



2017

PHRF of  
Southern California



August 5-6, 2017  
Long Beach Yacht Club  
Long Beach, CA

## Sailing Instructions

The PHRF Championships (PHRFC) will be hosted by Long Beach Yacht Club (LBYC). LBYC 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](http://www.lbyc.org).

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the "rules" as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing and the PHRF of Southern California Class Rules, except as amended by this Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.2 The PHRF Area C (Long Beach and Los Angeles Harbors) Buoy and RLC Ratings shall be used.
- 1.3 Compliance with PHRF Class Rules Appendix B and the current US Sailing US Safety Equipment Requirements (US SER) for Nearshore Racing are recommended.
- 1.5 In the event of a conflict between the NOR and the SI, the SI shall prevail. **This changes RRS 63.7.**
- 1.6 OA reserves the right to amend this NOR. Any amendments to the NOR shall be posted on the PHRFC web page at <http://www.lbyc.org>
- 1.7 Biodegradable yarn for banding spinnakers may be discarded. **This changes RRS 55.**
- 1.8 US Sailing Prescription Appendix V shall apply (Alternative Penalties)
- 1.9 PHRF of Southern California is the rating authority and is appointed as the Technical Committee as described in RRS 60.4 and RRS 92.

### 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. The class divisions, starting order and class flags will be posted at [www.lbyc.org](http://www.lbyc.org) and on the Official Notice Board (ONB) by 1600 hours on Friday August 4.

### 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted at [www.lbyc.org](http://www.lbyc.org), and on the ONB 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](http://www.lbyc.org), and on the ONB 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 LBYC flag pole. 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 69, prior to the first warning signal.

### 5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

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

## 6. SCHEDULE

Race Format	SAT	SUN
Buoy Division	3 Buoy Races	1 Long Random Leg Race
Random Leg Division	2 Short Random Leg Races	1 Long Random Leg Race

Target Race Times:

Buoy Race = 45 minutes	Short RL Race = 90 Minutes	Long RL Race = 180 minutes
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Saturday August 5

Competitor Briefing	0930
First Warning (Buoy and RLC)	1130
Race 2 (Buoy and RLC)	ASAP
Race 3 (Buoy)	ASAP
Regatta Party	After Racing

Sunday August 6

First Warning	1130
Awards Party	Approx. 1 hour after last finish

## 7. RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the vicinity of Long Beach Harbor and the Pacific Ocean

## 8. COURSES

- 8.1 The courses are listed on the attached Course Annex.
- 8.2 The course designation for each class shall be posted using numeral placards on the RC signal boat no later than the warning signal.
- 8.3 The RC shall also hail the designated course for each class on VHF 69 prior the warning signal for each class.

## 9. MARKS

- 9.1 The marks are described on the 2017 WWS Course Chart (WWCC2017), EXCEPT as amended by SI 9.1, SI 10.2 and SI 12.1 below. All marks shall be rounded to port, UNLESS noted with a small "s" which shall require rounding to starboard.
- 9.2 Additional marks not listed on WWCC 2017:

LB Entrance (Queen's Gate)  
LA Entrance (Angel's Gate)  
Oil Platform EVA (located off Huntington Beach)  
Oil Platform EMMY (located off Huntington Beach)

## 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. It is the intent of the RC to make the warning signal for each subsequent class approximately one (1) minute AFTER the starting signal for the class starting immediately before.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying a black and gold flag on the RC Signal Boat and the course side of a black and gold inflatable shape in the vicinity of Mark 38 on the 2017 WWS Course Chart.
- 10.4 The STARTING ORDER and CLASS FLAGS will be published as an ADDENDUM and posted at [www.lbyc.org](http://www.lbyc.org) and on the Official Notice Board.

## 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 69. 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 RRS 62.1(a)**

**12. THE FINISH**

12.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying orange and white flags on the RC signal boat and the course side of an orange inflatable sphere. If the start line and finish line are deployed at the same time, they will be set on opposite sides of the RC signal boat.

**13. RETIREMENT**

A boat that starts but does not finish a race shall make every attempt to notify the RC, another boat or LBYC. Failure to communicate retirement from a race may result in race or series disqualification.

**14. SPARE**

**15. PROTESTS**

15.1 Protest forms are available and shall be filed at the LBYC Front Desk.  
15.2 The deadline for filing a protest is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes.  
15.3 Parties to the protest will be notified of the time and place of the hearing. Failure to be present may result in the hearing proceeding without all parties present, as allowed by RRS 63.3(b).

**16. PENALTIES**

US Sailing Prescription Appendix V shall apply for alternative penalties. **This changes RRS 44.1.**

**17. SCORING**

17.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A2 will apply, except that all races shall be scored without a discard.  
17.2 One (1) completed race shall constitute a series.

**18. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

18.1 The RC shall broadcast starting order, course & OCS information to boats on the water on VHF Channel 69.  
18.2 When in close proximity to commercial marine traffic, all boats shall monitor Long Beach/Los Angeles Harbor commercial marine traffic on VHF Channel 13 while racing.

**19. PRIZES**

Trophies will be awarded by Class within each Division based on the number of entries per class. PHRF Perpetual Trophies and Class 1<sup>st</sup> Place awards will be presented at the PHRF Annual Meeting.

**20. ASSUMPTION OF RISK; WAIVER, RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION**

By entering this event, all racers agree to the following statement: "I understand and agree that yacht racing involves the use and operation of marine equipment in extremely close proximity to other vessels, marks, buoys, and the shoreline in varied weather conditions and differing sea states, and further, that the captains and crews aboard other vessels may not be proficient in the operation of their respective vessels. I further understand and agree that this event is organized by volunteers who are not maritime professionals and who may or may not have formal training in vessel operation or race organization, all of which involves a substantial element of risk, including the risk of property damage or of personal injury or death. Notwithstanding these and other elements of risk and inconvenience, I wish to participate in this event because of my interest in yacht racing and the enjoyment and fulfillment that I derive from yacht racing. Therefore, in consideration of the Race Organizers (as defined below) allowing me and my crew to compete in the event described in this Race Entry Form and/or Notice of Race (the "Event"), I, of and for myself and my Vessel, and my crew, my heirs, assigns, crewmembers, partners, and agents (collectively "We"), hereby agree to accept any and all risks associated with this Event with the knowledge of the dangers and risks involved. We further agree to release Long Beach Yacht Club, including their respective owners, affiliates, officers, directors, members, employees, agents, committee persons, and race officials (collectively, the "Race Organizers"), and hold them harmless and indemnify them, from any and all disputes, actions, claims, demands, liabilities (collectively, "Incidents"), judgments, and attorneys fees which are related to or arise directly or indirectly from the activities associated with this Event (to the extent that We are involved in or participated in, or are alleged to have been involved in or participated in such Incidents), **including, without limitation, those due to the negligence, fault or other act or omission of the Race Organizers.** *US Sailing Prescription Rule 82 shall not apply to this Event.*

**21. FURTHER INFORMATION**

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