



LOS ANGELES YACHT CLUB®

2023 Trujillo Transpac Qualifier Race

CORTES BANK Bishop Rock

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The **2023 Trujillo Transpac Qualifier Race**, will be hosted by Los Angeles Yacht Club. The Organizing Authority (OA) is Los Angeles Yacht Club, located at 285 Whaler's Walk, San Pedro, California 90731. The LAYC telephone number is 310-831-1203. www.layc.org

The intent for this event is to create a race that covers the required 150 nautical mile passage length for all Transpac Race entrants.

1 COVID-19 PANDEMIC

1.1 This event is being held in compliance with all the current requirements, policies, restrictions and procedures promulgated by Federal, California State and local government entities that may apply during the Covid-19 Pandemic, furthermore, this guidance shall be carefully followed by LAYC, competitors, and other race staff.

2 RULES

2.1 This series will be governed by the "rules" as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024 (RRS), the US Safety Equipment Requirements, (USSER), US Nearshore Race level effective January 1, 2022 and RRS Appendix RV, except as modified by this notice of race and sailing instructions.

2.2 RRS 52 is modified to allow the use of winches operated using stored power.

2.3 RRS 55 is modified by adding the following sentence to the rule: "However, discarding biodegradable sail stops when setting a sail is permitted."

2.4 All competitors are asked to observe **USCG Navigational Rule 9**, which in part reads "A vessel shall not cross a narrow channel or fairway if such crossing impedes the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within such channel or fairway."

2.5 Further, **USCG Navigational Rule 34**, in part reads "...When vessels in sight of one another are approaching each other... and either vessel ... is 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.

2.6 **RRS Appendix RV** (reduced visibility racing shall be enforced.)

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the clubhouse by the front desk and online at www.layc.org

3.2 On the water, race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors via VHF channel 71.

3.3 While racing 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 SCHEDULE OF RACE

4.1 This offshore race is intended to comply with a 150-mile offshore passage requirement.

4.2 There is no skipper's meeting. Flag "L" Lima will be flown until the 1154 attention signal to allow all entrants to check in at the signal boat on starboard tack. The warning signal will be at 1155.

4.3 Noon start for both classes (ORR and ORR-EZ).

4.4 Start sequence will comply with RRS rule 26.

5 CLASS FLAGS

5.1 Alpha (A) will be the class flag for the only starting sequence.

6 STARTING AREA AND COURSE

6.1 The course for this event will start outside Los Angeles Harbor near the Point Fermin buoy.

6.2 Proceed to the west end of Catalina Island and round it, leaving the island to port.

6.3 Proceed to Cortes Bank and round the Bishop Rock CB2 buoy to port.

6.4 Return on a course past the west side of San Clemente Island, but remain well clear of the island, leaving it to starboard. For this race, there is an **exclusion zone** around the entire island that is five nautical miles from the island at all points, to include the virtual mark coordinates 33 04.00N, 118 41.00W that shall be left to starboard. Yachts crossing into this exclusion zone at any point shall be subject to a discretionary penalty (DP) of two hours or less.

6.5 The finish line will be virtual. Entrants will record their finish time, with an image of the time and precise location information shown on their GPS, when the East End light bears 315 degrees magnetic sighting from the yacht, and the yacht is within one nautical mile of the East End light. The total course distance is 155.2 nm. This GPS image shall be emailed to the PRO, David Collins, at davidcollins@mindspring.com.

6.6 This event is scored time on time (TOT) and there is no cut-off time, but if it is being used as a qualifier, the PRO must receive a valid GPS finish time and sailed distance from the competitor.

6.7 From here, proceed to port.

6.8 The chart for this course, TTQualifierRace_v03_chart.pdf is available at www.layc.org.

7 MOVEMENT OF SAILS

7.1 Movement of sails not in use while racing is allowed, however, all gear and sails not being flown shall remain within a yacht's lifelines. This modifies RRS 51 only as to the movement of sails.

8 SCORING

- 8.1 ORR and ORR-EZ will start together but be scored separately. The rating will be Time on Time.
- 8.2 The Low Point system of Appendix A will apply.
- 8.3 Results will be posted online as soon as they become available.

9 PROTESTS.

9.1 Any protests and redress requests should be submitted to the PRO by email at davidcollins@mindspring.com after racing, and they will be heard at a time and date to be agreed on by all parties.

10 TROPHIES, SOCIAL EVENT AND HOSPITALITY

- 10.1 There is no planned hospitality for this weekend.
- 10.2 The TROPHY PRESENTATION for all **2023 LAYC Offshore Races** will take place at a party on Sunday, October 29th. Details will be announced soon.

11 BERTHING

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

12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

12.1 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 4, 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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