



LOS ANGELES YACHT CLUB®

## 2022 Catch Me Who Can Coastal Pursuit Race

# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**Saturday, August 13, 2022**

The 2022 Catch Me Who Can Coastal Pursuit Race will be presented by the Los Angeles Yacht Club. The club is located at 285 Whaler's Walk, San Pedro, California 90731. The LAYC telephone number is 310-831-1203, and the web address is LAYC.org.

### 1. Rules.

- 1.1. This series will be governed by the "rules" as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024 (RRS), except as modified by this notice of race and the sailing instructions. Compliance with the US Safety Equipment Regulations (USSER), US Nearshore Race level, as effective January 1, 2022, is recommended. ([Monohull-SER-2022.0 working copy.xlsx](#))
- 1.2. RRS 52 is modified to allow the use of winches operated using stored power.
- 1.3. RRS 55 is modified by adding the following sentence to the rule: "However, discarding biodegradable sail stops when setting a sail is permitted."
- 1.4. All competitors are asked to observe USCG Navigational Rule 9, which in part reads "A sailing vessel shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway."
- 1.5. Further, USCG Navigational Rule 34, in part reads "...When vessels in sight of one another... [are] in doubt whether sufficient action is being taken by the other to avoid collision, the vessel in doubt shall immediately indicate such doubt by giving at least five short and rapid blasts on the (horn)." Any boat participating in an LAYC race that is identified in any complaint from the Coast Guard, Harbor, Pilot or a Commercial Vessel Captain that has warned that participating boat by sounding five horns will be presumed to have infringed this instruction. **RRS 60.2, 63.1 and A5 are modified to add that the Protest Committee may disqualify a yacht infringing this instruction without a hearing.**

2. **Schedule of Races.** The Warning Signal for the first start will be at 1155 on Saturday, August 13, 2022. Subsequent starts will follow the first start.

3. **Racing Area.** The total race distance is approximately 15.6 nautical miles on Course 1 (Long Course) and 9.8 nautical miles on Course 2 (Short Course). A course chart is included as Appendix A.

- 3.1. The start line will be located in Los Angeles Harbor inside the middle breakwater east of Pier 400 in the vicinity of these coordinates: N33° 43.34', W118° 13.77'
- 3.2. The weather mark for Course 1 (Long Course) will be located in the vicinity of Portuguese Bend, approximately southeast of Inspiration Point at approximately these coordinates: N33° 44',

W118° 22'. The weather mark for Course 2 (Short Course) will be located in the vicinity of White Point at approximately these coordinates: N33° 43', W118° 19'.

3.3. The finish line will be located in Los Angeles Harbor, inside the San Pedro breakwater near the Lane Victory in the vicinity of these coordinates: N33° 43.00', W118° 16.22'

3.4. All marks are to be kept to port except where designated as (S) for starboard.

4. **The Start and Finish.** Please read this section carefully to ensure a safe and competitive start on race day.

4.1 Committee will communicate with boats on channel 71.

4.2 This is a pursuit race (reverse handicap start). Starting times will be staggered according to assigned PHRF handicaps. The list of starting times will be available online at [www.layc.org](http://www.layc.org) and at [Regatta Network](#) as soon as possible after closing of registration at 1800 on Thursday, August 11, 2022 and in no case later than 1700 on Friday, August 12, 2022.

4.3 The race will be started using RRS rule 26 except as modified by these sailing instructions. The preparatory flag is the "I" flag (See paragraph 5) and it will not be removed once displayed until all boats have started. A long horn will be given one minute prior to the first start. This changes RRS rule 26.

4.4 The starting line will be between a staff on the race committee boat displaying an orange flag and nearby orange mark.

4.5 To alert all yachts that the starting sequence is about to commence, multiple sound signals will be made approximately one minute prior to the warning signal for the first boat. The fleet may expect the following time sequence:

Event	Time
Attention Signal	1154
Warning Signal	1155
Preparatory Signal	1156
Long Horn only (this changes RRS rule 26)	1159
First Start	1200

4.6 **After the first start a whistle will be sounded at each individual yacht's start time. There shall be NO FLAG signal given.** This changes RRS rule 26.

4.7 For the purpose of establishing a boat's individual preparatory signal time, it shall be four minutes prior to her individual start time. There shall be **NO FLAG** signal given. There will be **NO SOUND** signal given. All boats within their preparatory signal time are, by definition, racing. This changes RRS rule 26.

4.8 **Boats not racing must keep clear of the racing area.**

4.9 The finish line will be between a staff on the race committee boat displaying a

blue flag and nearby orange mark.

**5. Recalls and OCS Procedure.**

- 5.1. Any boat that is OCS will be signaled with a horn and hailed on channel 71.
- 5.2. Any boat that is OCS shall sail across an extension of the starting line to restart. There shall be no code flag "X" flown. This changes RRS rule 29.1.
- 5.3. Failure of equipment, failure to hear a hail, delay in hailing, or the order in which hails are given shall not be grounds for redress.

**6. Time Limit and Retirement.**

- 6.1. Boats finishing after 1630 hours shall be scored DNF. This changes RRS rules 35 and A4.
- 6.2. A boat that retires from the race shall notify the race committee by hailing or on UHF channel 71. If unable to do one of those, email the PRO at [seanmcg23@gmail.com](mailto:seanmcg23@gmail.com) with notification of retirement.

**7. Protests and Requests for Redress.**

- 7.1. A boat intending to protest shall notify race committee and identify the boat under protest promptly upon finishing or retiring from the race.
- 7.2. Protest shall be written on forms available online on the U.S. Sailing website and at the LAYC front desk. File protests by presenting them directly to the PRO or via email to [seanmcg23@gmail.com](mailto:seanmcg23@gmail.com) (Sean McGillen) and [kpcnut@aol.com](mailto:kpcnut@aol.com) (Ken Corry). The protest time limit is one hour after the last boat finishes. This time will be posted on the notice board when it is known.

