



# LOS ANGELES YACHT CLUB

## *Fast Friday 2020*

### NOTICE OF RACE

#### General Information

The Organizing Authority is Los Angeles Yacht Club (LAYC), located at 285 Whalers Walk, San Pedro, CA 90731  
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Co-chairs: Doug Jorgensen, David Collins

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The Covid-19 Pandemic appears to have significantly changed our daily lives for the foreseeable future and has completely altered 2020 yacht racing calendars globally, by entirely erasing most spring and summer schedules. As of the date this NOR is posted, it is impossible to predict precisely when and to what extent yacht racing for the 2020 season will resume. The standing dates will be dependent upon various factors, including the current State Lockdown Order, guidance from Federal and State health authorities, among others. If it becomes impossible to run any of the scheduled races, then that particular date will be **canceled not postponed**. Please monitor our website for updates, or by telephoning the office.

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, except as modified by this Notice of Race and the sailing instructions. Compliance with the US Safety Equipment Regulations (USSER), US Nearshore Race Level, as effective January 1, 2020, is recommended.
- 1.2 PHRF of Southern California (PHRF SoCal) class rules will be in effect for handicap boats.
- 1.3 RRS 55 is modified by adding the following sentence to the rule: 'However, discarding biodegradable sail stops when setting a sail is permitted.'
- 1.4 Any changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.5 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.6 All competitors are asked to observe USCG Navigational Rule 9, which in part reads "A sailing vessel shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway."
- 1.7 Further, USCG Navigational rule 34, in part reads "...When vessels in sight of each other...[are] in

doubt whether sufficient action is being taken by the other to avoid collision, the vessel in doubt shall immediately indicate such doubt by giving 5 short and rapid blasts of the (horn).” Any boat participating in an LAYC race that is identified in any complaint from the Coast Guard, Harbor Pilot, or a Commercial vessel captain that has warned that participating boat by sounding 5 horns will be presumed to have infringed this instruction. **RRS 60.2, 63.1 and A5 are modified to add that the Protest Committee may disqualify a yacht infringing this instruction without a hearing.**

**2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all keelboats of 50’ l.o.a. or less to include PHRF A, PHRF B and a PHRF cruising class. One design classes are welcome to establish separate classes.
- 2.2 The maximum allowable PHRF rating shall be 220.
- 2.3 All classes are required to have a minimum of three boats entered to establish a class.
- 2.4 All classes will use PHRF area “C” certificates that must be current.
- 2.5 Eligible boats may enter by using the **online entry form** at [www.layc.org](http://www.layc.org). Entries must be received by 1700 prior to that Friday's race. Entries for multiple Fast Friday race dates can be entered either on a race-by-race basis or by paying for multiple race dates at the time of entry.
- 2.6 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the race committee but in no case shall any entries be accepted after 5:00pm on the date of the race.
- 2.7 Cruising Class. Entries in the Cruising Class will be allowed for any yacht with a valid area “C” PHRF rating and a completed Cruising Class Rating Worksheet. Entries with Corinthian ratings are welcome but shall not submit a Cruising Class Rating Worksheet. Worksheets and valid ratings must be submitted and available for verification by the Race Committee Chairman prior to race start or the entry will not be considered complete. Cruising Class yachts are subject to additional rules as set forth in the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.8 Class breaks will be posted online and at LAYC by 1700 on the first race day.

**3. FEES**

- 3.1 Required fees are as follows: \$15 for all boats for each race.

**4 SCHEDULE**

- 4.1 Proposed dates for Friday racing: (subject to Covid-19 restrictions)

June 5	July 3	August 7	September 4
June 12	July 10	August 14	
June 19	July 17	August 21	
June 26	July 24	August 28	
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- 4.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first class will be 5:55pm  
 PHRF A start time 6:00pm  
 PHRF B start time 6:05pm  
 Cruising Class start time 6:10pm  
 One Design Class start time 6:15pm
- 4.3 Time limit for finishing will be 7:30pm

## **5 MEASUREMENT**

- 5.1 Each boat shall produce a valid rating certificate.
- 5.2 A boat shall comply with RRS 78.1.

## **6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 6.1 Sailing Instructions will be available at the LAYC front desk by 1700 hours on Friday, of the first race scheduled. Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions and forms related to entry will also be available online.

## **7 VENUE**

- 7.1 The venue and racing areas are Los Angeles harbor adjacent to Cabrillo Marina, but to include outside to the Point Fermin buoy.

## **8 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 8.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official noticeboard located inside the main entrance of the clubhouse and online.

## **9 THE COURSES**

- 9.1 The courses to be sailed will be as shown in the Sailing Instructions, **Addendum C**.
- 9.2 One race will be completed on each Friday that racing is possible.

## **10 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 10.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 10.2 Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

## **11 SCORING**

- 11.1 The low point scoring system will be in effect (Appendix A).
- 11.2 It is hoped to score the series (excluding canceled races) and hold a trophy presentation on the final night.
- 11.3 There will be no throw out race for overall series trophies.

## **12 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## **13 PRIZES**

Prizes will be given to the winner of each class for each night.

## **14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY.**

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, 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. By participating in this event each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated

with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

**15 Social Events and Hospitality**

Unless prevented by the current Covid-19 requirements, the races will be followed by hospitality at the LAYC clubhouse. All skippers, crew and friends are invited to participate.

**16 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact event Co-chairs;

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