



# George Gray Single & Double Handed Race

**Southwestern Yacht Club**  
San Diego, California  
Saturday, April 6, 2024  
**NOTICE OF RACE**



## **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The [Racing Rules of Sailing \(RRS\)](#) including US Sailing Prescriptions*, except [US Sailing Prescription](#) to Rule 63.2 will not apply.
- 1.2 The regatta will utilize a "pursuit" or reverse handicap start.
- 1.3 Change RRS 40 to read, "*Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. This rule always applies while afloat. The Y flag need not be displayed.*"
- 1.4 For the single-handed class only, change RRS 52 to read: "*A boat's standing rigging, ~~running rigging, spars and movable hull appendages~~ shall be adjusted and operated only by the power provided by the crew. Autopilots or self-steering devices are permitted.*"  
The intent of this modification is to permit the use of power winches and autopilot/self-steering devices for the single-handed class.

## **2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available at the [event website](#) no later than 1700 on Friday, April 5, 2024.
- 2.2 The start times will be available at the [event website](#) no later than 0900 on the morning of the race and will be posted as an amendment to the SIs.

## **3 COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located [here](#), or through the [SWYC](#) website.
- 3.2 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio channel 68.

## **4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1 The race is open to all sailboats of 22 feet LOA or greater.
- 4.2 Entry shall be submitted at [the online event site](#) no later than 1700 hours Friday, April 5, 2024. Late entries will not be accepted because the pursuit start times must be pre-calculated.
- 4.3 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.4 A minimum of five (5) entries are required to have a race.

## **5 FEES**

- 5.1 The required fee is \$30 per boat.

## **6 SCHEDULE**

- 6.1 The race is scheduled for Saturday, April 6, 2024.
- 6.2 The first warning is scheduled for 1155.

## **7 EQUIPMENT**

- 7.1 Life jackets must be worn at all times per NoR 1.3.
- 7.2 Boats shall have a VHF radio on deck, tuned to Channel 68.
- 7.3 It is recommended that a safety harness, tethered to the boat, be worn.
- 7.4 The US Sailing's Safety at Sea Committee describes the gear requirements to be used on sailboats when racing. See [US Sailing Nearshore Safety Equipment Requirements](#) for a list of the required gear.

## **8 VENUE AND COURSE**

- 8.1 The racing area will be in the San Diego Bay and the Coronado Roads. (NOAA Charts 18773 & 18772).
- 8.2 The race course will be approximately 14nm in length running out the channel, into the Coronado Roads, to Navy Mooring Buoy TG-1, and back.
- 8.3 The starting/finishing line will be in the vicinity of San Diego channel buoy 17.

## **9 CLASSES AND CLASS PENNANTS**

- 9.1 There will be one single-handed class and one double-handed class.
- 9.2 Boats shall provide their own class flag:
  - green for the single-handed class
  - white for the double-handed class.
- 9.3 [DP] The class flag must be flown from the backstay of all boats, or in a prominent manner on the stern, when checking in, while racing, and when finishing.

## **10 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 10.1 RRS *Appendix T - Arbitration*, shall apply.
- 10.2 US Sailing prescription *Appendix V - Alternative Penalties*, shall apply.

## **11 SCORING**

- 11.1 All boats will be rated using PHRF local area Random Leg Course (RLC) ratings. Boats should be in the configuration and with the equipment and sails for which they have been rated.
- 11.2 Boats without a PHRF rating will be assigned one by the OA before the start of the race.
- 11.3 Boats will be scored in the order of finish.
- 11.4 Boats will be scored using Time-on-Distance.

## **12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 12.1 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, 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. The race organizers (SWYC, race committee, protest committee, 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. As a condition of their participation in this regatta, competitors release all claims they may have against SWYC and its officers, directors, members, committees

and employees for damage to property, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta. Competitors shall be responsible for damage or injury caused by their breach of *The Racing Rules of Sailing* or applicable governmental rules for the avoidance of collision.

**13 INSURANCE**

13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate third-party liability insurance.

**14 PRIZES**

14.1 SWYC will host an after race party at the clubhouse after the race.

14.2 Prizes will be awarded in each class.

14.3 The George Gray Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the winner of the single-handed class. The George Gray Two Hand Cup perpetual trophy will be awarded to the winner of the double-handed class.

**15 FURTHER INFORMATION**

Questions may be addressed to the event chair, Bill Mason, [masonwilliams3@gmail.com](mailto:masonwilliams3@gmail.com).