**8. Trophies.** Trophies will be presented in the Transpac Room at LAYC at approximately 1700, Saturday, August 13, 2022, after the race. Take home trophies for the event will be awarded in each class on the following basis: up to 4 entries- 1 trophy; 5 to 7 entries- 2 trophies; 8 or more entries- 3 trophies.

**9. Social Events and Hospitality.** The race will be followed immediately by light fare (complimentary sandwiches and salads) and a no-host bar serving beer and wine in the Transpac Room at LAYC. Skippers, crews, and families are invited to participate.

**10. Berthing.** Los Angeles Yacht Club may be able to assist with limited berthing. For further information please contact the yacht club office.

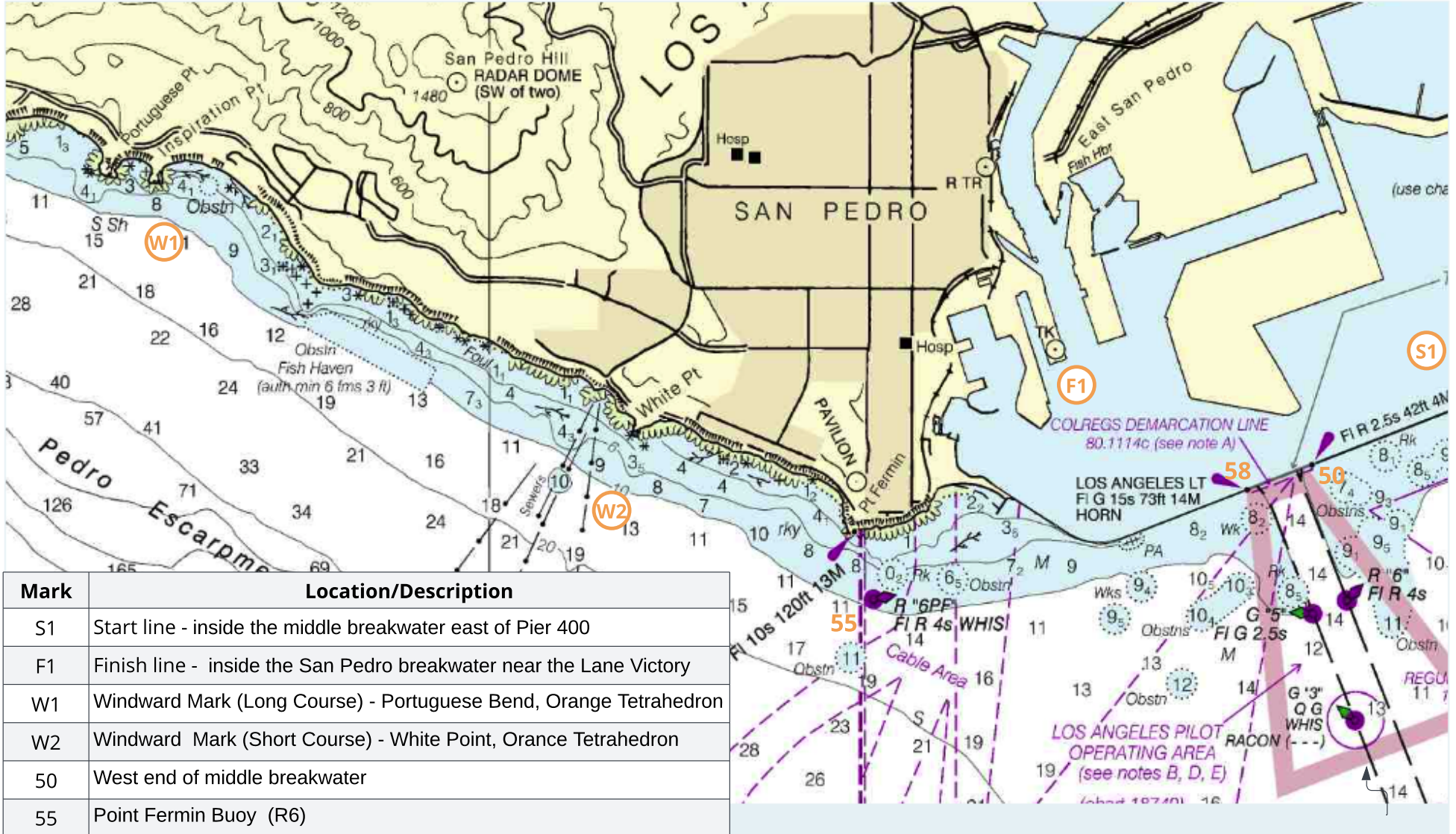
**11. Disclaimer of Liability.** Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, 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. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

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Mark	Location/Description
S1	Start line - inside the middle breakwater east of Pier 400
F1	Finish line - inside the San Pedro breakwater near the Lane Victory
W1	Windward Mark (Long Course) - Portuguese Bend, Orange Tetrahedron
W2	Windward Mark (Short Course) - White Point, Orange Tetrahedron
50	West end of middle breakwater
55	Point Fermin Buoy (R6)
58	LA Light (East end of San Pedro Breakwater)

Not to be used for navigation.

Course	Mark 1	Mark 2	Mark 3	Mark 4	Mark 5	Mark 6	Mark 7	Mark 8	Distance
1	S1	50	55(S)	W1	55	58	F1		15.6nm
2	S1	50	55(S)	W2	55	58	F1		9.8nm