



# ILCA-NA PACIFIC COAST CHAMPIONSHIP

September 17-18, 2022

Ventura, California USA

## NOTICE OF RACE

### GENERAL INFORMATION

The Organizing Authority (OA) is Ventura Yacht Club (VYC), located at 1755 Spinnaker Drive, Ventura, CA 93001

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Event Chair: Christina Baum | See NOR 17 for contact information

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in [The Racing Rules of Sailing](#) (RRS).
- 1.2 The "class rules" for the purposes of the definition of *rules* are the [International Laser Class Association \(ILCA\) Rules](#).
- 1.3 [DP] A condition of entry and participation in the event is the wearing of a U.S. Coast Guard approved lifejacket or, for international sailors only, a lifejacket approved by their country's corresponding authority, properly secured at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while removing or adding clothing. All lifejackets must be suitable for the competitor's weight. Wet suits, dry suits, and inflatable lifejackets do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy. These changes are added to RRS 40, and the Preamble to Part 4 will not apply to RRS 40.
- 1.4 US Sailing Prescription RRS 81 does not apply.
- 1.5 Appendix P, Special Procedures for RRS 42, will apply with the following changes: in P2.1 – *First Penalty*, the word "first" in the title and first sentence is deleted. P2.2 and P2.3 are deleted.

### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be posted by Sunday, September 11 on the Official Notice Board, on Regatta Network & on the Ventura Yacht Club website. Printed copies will be available at Check-in only upon request. Course Charts will be available at Check-in.

### 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The Official Notice Board is the bulletin board on the VYC patio.
- 3.2 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

### 4. CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1 Each race entrant and skipper is responsible for ensuring that all members of their crew, support personnel and their guests abide by the laws, public health orders, and guidance from government authorities and/or VYC applicable to sailing and/or shore side activities in effect during the event to minimize potential exposure to or transmission of the COVID-19 virus.
- 4.2 Failure to comply with NOR 4.1 may be misconduct.
- 4.3 Reasonable actions by event officials and VYC to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

### 5. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 5.1 The event is open to boats of the ILCA 7 (Standard), ILCA 6 (Radial) and ILCA 4 (4.7) classes that meet ILCA Rules.
- 5.2 Competitors must be current members of ILCA North America (NA). ILCA-NA membership numbers must be provided during online registration (NOR5.3).
- 5.3 Eligible competitors may enter their boat by completing online registration via Regatta Network and paying all fees by the entry deadline of September 11, 2022. Entries submitted after that time may be accepted only with the approval of the Event Chair and are subject to a \$20 late fee. For skippers under the age of eighteen (18), registration shall be completed by their parent or guardian.
- 5.4 If there are not six (6) paid ILCA 4 entries by September 11, the OA may automatically move registered boats to the ILCA 6 class; these ILCA 4 entries will compete with the ILCA 6 sail plan. ILCA 4 entries that do not wish to compete in the ILCA 6 class may petition for a full refund of entry fees.

5.5 Late Check-in may be allowed only with the approval of the Event Chair.

## **6. CHECK-IN**

6.1 Early Check-in Friday, September 16 between 1530-1830 will be upstairs at VYC and Saturday, September 17 is at the Registration Desk on the VYC patio in accordance with the schedule in NOR 8.

6.2 SPVs can be launched using the VYC hoist Friday, September 16 between 1530-1830 and Saturday, September 17 between 0730-0930

6.3 To complete Check-in, each entrant shall have met all eligibility and entry requirements, paid all fees, and completed the prescribed equipment inspection process (NOR 9) for the event.

## **7. FEES**

7.1 The entry fee for competitors in the ILCA-PCCs is \$120.00 USD per boat for entries received by September 6. Thereafter, until the entry deadline, the entry fee is \$150.00 USD.

7.2 The entry fee entitles each competitor to snacks and access to fresh water stations each race day, a complimentary dinner on Saturday, and refreshments after racing on Sunday.

## **8. SCHEDULE**

8.1 For the ILCA-NA Pacific Coast Championship, the race committee will attempt to run a total of nine (9) races (weather dependent), with no race starting after 1500 on Sunday.

