



SOCAL 300 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Santa Barbara Yacht Club & San Diego Yacht Club
June 3 - 5, 2021

1. RULES

- 1.1. All boats will be governed by the *rules* as described in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS),
- 1.2. All boats are required to monitor VHF Ch. 16 for the duration of the race.
- 1.3. **All boats are encouraged to reference the Notice of Race section 1 – RULES, section 6 – SAFETY, and section 7 – POSITION TRANSPONDER for rules changes in effect while racing.**
- 1.4. RRS 55.3 Sheeting Sails is modified to allow the use of whisker poles or outriggers attached to the hull for the purpose of setting asymmetrical sails. This modifies Offshore Racing Rule regulation 10.05 (g) Per RRS 87, ORR has issued OA permission to make this change.
- 1.5. RRS 62 Redress: RRS 62.1 is modified by adding the following: “(e) being directed by a government authority to deviate from her proper course.”
- 1.6. US Sailing prescriptions to RRS 63.2 does not apply.
- 1.7. RRS 64.1, Penalties and Exoneration, is modified by adding: (d) 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.”

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board online (www.offshoreraceweek.com).
- 2.2. Changes to the SIs:
Any change to the SI made prior to 1800, May 29, 2021 will be posted to the official notice board online. Any change to the SI made after 1800, May 29, 2021 will be announced at the skippers meeting and then posted to the official notice board online.

3. POSITION TRANSPONDER

- 3.1. Per NOR 7.4, required position transponders will be available Wednesday, June 2, 1600 – 2000 and Thursday, June 3, at the conclusion of the 0900 skippers brief @ Santa Barbara Yacht Club. Boats competing in previous events of the 2021 California Offshore Race Week will reuse their assigned trackers from the previous races.
- 3.2. After the race, transponders should be dropped off at the SDYC Sailing Office or Front Desk between 0900 and 1700, or SDYC Security Gate prior to Sunday, June 6, 2021. If for any reason you are unable to complete the race and return to a port other than San Diego, please return the tracker by mail no later than June 12, 2021 to *San Diego Yacht Club, 1011 Anchorage Lane, San Diego, CA 92106, Attn: Sailing Office.*



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4. SCHEDULE

Divisions, Flags, and Scheduled start times are as follows:

| Division(s) | Division Signal | Warning Time |
|-------------|---------------------|--------------|
| E & EZ | Numeral Pennant '1' | 1255 |
| D | Numeral Pennant '2' | 1310 |
| C & MH | Numeral Pennant '3' | 1325 |
| B | Numeral Pennant '4' | 1340 |
| A | Numeral Pennant '5' | 1355 |

6. CHECK-IN

Check in will be via attendance at the Skippers meeting at SBYC at 0900 on Thursday, June 3, 2021.

7. MARKS

| Mark | Mark Description |
|---------|--|
| Start | Marks "G" and "X" as white cylinder s w/ yellow reflective markings |
| A | White cylinder buoy w/ yellow tetrahedron attached |
| Islands | Santa Rosa Island to starboard, Santa Cruz Island to port |
| ODAS | Waypoint @ 32 23.30n / 119 31.50w = ODAS 46047 buoy in vicinity |
| SD | Waypoint @ 32 37.33n / 117 14.75w = SD Approach Buoy in vicinity |
| Finish | Waypoints @ 32 39.137n / 117 13.635w = SD Channel Buoy "5" and @ 32 39.153n / 117 13.486w = SD Channel Buoy "SD 6" in vicinity |

- NOTE: ODAS Weather Buoy 46047 swings on a radius approx. 0.7 nm around listed waypoint. The buoy is listed for visual reference only and is NOT a mark of the course.
- NOTE: Buoys SD 1, 5 and 6 swing on a radius approx. 0.1 nm around listed waypoints. These buoys are listed for visual reference only and are NOT marks of the course.

8. THE COURSE – SEE ATTACHMENT B –

8.1. The SoCal 300 start will be in the vicinity of Point Castillo and Santa Barbara Yacht Club.

- Start per SI 10
- Leave "Mark A" to port (for reference only: approx. 34 23.229n / 119 43.167w)
- Pass between Santa Rosa Island and Santa Cruz Island
- Leave waypoint for ODAS Buoy to port
- Leave waypoint for SD Approach to port
- Finish between waypoint SD Channel Buoy 5 to port and SD Channel Buoy "SD 6" to starboard



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9. AREAS OF POTENTIAL CONCERN

- 9.1. The RC strongly urges boats to consult the preamble to RRS Part 2 and all current applicable navigation charts, Local Notices to Mariners and Light Lists for Aids to Navigation to prudently navigate around and past the features of this course.
- 9.2. It is reported that the starting area Mark G is in 37' of water, and Mark X is in 52' of water. Please consult relevant navigational charts and boat instrumentation when navigating in the vicinity of the start area.
- 9.3. Approximately 13 miles offshore after the start, all vessels will be crossing the Traffic Separation Scheme which controls traffic for LA Harbor – inbound/outbound deep draft commercial vessels. It is critical not to interfere with their course or interrupt their operation. See NOR 1.3.
- 9.4. San Nicholas Island is a designated US Naval weapons testing range. There may be military exercises planned for this area, and if so, an alternate course will be announced as soon as it is determined. Additionally, sea state, coastal features and underwater obstructions should be taken into consideration for prudent navigation and safety of vessels in this area.
- 9.5. San Clemente Island is a designated US Naval weapons testing range. There may be military exercises planned for this area, and if so, an alternate course will be announced as soon as it is determined. In addition, sea state, coastal features and underwater obstructions should be taken into consideration for prudent navigation and safety of vessels in this area.
- 9.6. Cortez Bank/Bishop Rock (CB 1) is a submerged pinnacle surrounded by open ocean. Shoal water may exist. Sea state, swell patterns, vessel dimensions and underwater obstructions should be taken into consideration for prudent navigation and safety of vessels in this area. Please transit this area with caution.
- 9.7. The finish line (approximately San Diego Channel markers “5” and “6”) are due east of significant kelp growth. Please navigate responsibly when approaching the finish area.

