest time limit. This changes RRS 61.3.
- 15.4 Parties to a protest will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located in the upstairs area at DWYC. Protests will be heard beginning at DWYC at 0900 hours Sunday unless otherwise posted. Parties to a protest shall be present at that time.
- 15.5 The RRS Arbitration guidelines will be used for protests 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.
- 15.6 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.
- 15.7 Acceptance of a rule violation penalty through 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.

## **14. 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, prior to, during, or after the Race.

## **15. INSURANCE**

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

## **16. AWARDS**

- 16.1 Awards Ceremony and brunch at Dana West Yacht Club (DWYC) Sunday 1000 hrs
- 16.2 There will be 3 take-home awards for each PHRF, Non-Spin and ORCA Class that has more than 5 registered yachts.
- 16.3 There will be one take-home award for the All-Women Class and one award for the Double-Handed Class.