8.2 The Race Committee (RC), at its discretion, may run more or fewer races each day.

Friday, September 16	1530 – 1830	Early Check-in and Support Person Vessel (SPV) Registration (upstairs) & SPV launching
Saturday, September 17	0730 - 0930	SPV launching at VYC Hoist
	0800 – 1000	Check-in and SPV Registration (downstairs patio)
		Sail Inspection & Hull Inspection (competitor berthing area)
	1000	Competitors' briefing (downstairs patio)
	1015	SPV briefing (downstairs patio)
	1200	<b>First Warning Signal – Subsequent races to start ASAP</b>
Sunday, September 18	1100	<b>First Warning Signal – Subsequent races to start ASAP</b>
	1500	No warning signal will be made after this time.
	After racing	Awards Presentation and munchies on VYC patio

## **9. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

9.1 All boats and equipment must meet ILCA Rules and may be inspected by the RC, Protest Committee, or Technical Committee for compliance with the Rules at any time during the event.

9.2 Sail Inspection will take place in the competitor berthing area prior to launching Saturday.

(a) [DP] Compliance with RRS 77 will be enforced, which requires that every boat shall carry on her mainsail, the insignia denoting her class, national letters denoting her national authority, and a sail number. Older sails may still use the Laser starburst insignia.

(b) Numbers and letters drawn on the sail are unacceptable substitutes for class required numbers.

9.3 Hull Inspection will take place in the competitor berthing area. All hulls must display a certifying class decal in the aft end of the cockpit (see ILCA Rules, part 2, Section 4). The RC issues blanket permission per ILCA Rules, Part 2. 4.5: competitors may use a sail with numbers that are different to the sail number allocated to the hull.

## **10. VENUE**

The racing area will be set approximately one (1) nautical mile west of the Ventura Harbor Whistle Buoy (R2).

## **11. THE COURSES**

The courses to be sailed will be a trapezoid configuration.

## 12. SCORING

12.1 The following scoring will be used:

- (a) Three (3) races must be completed to constitute a series.
- (b) When five (5) or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## 13. DESIGNATED ADULT

- 13.1 An adult (parent, guardian or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of each competitor under the age of eighteen (18). It is solely the responsibility of this adult to decide if the competitor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. The adult supervising the competitor is ultimately responsible for the risks. Additionally, this designated adult shall accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the event.
- 13.2 Competitors who are eighteen (18) years or older are responsible for their own actions, and for the decision to sail in weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event.

## 14. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 14.1 Support Person Vessels (SPVs) must register with the OA during Check-in.
- 14.2 [DP] Competitors who wish to keep SPVs at VYC must make prior arrangements with the VYC prior to use of the hoist, trailer storage and in-the-water berthing.
- 14.3 [DP] All SPVs shall carry and monitor a VHF radio capable of communicating on normal domestic and international channels.
- 14.4 The conduct of SPVs and support persons is governed by the SIs.
- 14.5 [DP] SPVs shall remain in the water from the time they are launched until the completion of the event.

## 15. PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes will be awarded after racing on Sunday in accordance with the ILCA class guidelines.

## 16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors in the event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. By participating in the event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers (organizing authority, host yacht club, race committee, protest committee, sponsors, and any others acting in an official capacity for the event) from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in the event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

## 17. FURTHER INFORMATION

**Event Chair:** Christina Baum at [baumsgd@yahoo.com](mailto:baumsgd@yahoo.com) or (805) 415-1464.

**Hospitality (subject to applicable VYC guidelines and protocols):** Competitors and their guests are invited to use club facilities during the event. Light refreshments after racing on Sunday will be provided to all competitors. A complimentary dinner for competitors will be provided on Saturday; additional dinner tickets will be available for purchase. VYC is open for a buffet-style breakfast on Sunday morning for guests. Additionally, during check-in on Saturday morning, competitors can pre-order breakfast burritos for Sunday morning which will be served "to go" style.

**Boat Launching, Berthing & Storage:** For Support Person Vessels, see section 14 of the NOR; all competitor boats will be launched from Harbor Cove Beach, which is located directly across and north of Ventura Yacht Club; competitor boats and their dollies/trailers will be stored in the dirt parking lot adjacent to Harbor Cove Beach for the duration of the event. A small amount of SBV trailer storage will be available at VYC on a first come, first served basis. Please arrange with event chair prior to the event. SPV may launch at VYC using the hoist on Friday evening from

**Parking:** Outside of registration Friday evening and Saturday morning, the VYC parking lot will not be available for competitor and guest parking. Free parking along the street and in the Harbor Cove Beach lot is available.

**Lodging:** There are several hotels in the Ventura Harbor area: The Four Points by Sheraton as well as the Holiday Inn Express at Ventura Harbor are located directly across the harbor from Ventura Yacht Club. There is an Embassy Suites 6 miles south, Ventura Beach Marriott and The Comfort Inn & Suites Ventura Beach are both 3 miles away from the club.