

55th Annual
Seal Beach to Dana Point Race
Saturday, July 6, 2024



NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority (OA) for this Regatta is Dana Point Yacht Club (DPYC) and Seal Beach Yacht Club (SLBYC). The Race Committees (RC) of both clubs will manage this race jointly.

1. RULES

- 1.1 This race shall be governed by the 'Rules' as defined in the [2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing \(RRS\)](#).
- 1.2 [US Sailing prescriptions](#) will apply.
- 1.3 All boats shall comply with the current equipment and safety regulations set forth by [US Safety Equipment Regulations \(SER\) Nearshore Category](#), except as modified by this notice of race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 For boats competing in the PHRF Fleet, the Rules of [PHRF of Southern California](#) (PHRF) will apply.
- 1.5 For boats forming a One-Design class (five or more), the rules of the relevant One-Design class will also apply and they shall compete in the PHRF Fleet.

2. RULES – AMENDED

- 2.1 RRS 54 Forestays and Headsail Tacks, is modified to allow the temporary removal of the forestay to facilitate a gybe. The forestay shall be reattached at the first opportunity after the gybe is complete.
- 2.2 RRS 51 (Movable Ballast) and RRS 52 (Manual Power) are modified as follows:
 - 2.2.1 The movement of sails not in use while racing is allowed, however all gear and sails not being flown must remain within a boat's lifelines.
 - 2.2.2 RRS 51 Movable Ballast and RRS 52 Manual Power are modified to permit the positioning of hull appendages, specifically adjustable keels, or water ballast by hydraulic or electric power on boats so designed and so rated by the RA. All movable ballast systems shall be capable of manual operation if powered systems are inoperable. All other boats shall comply with RRS 51 and RRS 52.
 - 2.2.3 Movable ballast systems designed and rated for the boat (excluding canting ballast strut and bulb) including reservoirs, pipes, tubes, tackle, etc. shall be positioned inside the hull and shall be firmly and indefectibly integrated with the structure of the boat. Movable ballast shall only be used within such systems and shall be seawater only, to the exclusion of all other liquids.
- 2.3 RRS 55 is modified to allow the disposal of biodegradable material used to band spinnakers in the water.
- 2.4 [US Sailing Prescriptions](#) to RRS 63.2 will not apply.
- 2.5 **[DP]** RRS 64.2, Penalties, is modified by adding: (c) When the protest committee decides a boat that is a party to a protest hearing has broken a rule, it may assign a time penalty to be added to the boat's corrected time.

3. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 The Race Committee will publish Sailing Instructions on the online [Official Notice Board](#) no later than July 5, 2024.

4. COMMUNICATION

- 4.1 Any changes made to this Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions will be posted on the online [Official Notice Board](#).
- 4.2 As a courtesy, notices may also be posted on the Supplementary Notice Boards located in the upstairs area at DPYC and outside the main entrance in an enclosed case at SLBYC.

5. ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1 The race is open to ocean racing / cruising sailing vessels whose owners or charterers are members of a yacht club recognized by US Sailing or SCYA. All boats must conform to USCG and US Sailing requirements.
- 5.2 Boats competing in the PHRF Fleet, including any one-design class, must have a valid current PHRF rating certificate.
- 5.3 Cruising Class entries should have a current PHRF Rating Certificate. Those boats without a PHRF Rating Certificate will be assigned a rating by the RC. This rating assignment is final and binding and shall not be grounds for a request for redress.
- 5.3.1 Cruising Class – Boats with a PHRF base OWC rating of 60 or higher, and a PHRF Performance Factor less than or equal to 2.0. If a boat entering the Cruising Class does not have a PHRF rating certificate the RC will determine eligibility based upon the RC assigned rating.
- 5.4 The RC must be able to validate that a boat has a current PHRF Rating Certificate no later than July 3, 2024.

6. ENTRY AND FEES

- 6.1 To become an entrant in the race, skippers must complete an [Online Entry Form](#) and pay all fees by the entry deadline. The date stamp of the online entry will be your entry date once payment is completed.
- 6.2 The Early Entry Fee is \$75 if received by July 1, 2024.
- 6.3 The Entry Fee is \$100 if received after July 1 and before the entry deadline.
- 6.4 **The final entry deadline is 1800 hours, Friday, July 5, 2024. Entries submitted after this deadline will be deemed not received.**
- 6.5 If an entry is cancelled or withdrawn prior to July 1, 2024 the entry fee, less a 7% processing fee, will be refunded. After that date no refunds will be made.

