



LOS ANGELES YACHT CLUB®

2023 Howland’s Landing Layover Race

NOTICE OF RACE

Saturday and Sunday

October 14 and 15, 2023

Sponsored by
Los Angeles Yacht Club
285 Whalers Walk
San Pedro, California 90731
www.LAYC.org
310-831-1203

The 2023 Howland’s Landing Layover Race is presented by the Los Angeles Yacht Club, the organizing authority for the regatta.

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 March 1, 2023, is recommended. ([Safety Equipment Requirements - Monohull-SER-2023.0-Nearshore.pdf](#)).
- 1.2 Use of winches that are operated using stored power is allowed. This modifies RRS 52.
- 1.3 The discarding of biodegradable sail stops when setting sail is permitted. This modifies RRS 55.
- 1.4 The Los Angeles and Long Beach main channels are considered narrow channels. Per Inland Navigation Rules, Rule 9, sailing vessels and any vessels attempting to cross these channels shall not impede a vessel that can only safely navigate within a narrow channel. Competitors are requested to observe Rule 9.
- 1.5 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 the Howland’s Landing Layover 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 and may be scored DSQ without a hearing. This modifies RRS 60.2, 63.1, and A5.

2. Eligibility and Entries.

- 2.1 This race is open to yachts possessing a current Southern California PHRF handicap.
- 2.2 A minimum of two entries are required to establish a class.
- 2.3 Eligible boats must enter online by completing a [Race Entry on the Regatta Network](#) and paying the required fee. All entries must be accompanied by a current PHRF certificate. Late entries will only be accepted with the approval of the Race Committee Chairman and will not be considered without a current PHRF certificate, completed entry form, and payment of the entry fee. Please email your PHRF certificate to racing@layc.org.
- 2.4 The entry deadline is 1800, Thursday October 12, 2023.
- 2.5 After your entry is complete, if you require assistance booking a mooring at Howland’s Landing for the layover on Saturday night, please call LAYC at 310-831-1203.

3. Fees.

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$80.00 per boat.
- 3.2 Entries are not considered complete until fees have been paid.
- 3.3 Online payment is available through Regatta Network at [Howland's Layover Race Entry Form](#).
- 3.4 A trophy presentation event and party will be held at Los Angeles Yacht Club after the completion of racing on Sunday, October 15, 2023, at 1800.

4. Schedule of Events.

Friday, October 13	Arrival, Rigging and Tuning	All day
Race 1: From San Pedro to Howland’s Landing		
Saturday, October 14	Competitors Briefing	0900
	Warning	1155
	Dinner Shuttle service begins	1745
	Howland’s Layover BBQ	1800
	Last shuttle leaves	2200
Race 2: From Howland’s Landing to San Pedro		
Sunday, October 15	Warning	1155
	Trophy Presentation	1800

5. Sailing Instructions.

- 5.1 Sailing Instructions for this event will be available by 1800, October 12, 2023.

6. Racing Area.

- 6.1 Race 1 – The starting area for race 1 will be in the vicinity of Los Angeles Harbor approximately 1 – 1.5 nautical miles *northeast* of the Los Angeles Harbor entrance in the

inside middle breakwater area. The finish area for race 1 will be off Howland's Landing, Catalina Island.

- 6.2 Race 2 – The starting area for race 2 will be in a similar location to the finish area for race 1 off Howland's Landing, Catalina Island. The finish area for race 2 will be in the vicinity of Los Angeles Harbor approximately 0.5 to 1 mile *west-northwest* of the Los Angeles Harbor entrance inside the San Pedro breakwater.

7. Radio Communications

- 7.1 The race committee intends to monitor VHF Channel 71. Skippers are required to have a VHF radio capable of receiving and transmitting on VHF Channel 71.
- 7.2 The Race Committee may use VHF Channel 71 to broadcast information such as location of Signal Boat, sail numbers and/or names of boats recalled, change of course, etc. Failure to receive or hear such radio transmissions will not be grounds for redress (RRS 62).

8. Scoring.

The Low Point system of Appendix A will apply. Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series. A yacht's series score will be the total of her race scores. There will be no "throw out" race. This modifies RRS A.2.

9. Trophies.

Trophies for the event will be awarded to the top 3 corrected time finishes.

10. Hospitality

- 10.1 Saturday Evening Dinner Ashore at the LAYC Howland's facility – BBQ will be ready! Bring protein to cook for your crew and LAYC provides the plates, dinnerware, napkins, cups, salads, and desserts. There will also be a rum bar, beer, water, and soft drinks.
- 10.2 LAYC provides shuttle boat service from cove-moored boats to the Howland's Landing Pier. Request shuttle boat service by hailing the tender directly or by hailing "LAYC Race Committee" on VHF channel 71.

11. Disclaimer of Liability

- 11.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. This disclaimer will be acknowledged by the skipper's entry form.

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