



2014 Catalina Island Series

May 17 to October 26, 2014
Long Beach Yacht Club
Long Beach, CA

Sailing Instructions

The Catalina Island Series (CIS) will be hosted by Long Beach Yacht Club (LBYC). Long Beach Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority (OA). LBYC is located at 6201 Appian Way, Long Beach CA 90803. Phone number is (562) 598-9401. Club and Event information are available at www.lbyc.org.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the "rules" as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016, the PHRF of Southern California Class Rules, the One Design Class Rules of any one design class racing as a class, except as amended by the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.2 The PHRF Area C (Long Beach and Los Angeles Harbors) RLC and OWC Ratings shall be used. Specific rating System (RLC or OWC) shall be noted in the Individual Race Course Annex (CA).
- 1.3 Motoring while racing is permitted for the Cruising Division only. The Cruising Division class shall be governed by Appendix D of the PHRF Class Rules and By-Laws, with the exception of all Policies listed in Paragraph 2.0, which shall not apply. SI 12.5 describes the procedure for recording motoring time and reporting to the RC. PHRF Cruising Division boats shall have a rating no lower than 78 sec/mile and have a PHRF ULBD factor below 2.06.
- 1.4 The ORCA Class shall be governed by ORCA class rules and will employ time-on-time ratings (TCFs) that will change in accordance with ORCA's Revised Quarterly Cross-Reference lists supplied by ORCA to the RC and OA.
- 1.5 XS Racing shall be governed by XS Racing class rules and will employ PHRF time-on-distance ratings stated on the entry form. Any XS Racing rating inquiries shall be handled by the class and not the OA.
- 1.6 Competitors are reminded that under the preamble of Part 2 of the RRS boats racing must comply with International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) *or government right-of-way rules*. LB/LA Harbors have a high volume of commercial marine traffic. When in close proximity to commercial vessels under way, competitors shall monitor VHF Channel 13.
- 1.7 Compliance with the current Offshore Racing Council Special Regulations Governing Minimum Equipment and Accommodations Standards and the PHRF Class Rules Appendix B, Standard Equipment, as they are applicable to your class, is recommended.
- 1.8 Power-driven winches are permitted. **This changes RRS 52.**
- 1.9 In the event of a conflict between the NOR and the SI, the SI shall prevail. **This changes RRS 63.7.**
- 1.10 Discarding elastic or wool bands when setting a sail is permitted. **This changes RRS 55.**

2 CLASS DIVISIONS AND ASSIGNMENTS

Based on the number of entries, the type of boats, PHRF ratings and other factors, the OA shall determine Class Divisions and Assignments. PHRF may be divided into a maximum of five classes. There may be five (5) racing classes plus a Cruising Division class and a Double Handed class. The class divisions will be posted at www.lbyc.org and on the Official Notice Board by 1600 hours on Friday May 16, 2014 and will remain unchanged for the series. In the event that a boat changes its rating during the series, the Skipper shall file a new, signed race entry card at LBYC before the next race sailed, prominently marked "Revised - New Rating" on the top border.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted at www.lbyc.org, and on the official Regatta Notice Board located in the lower-floor hallway, North of the Regatta Room at Long Beach Yacht Club.

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the SI, unless subject to RRS 90.2(c), will be posted at www.lbyc.org, and on the regatta notice board at LBYC before 0900 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect. Code flag Lima over a numeral pennant corresponding to the number of the change will be hoisted from the RC Signal Boat. In the event that oral instructions are needed on the water per RRS 90.2(c), the RC Signal Boat shall hoist code flag Lima and boats

shall pass near the RC signal boat to receive and acknowledge receipt of instructions. The RC will also broadcast any changes over VHF Channel 68, beginning approximately one (1) hour prior to the first warning signal.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Club's flagstaff.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

RACE	DESTINATION	DATE	WARNING SIGNAL
1	Long Point	SAT May 17	1055
2	Return	SUN May 18	1155
3	Emerald Bay	SAT June 7	1055
4	Return	SUN June 8	1155
5	Ship Rock	SAT July 19	1055
6	Return	SUN July 20	1155
7	Two Harbors	SAT September 6	1055
8	Return	SUN September 7	1155
9	Oily to Avalon	SAT October 25	1055
10	Return	SUN October 26	1155

7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in Long Beach Harbor, the San Pedro Channel and near Catalina Island.

8 COURSES

- 8.1 The courses will be point-to-point races of varying lengths. Specific details will be described in the Course Annex (CA) for each race.
- 8.2 In the event of inclement weather or unforeseen circumstances, the RC *may* amend the course under the provisions in SI 4 above.

