



San Diego – Ensenada 57th International Yacht Race

“The Little Ensenada”

San Diego, CA
Friday, October 1, 2021
Southwestern Yacht Club



Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, except US Sailing Prescription to Rule 63.2 will not apply.

2 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of racing will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 2.2 In accordance with RRS 90.2 (c), oral changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made on the water. Any change in the sailing instructions made afloat will be communicated via VHF Channel 68.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Official notices will be available online through the [EVENT NOTICE](#) BOARD on this event's page through the [SWYC](#) website.
- 3.2 On the water, the RC will monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 68. Please contact them to notify of a boat's intent to withdraw from racing.
- 3.3 **In the event of an on-the-water emergency, first contact the US Coast Guard on VHF Channel 16 directly and immediately, before contacting the RC vessel.**

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACING

- 5.1 The first warning is scheduled for 1050 October 1st, 2021.

6 CLASS FLAGS, START ORDER & CHECK IN

- 6.1 Class Assignments, Class Flags and Starting Order will be established and posted on the regatta website no later than 1200 Thursday, September 30, 2021, and shall be considered an amendment to the sailing instructions.
- 6.2 Numeral pennants designating class will be displayed from the yacht's backstay. Yachts without a backstay shall display their pennants in a prominent manner on the stern.
- 6.3 [DP] All yachts shall check in with the RC boat at least one minute prior to the warning signal for their class. Check-In will commence when the "L" flag is hoisted.
- 6.4 No check-in will occur after one minute before or during a starting sequence for any class. Yachts checking in shall pass the RC boat to starboard and hail with sail number and class. Check-in will be complete only when RC boat responds with that information. ***THERE WILL BE NO RADIO CHECK-IN.***

7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 The racing area will be the Pacific Ocean from the Coronado Roads to Ensenada, Mexico.

8 THE COURSE

- 8.1 The starting area will be in the Coronado Roads, in the vicinity of TG-1 federal mooring buoy.
- 8.2 The race will proceed from the starting line to Mark 1 (weather mark), approximately 1 nm upwind from the start, leaving Mark 1 to port, then to the finish line.
- 8.3 The finish is west of the Hotel Coral Marina approximately at position 31° 51.88N, 116° 41.33W.
- 8.4 The distance is approximately 57 nautical miles.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Mark 1 is a yellow tetrahedron located approximately 1nm upwind of the start line.

10 THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat and a yellow inflatable buoy near the RC boat.
- 10.2 A distance buoy may be streamed aft of the RC boat and if present shall be considered part of the RC boat.
- 10.3 [DP] Boats whose Class Warning Signals have not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and vessels attempting to start.
- 10.4 The RC may eliminate or combine starts without prior notice, depending on entries. Class pennants will indicate combined starts. The RC may announce any such changes on VHF Channel 68. Failure to announce will not be grounds for a request for redress.
- 10.5 All classes will be started in accordance with RRS 26. To signal a class start, one minute prior to the warning the RC will sound 4 long horn blasts as a courtesy. It is

the intention of the RC that classes start **5 to 10 minutes apart**, or more, dependent upon the prevailing conditions.

11 RECALLS

- 11.1 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the RC will hail her sail number as soon as possible over a loud hailer and/or on VHF 68. It is the responsibility of each boat to start properly.
- 11.2 Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a boat's redress for request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 11.3 Premature starters failing to return and start properly will be penalized by having thirty (30) minutes added to their corrected times, as defined in NoR 1.7.

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finish line, located at approximately (31° 51.88N 116° 41.33W), will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the RC boat and the course side of a yellow tetrahedron mark. The RC boat will try to display a yellow strobe light during nighttime hours but failure to do so shall not be grounds for redress.
- 12.2 Each boat, when an estimated 30 minutes from finishing, shall contact race committee on VHF Channel 68, providing approximate distance from finish line, and receive RC acknowledgement. The boat will continue to monitor VHF Channel 68 until she crosses the finish. Upon crossing the finish, the boat will hail RC on VHF Channel 68 and receive RC acknowledgement.
Take note of the boats finishing immediately before and after your boat.
- 12.3 When finishing at night or in hours of reduced visibility, a boat shall illuminate her sails and sail numbers as she approaches and crosses the finish line.
- 12.4 Should there be no RC on station for the finish, the US Sailing Prescription to RRS 34 will be in effect. Each boat shall take her own GPS time when that boat crosses the finish. Finish times shall be reported to the SWYC RC Scorer, Shelly Raming (shelly.raming@gmail.com), or reported to Race Headquarters at the Hotel Coral. Deadline for reporting finish time is 1300 on Saturday, October 2, 2021.
- 12.5 Cruising Classes: Engines shall be off at least 500 yards (0.25 nautical miles) before the finish line.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 RRS 44.1 is in effect with no modifications.

