



LOS ANGELES YACHT CLUB®

## 2023 Trujillo Transpac Qualifier Race

### CORTEZ BANK

## NOTICE OF RACE

Friday, May 19 (through Sunday)

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](http://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) is invoked for this race.

2.7 **SER version 2022** is invoked for this race.

### 3 Eligibility and Entries

3.1 The race is open to yachts possessing a current Southern California Area ORR-Ez handicap certificate.

3.2 A minimum of three entries will be required to establish a leet. Entry fees shall be \$150:00 for the race and all entries must be accompanied by a current ORR-Ez certificate. Entries must be received by 1800 hours Thursday, May 18th, 2023. Late entries will only be accepted with the approval of the Race Committee Chairman or Principal Race Officer. Late entries will not be considered without a current certificate and completed necessary entry forms and entry fees. Entries may be made by completing an LAYC Race Entry form available at [www.LAYC.org](http://www.LAYC.org), or through Regatta Network.

### 4 Rating choice and scoring for this event.

4.1 This event will be rated under ORR-Ez. Starting in January 2023, every boat obtaining an ORR certificate will also be issued a free ORR-Ez certificate on the same sail configuration as their ORR certificate. Yachts that have a current PHRF certificate can easily obtain an ORR-EZ certificate. The following is the link: [Regatta Management Solutions - Race Registration System - Boat Select - 2023 ORA Certificate Application](#).

4.2 A boat's corrected time will be calculated using the Time-on-Time scoring method with a boat's appropriate rating. The boat with the lowest corrected time in each division will be scored first and so on.

### 5 Schedule of Race

5.1. There is no skippers' 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.

5.2 Noon start.

5.3 There will only be one start for this event.

### 6 Course

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

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

6.3 Proceed to Cortez Bank and round the CB2 buoy leaving it 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 a distance of 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. The GPS image shall be emailed to the PRO, David Collins, at [davidcollins@mindspring.com](mailto:davidcollins@mindspring.com).

6.6 From here, proceed to port.

6.7 This will satisfy the TPYC Transpac Race qualifying requirement for completion of a 150 nautical mile offshore passage.

**NOR Amendment #1 (TTQualifierRace\_Chart) describes the course for the race.**

## **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 Sailing Instructions**

8.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available at [www.layc.org](http://www.layc.org) by 1700 hours on Friday, February 10th 2023. If the club is open, the official noticeboard is inside the front door.

## **9 Scoring**

9.1 ORR-Ez will be the handicap rating system employed for this event.

9.1 The Low Point system of Appendix A will apply.

## **10 Protests**

10.1 Protests should be submitted to the PRO by email and will be heard at a date to be decided.

## **11 Trophies**

11.1 The trophies for the race will be presented at a later date.

## **12 Social Events and Hospitality**

12.1 The club should be open on Sunday for hospitality.

## **13 Berthing**

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

## **14 Disclaimer of Liability**

14.1 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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