7. COMPETITORS MEETING

- 7.1 There will be no competitor's meeting.

8. FLEETS & CLASSES

- 8.1 PHRF and Cruising boats will each have their own fleet and both fleets will be divided into classes based upon the type and number of entries.
- 8.2 One-Design classes, if established, will compete in the PHRF fleet.
- 8.3 Where the OA receives fewer than 5 entries for a Class, the RC reserves the right to reassign those boats to another Class.
- 8.4 Entries that desire to establish a One-Design class should contact the OA by June 15, 2024.
- 8.5 Cruising fleet entries may be split into spinnaker and non-spinnaker classes depending upon the type and number of entries.
- 8.6 Non-Spinnaker offsets will be used for the Cruising Class entries who enter as Non-Spinnaker.
- 8.7 Class breaks and assignments will be posted on the [Official Notice Board](#).
- 8.8 Multihull boats are invited to participate in this race. Multihulls will have their own fleet if established with a minimum of 3 entries.

9. COURSE AND START AREA

- 9.1 This is an Offwind Course Rating (OWC) race.
- 9.2 The start line will be defined in the Sailing Instructions and will be located just offshore of the Seal Beach Pier between the RC Signal Boat and a flag.
- 9.3 All boats shall leave the San Juan Whistle Buoy at Dana Point (Mark W) to port.
- 9.4 The finish line shall be defined in the Sailing Instructions and will be located at a green lighted buoy, "G1" (FLG 2.5 sec.) at approximately 33°27.10' N by 117°41.90' W.

10. SCORING PENALTY

- 10.1 US Sailing Prescriptions Appendix V will apply.

11. SCORING

- 11.1 Overall results will be calculated using the boat's PHRF OWC rating and the overall winner will be the PHRF Fleet boat with the lowest PHRF corrected time.
- 11.2 Results for all other Classes will be calculated using the PHRF OWC rating, ORCA rating or RC assigned rating.

12. RISK STATEMENT

12.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

13. INSURANCE

13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid watercraft liability insurance policy in an amount not less than \$300,000 personal injury and personal property damage of \$100,000.

14. PRIZES

14.1 Trophy presentations will be at DPYC following racing. The Keith Morgan Memorial Dana Point Race Best Boat PHRF Corrected Time Trophy will be awarded.

14.2 Take home trophies will be awarded in customary numbers to all classes, as well as, to the First Overall PHRF boat.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

15.1 At both clubs, a **limited number** of slips will be available as first come / first served, based on regatta entry date. **Early entry improves your chances of obtaining a slip.**

15.2 After registration, for slip requests please contact:

15.2.1 SLBYC Port Captain, Miquel Corelli at (562) 833-3296 or corellicoastal@gmail.com.

15.2.2 DPYC Port Captain at port@dpyc.org or DPYC office at 949.496.2900.

15.3 Upon arrival in Alamitos Bay, SLBYC can be contacted on VHF 71 for berthing assignment. Restrooms and showers are available.

15.4 Confirmed reservations at DPYC will be given slip assignments prior to the event date.

15.5 The DPYC facilities will be available for use by skippers, crew and guests throughout the weekend. If necessary a dock gate key will be available from the Port Captain with a \$50 refundable deposit.

Dining at Seal Beach: Seal Beach Yacht Club will offer dinner on Friday night. Please call SLBYC at (562) 594-6337 to make reservations.

Dana Point Yacht Club Hours: Saturday – 11AM to 9PM Sunday – 11AM to 8PM

Saturday – Full bar service and dinner will be available.

Sunday – Brunch, dinner and full bar service will be available.

Trophy presentations are planned following racing on Saturday at approximately 6PM depending upon wind conditions of the race. All racers and their guests are invited.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Questions regarding the Notice of Race, Entry, Eligibility or Sailing Instructions, including interpretations of published rules and amendments, must be submitted in writing to the OA at race@dpyc.org.



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