

South Shore Yacht Club

Sailing Instructions



Crew of 2 Around Catalina Yacht Race

July 20 -- 21, 2013

Newport Beach, CA

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY
 - 1.1. South Shore Yacht Club (SSYC) is the organizing authority for this Race.
2. RULES
 - 2.1. This race will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing Sailing (RRS) 2013-2016 including US Sailing Prescriptions and these Sailing Instructions.
 - 2.2. The Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (PHRF) Marine Industry Racer (MIR) rule shall not apply to any fleets in this event.
 - 2.3. All boats must meet US Coast Guard safety requirements appropriate to their vessel. All participants shall wear Lifejackets after sundown and monitor Channel 16.
 - 2.4. All PHRF mono-hulls and cruising class boats must comply with the PHRF Category 2 Standard Equipment list.
 - 2.5. All Ocean Racing Catamarans shall comply with the ORCA Ocean Racing Catamaran Equipment list.
 - 2.6. Only the same two crew members onboard at the start are permitted on the boat during the race.
 - 2.7. SSYC reserves the right to refuse entry to boats under Rule 76.1 (Exclusion of Boats or Competitors).
3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS
 - 3.1. Notices to competitors will posted on www.southshoreyc.org under “Racing” and sent via email to addresses provided on the entry forms.
 - 3.2. A Skipper’s Meeting will be held at the SSYC clubhouse at 1830 hours, Friday,

July 19, 2013 and to pick up official “Crew of 2 Around Catalina” t-shirts.

- 3.3. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on www.southshoreyc.org before 0900 hours on the day of race.
- 3.4. Any change to the schedule of the races will be posted on www.southshoreyc.org by 1900 hours on the day before the race.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. 10:55 AM Warning;
- 4.2. 11:00 AM Non-Spinnaker Classes A and B, Start Code Flag 1, Around Ship Rock (off Isthmus Cove).
- 4.3. 11:05 AM Spinnaker Class, Start Code Flag 2, Around Ship Rock (off Isthmus Cove).
- 4.4. 11:10 AM PHRF Monohull Classes A, B and C, Start Code Flag 3, Around Catalina Island.
- 4.5. 11:15 AM ORCA Class Catamarans, Start Code Flag 4, Around Ship Rock or Catalina Island.
- 4.6. The US Sailing RRS 26, five (5) minute start sequence will be used for all starts.

5. THE COURSE

- 5.1. There are TWO courses in this race:
 - 5.1.1. Around Catalina Island PHRF and ORCA racers will start off the Balboa Pier in Newport Beach, CA and sail around Catalina Island, leaving Catalina Island to port, and return to the Balboa Pier. For scoring purposes, the handicap distance is 90 nautical miles.
 - 5.1.2. Around Ship Rock Cruising Spinnaker racers will start off the Balboa Pier in Newport, CA and sail around Ship Rock, just north of Isthmus Cove at Catalina Island, leaving Ship Rock to port, and return to the Balboa Pier. For scoring purposes, the handicap distance is 63 nautical miles. NOTE: Avoid the reef in the vicinity of Ship Rock.
 - 5.1.3. Around Ship Rock Cruising Non-Spinnaker racers will start off the Balboa Pier in Newport, CA and sail around Ship Rock, just north of Isthmus Cove at Catalina Island, leaving Ship Rock to port, and return to the Balboa Pier. For scoring purposes, the handicap distance is 63 nautical miles. Spinnakers, gennakers, bloopers or other free-flying headsails are not allowed. Maximum jib size is per rating certificate; for all others maximum jib size is 155% (This modifies RRS 50). Double head sails are permitted.
NOTE: Avoid the reef in the vicinity of Ship Rock.

6. START AND FINISH LINES

- 6.1. The Start Line will be between the orange flag on or near the Race Committee boat and the inflatable orange buoy located approximately 200 yards southeast of the Balboa Pier.
- 6.2. The Finish Line will be between two orange buoys approximately 200 yards off the end of Balboa Pier.

6.3. Boats crossing the finish line at night must call the Race Committee on VHF Channel 68 approximately 30 minutes and again 5 minutes before their arrival. This is particularly important at night when it is sometimes difficult to identify the sail number from the pier.

7. TIME LIMIT

7.1. Race Committee personnel will record times and sound a finish horn until 1700 hours, Sunday, July 22, 2012 for the Catalina Island and Ship Rock courses. After 1700 hours, racers will be scored DNF. This changes Rule 35 and A.4.1.

8. PENALTY SYSTEM

8.1. Rule 44.1, the Two-Turns Penalty, applies.

9. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

9.1. A boat intending to protest shall comply with RRS 60 & 61.1 and notify the Race Committee at the finish line of their intention to protest and identify the other boat(s) involved.

9.2. Protests shall be on written forms, which are available from the SSYC Race Committee at the clubhouse or on electronically available forms, which are available through US Sailing at www.ussailing.org/judges. Protests shall be delivered within the Protest Time Limits in 9.3.

9.3. For protests to be valid, the Race Committee must have been advised of the intention to file a protest form either at the time the protester finishes the race, or, if the Race Committee is no longer on station, at the time of the call described in 7.1. The protest time limit is 0900 hours Monday, July 22nd. Protests must be deposited in the SSYC race entry mailbox before 0900 hours, July 22nd. This changes RRS 61.3.

9.4. Notice will be posted on www.southshoreyc.org under "Racing" within 8 hours of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

9.5. Hearings will be held in the clubhouse room of SSYC or other venue selected by SSYC and will start as soon as practical.

9.6. Notice of protest by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted as in 9.4 to inform boats under RRS 61.1 (b).

10. SCORING

10.1. Scoring will be according to RRS A4.1 Low Point System.

10.2. PHRF Base Random Leg Course (RLC) Ratings will apply.

11. RETIREMENTS

11.1. A yacht that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee on VHF Channel 68 as soon as possible, or shall notify the SSYC Race Committee by telephone at 949-646-3102.

12. PRIZES

- 12.1. Trophies will be awarded after the race on Sunday, July 21, 2013 at the SSYC/NBYC clubhouse, 1099 Bayside Drive (entrance to Balboa Island bridge), Newport Beach, CA. Presentations will begin at 1900 Hours. Refreshments will be served.

13. INSURANCE

- 13.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid combined single limit watercraft liability insurance in an amount not less than \$300,000 personal injury and personal property damage of \$100,000.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 14.1. Competitors participate in this Race entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4 (Decision to Race). The Organizing Authority will not accept liability for damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after this Race. Each boat owner must sign a race entry form releasing the race organizers, their sponsors, contractors and anyone affiliated with the event from liability.

15. CONTACT INFORMATION

- 15.1. The South Shore Yacht Club Race Committee may be reached on VHF Channel 68 or at 949-646-3102.