

2014 Jaws Race – Racing Instructions

Race date: March 23

Start between 1100 and 1130 hours

Predicted Log Race

1. RULES

This race will be governed by 72 COLREGS, the Notice of Race and these Racing Instructions.

Time predictions for rounding each waypoint on the course are to be made by the skipper / owner and provided to the race committee prior to starting on March 23. The Prediction Form is in Appendix A. The actual results are to be noted on the form in Appendix B by the time recorder. It is to be turned in to the Race Committee after finishing.

The predicted times may not be revealed to the recorder prior to and during racing. Nor may the actual times be revealed to the owner / skipper while racing.

Instruments allowed while competing are a tachometer, compass, fathometer and “through the water” speedo. A GPS or other device used to display speed over ground and a timepiece are not allowed for navigation. A timepiece is required for the on-board time recorder only.

A boat and her owner / skipper shall compete in compliance with recognized principles of sportsmanship and fair play. A boat may be penalized under this rule only if it is clearly established that these principles have been violated.

2. SAFETY

Boats shall not impede the passage of a vessel, which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway, (see US Dept. of Commerce chart 18649 for designated narrow channels and fairways of SF Bay) or fishing or other vessel with restricted ability to maneuver. Boats who endanger their own safety or that of the commercial or government vessel will be subject to protest by the Race Committee (RC) or a contestant and face possible disqualification.

The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.

Personal safety is the responsibility of the each individual while racing. While wearing a personal flotation device (PFD) is not a requirement of this race, it is encouraged.

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

Entry is open to power yachts with the following requirements: an inboard power plant (including I/O’s), permanent head, permanent galley, permanent bunks and operates at a speed between 5 and 10 knots. Sailboats under power meeting the entry requirements are also eligible.

Competitors may enter and pay the entry fee online or by submitting a completed entry form including the entry fee to Sausalito Yacht Club before 1100 the day of the race.

4. CLASSES

The will be one class or division.

5. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors or changes to the Racing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board at the SYC clubhouse. Notices shall not be posted later than 2000 hrs on the day before it will take effect. Notices to competitors may also be posted on the website, but the official notice board shall prevail.

6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals will be displayed from the flagpole located at the SYC clubhouse.

A race abandoned may be signaled by "N" over "A" flags.

An "L" flag indicates a Notice to Competitors has been posted.

7. STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

The start and finish line will be between the staff on an orange flag on the clubhouse mast and an inflatable mark to the northeast of the club.

8. SCHEDULE and CLASS FLAG

The "J" flag will be displayed from 1100 to 1130 hours. Boats may start at any time in this 30 minute period.

Races abandoned may be rescheduled utilizing a notice to competitors.

9. COURSE and WAYPOINTS or MARKS (using Yacht Racing Assoc nomenclature when available)

Start – 12 P – 18 P – 23 P – 19 P – R "10" P – "5" S – "2" S – Finish 13.4 NM

Waypoint or Mark Descriptions:

YRA 12 G "1" FL G 4 sec NW Harding Rock, "Little Harding"

YRA 18 GR "BR" FI (2+1) G 6s Bell "Blossom Rock" .9 nm E SE of Alcatraz Island

YRA 23 RW "A" Mo (A) East of Angel Island

YRA 19 R "8" FI R 2.5s approx 1.5nm E of Pt Bluff

R "10" R "10" FI R 4s Bell approx. 1.0nm E of Paradise Cove

"5" FI G 4s 20ft 4M "5" at NE end of Raccoon Straight

"2" Daymark "2" FI R on channel East of Sausalito

P means leave the mark to Port

S means leave the mark to Starboard

10. TIME LIMIT

The time limit for each race will be 1700 hrs for all boats to finish. Boats finishing after this time will not be scored.

11. PROTESTS

Written protests shall be delivered to the Race Committee Chair by 1730. The protests received will be posted on the notice board. Hearings will be held as soon as possible.

12. SCORING

The lowest absolute time difference of the sum of the time differences between the PREDICTED elapsed times and the ACTUAL elapsed times at each of the waypoints will determine the winners.

13. CHECK-IN & RETIRE

All boats are considered checked in by sailing through the start line when starting. A boat that retires from the race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

14. COMMUNICATIONS

The Race Committee will attempt to communicate the start and ending of the starting period on VHF Channel 71. However, the official indications are the flags on the club flagpole.

15. AWARDS, TROPHIES & PARTY

Prizes for will be awarded at the SYC Clubhouse at the conclusion racing to those winners in attendance. All prizes will be awarded based on the number of participants. The perpetual "Jaws" trophy will be shared by the winner of this Predicted Log Race with the two winners of the Pursuit Race for sailboats.. The "Jaws" trophy will again be presented at the SYC Annual Membership Meeting.

Hosted hors d'oeuvres will be provided at the club after the race. Also look for a few sharks in attendance...

Appendix A
 PREDICTED Times
 13.4 mile course

Boat Name _____

Owner / Skipper (signed) _____

Mark (Waypoint)	Approximate Distance Nautical Miles	PREDICTED Elapsed time mm:ss	For Race Committee Use in Scoring	
Start	0.0	00:00	Actual Time	Difference
YRA 12 Little Harding	1.4			
YRA 18 Blossom Rock	2.9			
YRA 23 "A" E of Angel	2.8			
YRA 19 R "8"	1.0			
R "10" E of Paradise	1.6			
Raccoon "5"	1.2			
Sausalito "2"	2.1			
Finish	0.4			

Total	13.4			
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Appendix B
ACTUAL Times
13.4 mile course

Boat Name _____

Time Recorder (signed) _____

Mark (Waypoint)	Actual "Real Time" hh:mm:ss	ACTUAL Elapsed time mm:ss
Start		00:00
YRA 12 Little Harding		
YRA 18 Blossom Rock		
YRA 23 "A" E of Angel		
YRA 19 R "8"		
R "10" E of Paradise		
Raccoon "5"		
Sausalito "2"		
Finish		