

Fast Friday 2021

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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Please read the following Covid-19 related information carefully. 2021 is the second year of the Covid-19 Pandemic. The event named above is being held and organized in compliance with all the current requirements, policies, restrictions and procedures promulgated by Federal, California State and local government entities that may apply during the Covid-19 Pandemic, furthermore, this guidance shall be carefully followed by LAYC volunteers, competitors, and other race staff.

As the Organizing Authority, LAYC will work within the five items listed below for the year 2021, **unless** there is a substantial improvement in the health procedure guidelines.

- 1 Registration will **only** be offered online at <u>www.layc.org</u>
- There will be no gathering at the clubhouse before or after racing. This to include hospitality. There will not be a skippers' meeting. See SI's for detail.
- 3 Results will be posted as soon as possible on <u>www.layc.org</u> and trophies will be handled separately after the event. See SI's for detail.
- 4 Protests will be handled either outside with the participants adhering to social distancing protocols or online as a zoom meeting. See SI's for detail.
- 5 Unless the entire crew of a boat has already had Covid-19 vaccination, the crew must wear face covering or masks and attempt to follow other re-mediating procedures while on board.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024*, 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 2021 Fast Friday season will consist of three separate monthly series of four races, for a total of 12 races from June 4th through August 27th.
- 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 <u>www.layc.org</u>. Entries must be received by 1700 prior to the first race of each month. Entries for the entire season must be submitted by 1700 on June 4th. No entries will be accepted for individual races.
- 2.6 Late entries may be accepted only at the discretion of the race committee.
- 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.

3. FEES

3.1 Required fees are as follows: \$40 for all boats for each month with three separate entries, due June 4th, July 9th and August 6th.

4 SCHEDULE

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

June 4	July 9	August 6
June 11	July 16	August 13
June 18	July 23	August 20
June 25	July 30	August 27

4.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first class will be 5:55pm

Express 37 One Design Class start time 6:00pm

PHRF A start time 6:05pm

PHRF B start time 6:10pm

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 online at www.layc.org 1700 hours on Friday June 4th. Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions and forms related to entry will 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 OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD AND NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

8.1 The official noticeboard will be online at www.layc.org and possibly also on the notice board inside the clubhouse if it is open.

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.

11 SCORING

- 11.1 The low point scoring system will be in effect (Appendix A).
- 11.2 It is hoped to score each of the three series (excluding cancelled races) and hold a trophy presentation on the final night, August 27th.
- 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

- 13.1 Prizes will be given to the winner of each class for each night.
- 13.2 Each of the three series will have an overall first prize.
- 13.3 There will be an overall prize for the complete season of twelve races.
- 13.4 RC may consider increasing the prizes if there are sufficient entries.

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

Covid 19 make it unlikely that there will be hospitality after racing but that could change.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

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