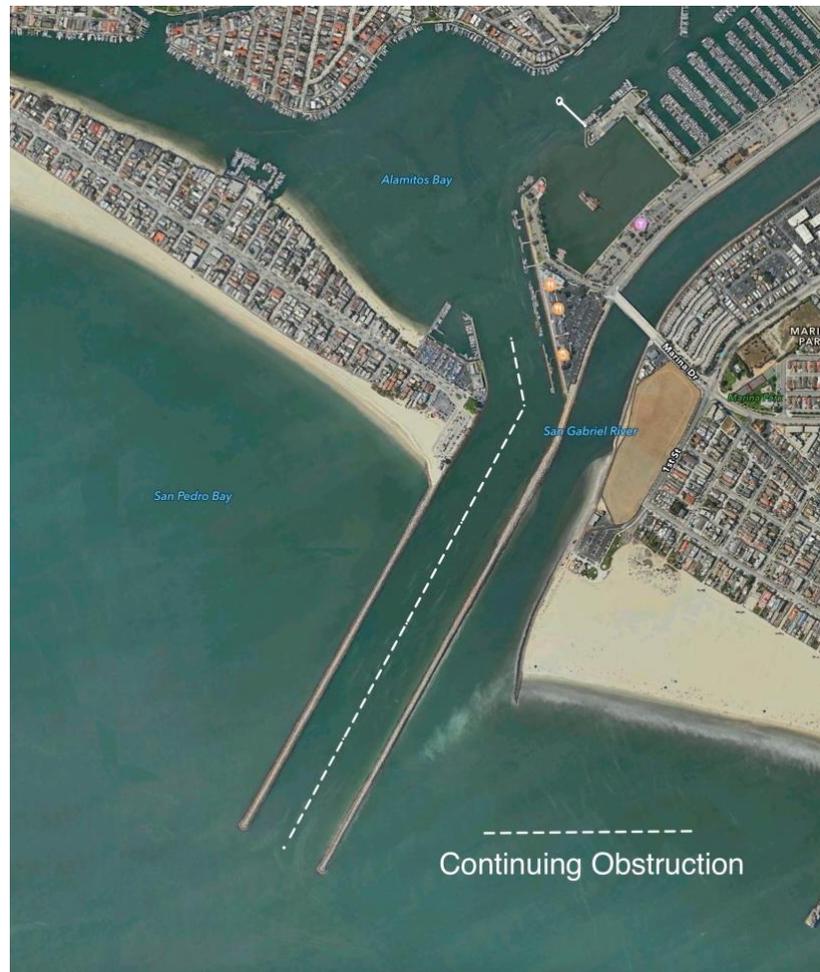


# Supplements & Changes to Sailing Instructions

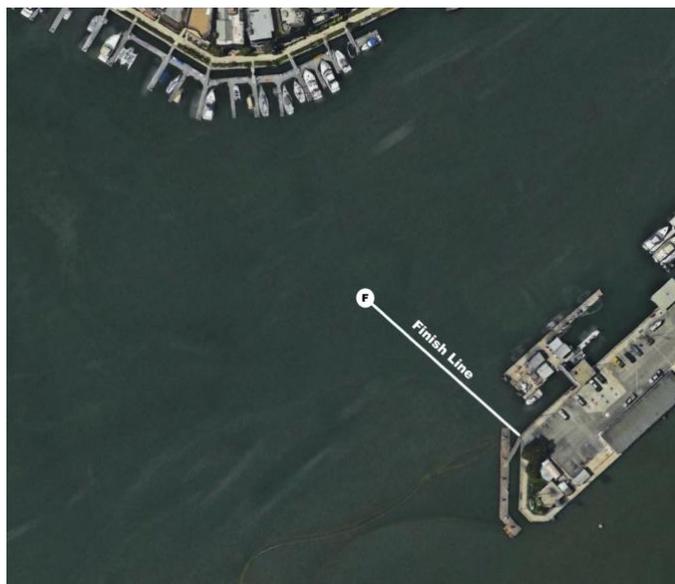
## Pop Tops - 2024

May 1, 2024

- 1. Mark "A"** - "A" Buoy at the entrance to Alamitos Bay Marina (ABM) is considered a "Mark" (in addition to being the start of a continuing obstruction) for all Pop Tops Race Courses. A 3-boat zone shall be in effect for determining "Mark" room at "A" Buoy. This changes Rules 18.1(d) and 19 for Mark "A" only. "A" Mark shall be passed to port. In the event that "A" Buoy is missing, the first center of channel buoy will be considered as a replacement for "A" Buoy.
- 2. Continuing Obstruction** - A boat that crosses the "Continuing Obstruction" down the channel entering Alamitos Bay must take a one-turn penalty as soon as it has cleared the end of the Continuing Obstruction or be subject to protest and/or disqualification.



3. **Missing 5-MPH Buoy** - The last buoy of the Continuing Obstruction is the 5-MPH buoy usually in front of Malainey's Restaurant. If that buoy is missing, the Continuing Obstruction will end at the 5-MPH buoy at the entrance channel dogleg in front of Ballast Point Restaurant.
4. **Finish line** - The finish line will be between the Navy Yacht Club facility and the center of channel buoy or an Orange flag in front of the Navy Yacht Club. This changes Sailing Instructions-Pop Tops 2023-24 Course Chart #11.



5. **Time Limit** - The race will be called at 2030 for any class if no boat in that class has finished and boats in that class will be score DNF. A boat finishing prior to 2030 hours shall establish the race for its class and boats in that class will be allowed to finish, and will be scored if they finish prior to 2045. No boats will be finished after 2045. This changes *RRS 35*. This changes the Notice of Race and SI #13 regarding Time.
6. **Deep Draft Boats** - All boats with draft of 10 feet or more - Due to the shoaling at the Alamos Bay Harbor entrance may cross the line between the center channel markers when necessary to avoid running aground. The shoal is typically near the second channel marker but at times has moved further into ABM near the third marker or further out toward the first entrance buoy. This is the only area where the line may be crossed.

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