



2023

OFFSHORE RACING SERIES

April 8 thru August 19, 2023

NOTICE OF RACE

Dana Point Yacht Club
24399 Dana Drive, Dana Point, CA 92629

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY AND RACE MANAGEMENT

The Organizing Authority (OA) for this Series is the Dana Point Yacht Club (DPYC). The Dana Point Yacht Club Race Committee (RC) will manage this Series and shall appoint a Protest Committee (PC).

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the Rules as defined in the 2021-2024 [Racing Rules of Sailing](#).
- 1.2 [US Sailing Prescriptions](#) to Rule 63.2 will not apply.
- 1.3 The [US Safety Equipment Requirements](#) (SER) Near Shore Category will apply, except as modified by this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 The rules of [PHRF of Southern California](#) (PHRF) will apply.
- 1.5 **[DP]** RRS 64.2, Penalties is modified by adding: (c) When the protest committee decides a boat that is a party to a protest hearing has broken a rule, it may assign a time penalty to be added to the boat's corrected time.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 This regatta is open to boats in PHRF Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker & ORCA classes.
- 2.2 PHRF Spinnaker entries must have a current PHRF rating certificate.
- 2.3 One-Design classes may be established with five or more entries. Entrants wishing to establish a One-Design class should contact the OA at race@dpyc.org.
- 2.4 Where the OA receives fewer than 5 entries for a class, the RC reserves the right to reassign those boats to another class.
- 2.5 Any boat entered without a rating will be assigned a rating by the OA whose decision is final and binding and shall not be grounds for a request for redress. This Changes RRS 78.
- 2.6 To become an entrant, skippers must complete an online entry form for **each race** and pay all fees by the entry deadline.

Date	Race	Online Entry Form
April 8	ORS 1 – Ensenada Tune-Up	ORS 1
May 13	ORS 2 – Aliso Creek Dash	ORS 2 Online Entry
July 1	ORS 3 – Newport Bell Buoy	ORS 3 Online Entry

Date	Race	Online Entry Form
August 4 (Friday)	ORS 4 – Oceanside Sprint	ORS 4 Online Entry
August 19	ORS 5 – San Mateo Point	ORS 5 Online Entry

2.8 **The entry deadline for each race in the Series is 1800 hours on the day preceding each race date.**

3. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1 Sailing Instructions for each race will be posted on the online Official Notice Board as shown in 7.1 no later than Wednesday preceding each race date.
- 3.2 A race packet including the Sailing Instructions and additional information will be issued to each skipper at the Competitor’s Meeting for each race.
- 3.3 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the online Official Notice Board by 1000 hours of the day they are to take effect.

4. **FEES**

- 4.1 The entry fee for each Series Race is \$40.
- 4.2 There is no separate entry fee for the Overall Series.

5. **COMPETITOR’S MEETING**

- 5.1 A competitor’s meeting is scheduled at DPYC for each race on:
 - ORS 2 – Saturday, May 13, 2023 @ 0900 Hrs.
 - ORS 3 – Saturday, July 1, 2023 @ 0900 Hrs.
 - ORS 4 – Friday, August 4, 2023 @ 0900 Hrs.
 - ORS 5 – Saturday, August 19, 2023 @ 0900 Hrs.

6. **CLASSES**

- 6.1 Classes will be based upon the type and number of entries received using PHRF Area E ratings. Any boat from outside Area E where there is no like Area E rated boat will be based upon their PHRF Regional ratings.
- 6.2 Any boat assigned a rating by the OA will be based on that assigned rating.
- 6.3 Anticipated classes are PHRF A, PHRF B, PHRF C, Non-spinnaker and ORCA.

7. **SCHEDULE**

7.1 Five ORS races are scheduled:

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- 7.2 The first Warning Signal for each race will be at 1055 hours.
- 7.3 ORS 4 – Oceanside Sprint on Friday, August 4 is a feeder race to the [Oceanside Yacht Club Elizabeth Hospice Charity Regatta](#) on August 5 & 6.

8. COMMUNICATION

- 8.1 The online Official Notice Board for each race is shown in 7.1.
- 8.2 The Secondary Notice Board is located upstairs at DPYC.
- 8.3 On the water, the RC may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors by VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 8.4 **[DP]** From the first warning signal until the end of each race, 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.

9. COURSES AND RACE AREA

- 9.1 The race area for this Series is the open ocean and as generally shown on Dana Point Race Chart v.8.0 which will be included in the Sailing Instructions.
- 9.2 The course for each race will be included in the Sailing Instructions for that race.

10. SCORING

- 10.1 The Low-Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 10.2 There will be one throwout race for the Series.
- 10.3 Boats shall be scored using PHRF Area E ratings.
- 10.4 Any boat from outside Area E where there is no like Area E rated boat will be scored using their PHRF Regional ratings.
- 10.5 Non-Spinnaker offsets will be used for all non-spinnaker classes.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 US Sailing Prescriptions Appendix V will apply.

12. RISK STATEMENT

- 12.1 RRS 3 states: ‘The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.’ By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

13. INSURANCE

13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid watercraft liability insurance policy in an amount not less than \$300,000 personal injury and personal property damage of \$100,000.

14. PRIZES

14.1 Trophies will be awarded following each race and Overall Series trophies will be awarded following ORS 5 on August 19, 2023.

14.2 Take home trophies will be awarded to all classes for each race and for the Overall Series.

14.3 The overall winner in the PHRF Fleet for each race will be awarded the "Top Gun" flag.

14.4 The overall winner in the PHRF Fleet for the Series will be awarded a special "Top Gun" award.

15. POST RACE EVENTS

15.1 Post race celebrations for all racers and guests will be held at DPYC, except ORS 4 on Friday, August 4 will be held at Oceanside Yacht Club.

15.2 There will be an Overall Series Trophy Party at DPYC following racing of ORS 5 on Saturday, August 19. Racers from all five ORS races and guests are invited.

16. GENERAL INFORMATION

16.1 Questions regarding the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions, including interpretations of published rules and amendments, must be submitted in writing to the RC.

16.2 General questions and further information is available as shown below:

Regatta Chair & PRO, Mike Hatcher

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