9 MARKS

The following marks will be used in the 2014 CIS:

Mark 38	Yellow Spar Buoy 700yds. SE from the South Marker Horn on Island Chaffee
Pt. Fermin Whistle Buoy	R "6PF" FI R4s WHIS
Palos Verdes Point Bell Buoy	R "10PV" FI R4s BELL
Yellow Lighted Buoy	Y "B", FI Y 6s, 1.6 Miles, bearing 193 deg. Magnetic from the east end of the Middle Breakwater
Yellow Lighted Buoy	Y "A", FI Y 4s, 1.6 Miles, bearing 134 deg. Magnetic from the west end of the Long Beach Breakwater
Green Lighted Buoy	G "1" FI G 2.5s, 4.6 Miles, bearing 197 deg. Magnetic from Long Beach Queens Gate Entrance
Platform Edith	
Long Beach Breakwater – East End	
Queen's Gate	
Ship Rock	
Eagle Rock	

10 THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started using rule 26. An attention signal will be given approximately 1 minute prior to the first warning signal.
- 10.2 **For races starting in Long Beach Harbor**, the starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange over white flag on the RC Signal Boat and Mark 38.
- 10.3 **For races starting in Catalina**, the starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange over white flag on the RC Signal Boat and a mark, buoy or other prominent landmark as described in the CA for each individual race.
- 10.4 The STARTING ORDER and CLASS FLAGS for each individual race will be published in the CA for that race.
- 10.5 In the event that a class published in the CA for an individual race has no boats come to the starting area, the RC Signal Boat will run a BLANK START for that class, in the order published in the CA.

11 RECALLS

General recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.2. Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with rule RRS 29.1. The RC may attempt to hail boats over early on VHF channel 68. Boats may be hailed by

SAIL NUMBER or BOAT NAME. Failure of equipment, failure to hear a hail, delay in hailing or the order in which hails are given shall not be grounds for redress. **This changes Rule 62.1(a)**

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 **For races finishing in Catalina**, the finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange over white flag on the RC signal boat and a point in the water one hundred (100) feet at a bearing of 90 degrees magnetic from the staff on the RC signal boat. There will be NO finish line pin. All boats shall pass the RC signal boat to STARBOARD within 100 feet. When the RC signal boat bears 270 degrees magnetic and a boat is within 100 feet of the RC signal boat, she shall be finished.
- 12.2 **For races finishing in Long Beach Harbor**, the finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange over white flag on the RC signal and Mark 38.
- 12.3 In the event the RC is not on station at the finish, a boat finishing shall take her own time and also the finish time of any boats nearby. Times shall be taken from GPS time and marked on the boat's GPS for verification. **For finishes in Catalina**, boats shall record their time when finish line waypoint listed in the CA for that race bears 270° magnetic and is within a distance of 100 feet. **For finishes in Long Beach Harbor**, the finish time shall be taken when a boat passes within 2 boat lengths of Mark 38. A boat taking their own time shall make every attempt possible to notify the RC on VHF channel 68 of their finish time and note any other boats nearby.
- 12.4 For ALL Cruising Class boats, each boat shall report its motoring time to the RC Signal Boat immediately upon finishing, either in person or via VHF Channel 68.
- 12.5 Cruising Division boats are not required to record or report the position of their boat when their motor is started or turned off. **This changes PHRF Class Rules and By-Laws, Appendix D 3.0g.**

13 RETIREMENT

A boat that starts but does not finish a race or does not finish a race before sunset shall make every attempt to notify the RC either in person or via VHF Channel 68, another boat or the LBYC front desk at (562) 598-9401. Failure to communicate retirement from a race may result in race or series disqualification.

14 TIME LIMIT

The following time limits shall be in effect:

Cruising Division	1800 Hours
All other Classes	No Time Limit

A boat that fails to finish before the time limit will be scored as Did Not Finish (DNF). **This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.**

15 PROTESTS

A boat intending to protest shall notify the RC Signal Boat immediately upon finishing, including the name of the Boat being protested. Protest forms are available at the LBYC front desk. The deadline for filing a protest for an individual race will be 2200 hours on the day of the race, or if the protest is for a race finishing on a Saturday, the deadline will be the day after (also Sunday) at 2200 hours. Protests shall be filed at the front desk of LBYC. Protest hearings will be scheduled by the jury with notice of time and place given to interested parties at least three (3) days in advance.

16 SCORING

- 16.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply, except that a boat may exclude her two (2) worst Scores. **This changes Rule A2.**
- 16.2 Ten (10) races are scheduled. Eight (8) races must be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.3 Boats that "Did Not Finish" (DNF), "Did Not Start" (DNS), "Retired After Finishing" (RAF), were "On Course Side" (OCS) or were "Disqualified" (DSQ) shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that came to the starting area. A boat that "Did Not Compete" (DNC) shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in the race.
- 16.4 To be eligible for the final class and overall series awards, a boat must compete in at least seven (7) races.

17 RADIO COMMUNICATION

The RC shall make every effort to broadcast course and OCS information to boats on the water on VHF Channel 68. RC will also make every effort to announce GPS location to boats when on station at finish line in Catalina.

18 PRIZES

Take home trophies will be awarded for individual races and series for each class and overall, based on number of entries. Individual Class and Overall Winners will have their names engraved on the CIS perpetual trophies

located and kept at LBYC. All prizes will be awarded at the LBYC CIS Trophy Presentation Night on November 12, 2014.

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