14 TIME LIMIT & WITHDRAWALS

- 14.1 Any boat failing to finish by 1300 on October 2, 2021 will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4, and A5.
- 14.2 Boats that start and then drop out (DNF) must do so by one of the following methods:

- 14.2(a) Boats may DNF at the finish line by not crossing the finish line and by identifying themselves by any means, including VHF Channel 68, to the RC boat and being acknowledged by the RC.
- 14.2(b) Any other DNF shall report either to the Race Headquarters at the Hotel Coral in person or to SWYC RC by calling (619) 955-3626 between 1000 and 1200 on Saturday, October 2, 2021. Boats that DNF will be considered by U.S. CBP to have landed in foreign waters, and therefore, must clear U.S. CBP upon return to U.S. soil.
- 14.3 Failure to notify SWYC RC may result in loss of racing privileges in future SWYC events and may cause a search party to be sent out to look for you.
- 15 CRUISING CLASSES ENGINE TIME LOG**
 - 15.1 Total engine propulsion time may not exceed four (4) hours for the entire race.
 - 15.2 Engine in-gear time is restricted to between 1800 hours and 0600 hours during the race.
 - 15.3 The Engine Time Log must be completed for each Cruising Class participant, even if the engine is not used. See Attachment A.
 - 15.4 File your Engine Time Log with Race Headquarters at the *Hotel Coral* as soon as practical after finishing, but no later than the filing deadline of 1300 hours on Saturday, October 2, 2021. A drop box will be provided at the front counter of the hotel or with the RC representative at the T-shirt sales table at Race Headquarters.
 - 15.5 Boats finishing between 1200 and 1300 hours may radio in the Engine Time Log to the Race Committee for provisional scoring. In this case, the Engine Time Log must be filed with Race Headquarters as soon as practical after finishing.
 - 15.6 [DP] The RC may score a yacht as DNF for incomplete and/or late submission of the Engine Time Log. This changes RRS A5.
- 16 HEARING REQUESTS**
 - 16.1 RRS 61 is modified to add: A boat intending to protest shall report her intentions and the boat(s) being protested to the RC via VHF Channel 68 upon finishing and shall obtain RC acknowledgement. A boat that does not finish and intends to protest shall report her intentions to the RC via VHF Channel 68 and shall obtain RC acknowledgement.
 - 16.2 Protests must be in writing and hand delivered to a RC representative at the Race Headquarters no later than 1300 hours on Saturday, October 2, 2021.
 - 16.3 Protests will be heard in the approximate order of receipt, commencing at 1200 hours, at the Hotel Coral, on Saturday, October 2, 2021.
- 17 SAFETY**
 - 17.1 Non-emergency vessel assistance in Mexican waters is practically non-existent until entering Todos Santos Bay. At that time, commercial assistance may be obtained by calling *Baja Naval* or *Juanitos* on **VHF Channel 16**.
 - 17.2 A boat that retires from a race, or chooses not to compete after checking in, must comply with SI 14.2. Failure to do this may result in rejection of entry from future races.

**THIS IS A SAFETY ISSUE. ESPECIALLY SINCE THIS IS AN OCEAN RACE,
PLEASE COMPLY!!!**

- 17.3 Notwithstanding any safety requirements, the ultimate safety of a boat and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner or charterer. He/she must do his/her best to ensure that the boat is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced crew who are physically fit to face bad weather. He/she must be satisfied as to the soundness of hull, spars, rigging, sails and all gear. He/she must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained and stowed, and that crewmembers know where it is stowed and how it is used.

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event participate entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, *Decision to Race*. The race organizers (SWYC, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. As a condition of their participation in this regatta, competitors release all claims they may have against SWYC and its officers, directors, members, committees and employees for damage to property, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta. Competitors shall be responsible for damage or injury caused by their breach of The Racing Rules of Sailing or applicable governmental rules for the avoidance of collision.

19 FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact Keith Robertson, SWYC RC Chair, keith@johnsonandjennings.com

Attachment A

2021 San Diego to Ensenada International Yacht Race

Cruising Class Engine Time Log

Yacht Name: _____

Sail Number: _____

1. LIMITATIONS

- 1.1. Total engine propulsion time may not exceed four (4) hours for the entire race.
- 1.2. Engine in-gear time is restricted to between 1800 hours and 0600 hours during the race.
- 1.3. The engine must be turned off at least 500 yards (0.25 nautical miles) before the finish line.
- 1.4. A yacht may not exceed its hull speed using engine propulsion.

2. RECORDING

- 2.1. **Record the total time in MINUTES** that your engine is running and in gear.
- 2.2. Record a minimum of 30 minutes for each time the engine is placed in gear.
- 2.3. Complete the form even if you did NOT use any engine propulsion time.

3. FILING

- 3.1. **File your Engine Time Log with Race Headquarters at the *Hotel Coral* as soon as practical after finishing, but no later than the filing deadline of 1400 hours on Saturday, October 2, 2021.** A drop box will be provided at the front of the hotel if the Race T-shirt Sales Table is not open.
- 3.2. Boats finishing between 1200 and 1400 hours may radio in the Engine Time Log to the Race Committee for provisional scoring.
- 3.3. All Cruising Class participants are required to file an Engine Time Log.
- 3.4. The Race Committee will enter Did Not Finish (DNF) for incomplete and/or late submission of the Engine Time Log.

Time (hour)	1800	1900	2000	2100	2200	2300	0000	0100	0200	0300	0400	0500	Total
Min.													

Race Total: _____

Printed Name of Skipper: _____

Signature: _____