



SHORELINE YACHT CLUB

April Fools' Race

April 1st, 2023

NOTICE OF REGATTA

Shoreline Yacht Club, the Organizing Authority, invites you to participate in the April Fools' Race.

1. RULES

1.1 The race will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*. In the event of conflict, the provisions of the Sailing Instructions and any changes thereto, will prevail.

1.2 Boats racing in this event shall not interfere with deep draft vessels or their tows within the Long Beach/Los Angeles harbors or approaches. Boats violating this rule are subject to protest and disqualification.

2. ELIGIBILITY

2.1 This race is open to members of recognized [SCYA](http://www.scya.org) yacht clubs and Sailing Associations who possess a current [PHRF](http://www.phrf.org) certificate.

2.2 Yachts wishing to compete but not holding a valid PHRF rating will be assigned a rating FOR THIS RACE ONLY. All yachts entered shall comply with USCG regulations.

3. ENTRIES AND ENTRY FEES

3.1 Electronic entries are being accepted via the Shoreline Racing website at <http://racing.shorelineyachtclub.com>.

3.2 Paper entries are being accepted at Shoreline Yacht Club, 386 Shoreline Dr, Long Beach, CA 90802.

3.3 The entry fee is \$15.00.

3.4 The cutoff for entries is Friday, March 31 at 12:00 noon. No entries will be accepted after that time.

4. STARTING AND FINISH LOCATION

4.1 Approximately 200 feet south of Mark 39 in Long Beach Harbor

4.2 All competitors must check in at the stern of the Race Committee Boat prior to the first warning signal.

5. START SEQUENCE

Starting Sequence:	Time	Signals
Courtesy sound	11:54	Two sounds
Warning	11:55	PHRF Class flag & Course flag up; one sound
Preparatory	11:56	"P" flag up; one sound
	11:59	"P" flag & Course flag down; one long sound
Start PHRF	12:00	Non-spin Class flag & Course flag up; one sound
Preparatory	12:01	"P" flag up; one sound
	12:04	"P" flag & Course flag down; one long sound
Start Next Class	12:05	Everything down; one sound

6. CLASSES

- 6.1 Class breaks and starting order will be posted 3/31 at 1800 hours at the club and online.
- 6.2 Double headsails are not allowed in non-spinnaker class.
- 6.3 Three starters are required to establish a class. If a yacht enters but fails to establish a class, the Race Committee prior to the courtesy sound shall assign her a starting fleet.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 See Shoreline Yacht Club Course Chart SRC-16a on website.

8. COURSES

- 8.1 Courses will be signaled from the Race Committee Boat using international code flag pennants along with the class flag of the class that will start.
- 8.2 A different course may be signaled for each class.

9. TIME LIMIT

- 9.1 The race shall be called at 16:30 (4:30 pm). A yacht finishing prior to 16:30 shall establish the race for that class. The Race Committee Boat shall remain on station and finish only established classes for the next Thirty (30) minutes. No yachts shall be finished after 17:00 (5:00 pm).

10. SCORING

- 10.1 Scoring will be done on a High Point basis. This is the first race of eight races in the Long Beach Harbor High Point series. Any boat participating will be automatically included in the high point standings.

11. TROPHIES

- 11.1 Trophies will be presented at Shoreline Yacht Club after completion of the races. The number of trophies will be based on the number of yachts entered in each class.
- 11.2 There will be no host bar available to all racers.

12. RADIO COMMUNICATION

The Race Committee will monitor VHF 68 during the Race. Except in an emergency or to contact the Race Committee, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones, the internet, and other modes.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the Race entirely at their own risk. See *RRS 4, Decision to Race*. Neither the Organizing Authorities nor the host Clubs will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the Race.

14. INSURANCE

Each competing boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance having a minimum coverage of \$300,000 to enter this Race.

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