10. THE START

- 10.1. The starting line will be between physical Mark G and Mark X, located outside the Santa Barbara Harbor breakwater. See Attachment A for approximate reference coordinates and positioning. The RC will be sighting the line from the clubhouse on shore.
- 10.2. The warning signal for each class shall be her class designator pennant as described in SI section 5, flown from the yardarm on the upper deck of Santa Barbara YC.
- 10.3. As a courtesy, the RC will attempt to hail any boat it identifies as OCS via VHF 69. Failure to make a hail or failure of communications equipment will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

11. THE FINISH

- 11.1. A boat's YB Tracker will automatically transmit a lat/lon and PST time when it crosses the finish line. This data will be used to determine a boat's finish time. [NP/DP]
- 11.2. Boats are required to document the time they pass through the finish per SI 15.1.



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12. WITHDRAWAL

- 12.1. A boat retiring from the race, or experiencing any type of critical mechanical or medical emergency that could affect their anticipated time on the course, or require assistance after finishing shall notify the RC via email (email sailing@sdyc.org and sdycsailing@gmail.com) of their situation as soon as as practical. Please include nature of withdraw, status of crew, destination and eta. [NP/DP]
- 12.2. If an email is not possible, please notify the SDYC Sailing Office (619-758-6310) or the Security Gate (619-758-6322) at the earliest opportunity. Also please reference SI 3.2 for returning race tracker.

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1. Hearing Request forms will be available on the notice board at SDYC located on the east side (facing the water) of the Sailing Center and the online notice board at www.offshoreraceweek.com. Score inquires, protests and requests for redress shall be delivered in writing (or emailed via txt/photo of same) to the Sailing Center (email protests@sdyc.org and sdycsailing@gmail.com) within the appropriate time limit.
- 13.2. Scoring Inquiries, Notices of protests and requests for redress filed will be posted and updated as quickly as possible to inform boats of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Dockside room located on the first floor of the Sailing Center at SDYC, and may be heard as soon as the *parties* are available.
- 13.3. Notices of protest by the RC or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 13.4. The protest time limit for each boat is 4 hours after their finish. This changes RRS 61.3.
- 13.5. A request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the party was informed of the decision. This changes RRS 66.

14. SCORING

- 14.1. All boats will be scored using the TCF numbers derived from the California Offshore Wind Matrix, using the boats' valid 2021 ORA certificates.
- 14.2. ORR-EZ and ORR-MH boats will be scored in class only and are not eligible for Overall honors. All other boats' overall score will be her position, based on corrected time figured using the time on time method, utilizing the TCF number for the boat.

15. DOCUMENTATION

- 15.1. Boats are required to legibly document the time/position to satisfy the rounding of the virtual points for ODAS, SD 1 and the finish with a photo or screen shot of boat navigation equipment showing Pacific Daylight Time (from GPS), and simultaneously the lat/lon of their boat at that point. This image shall be emailed to sailing@sdyc.org and sdycsailing@gmail.com as soon as possible, but no later than two (2) hours after finishing. Please be sure to include the Boat Name in the subject line of your email. ***Please turn flash off, and review your pictures to ensure the flash on the screen does not obscure the required information if you forget.***



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- 15.2. If after 2 hours after finishing, email or text is still unavailable, please either stop by the SDYC Sailing Office in person, or call the SDYC Sailing Office at 619-758-6310 and leave a voicemail with the following information: **caller name and phone number, boat name, sail number, finish time.** Remember to speak slowly and clearly and repeat your contact number. Boats failing to supply finishing times will be given interpolated times from the tracker, or may not be scored. Dropped calls, poor connections or wrong numbers may affect your finish time.
- 15.3. In the event of a significant discrepancy between a boat's reported finish time compared with that reported by the YB Tracker, a competitor may file a scoring inquiry. It will be up to the discretion of the RC in conjunction with the Protest Committee (PC) to determine the finish time to be used. Evidence may be requested which may include but is not limited to; A boat's navigation software log file, testimony or evidence from other boats, race tracker or AIS logs, etc. This applies to any of the finishes at any scoring gate.
- 15.4. See SI 3.2 for instructions on returning your supplied race tracker.

16. PRIZES

- 16.1. The Offshore Race Week & SoCal 300 Awards ceremony day/time will be announced at the skippers meeting for the SoCal300 race, and will be based on the weather forecast and anticipated finish times.
- 16.2. Take home trophies will be awarded as described in the NOR.

17. DISCLAIMER

- 17.1. No claim is made or implied that observance of these safety requirements will prevent injury, death, or loss of property. Neither the establishment of these safety regulations, their use by race organizers, nor the inspection or absence of inspection of a boat for compliance with these safety regulations in any way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the person in charge, as per RRS 46, who shall ensure that the boat is seaworthy and manned by an experienced crew with sufficient ability and experience to face bad weather. S/he shall be satisfied as to the soundness of hull, spars, rigging, sails and all gear. S/he shall ensure that all safety equipment is at all times properly maintained and safely stowed and that the crew knows where it is kept and how it is to be used." See USSER 1.2.



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Attachment A - SoCal 300 Start Area



Approximate location for
Start Area Marks
For reference only

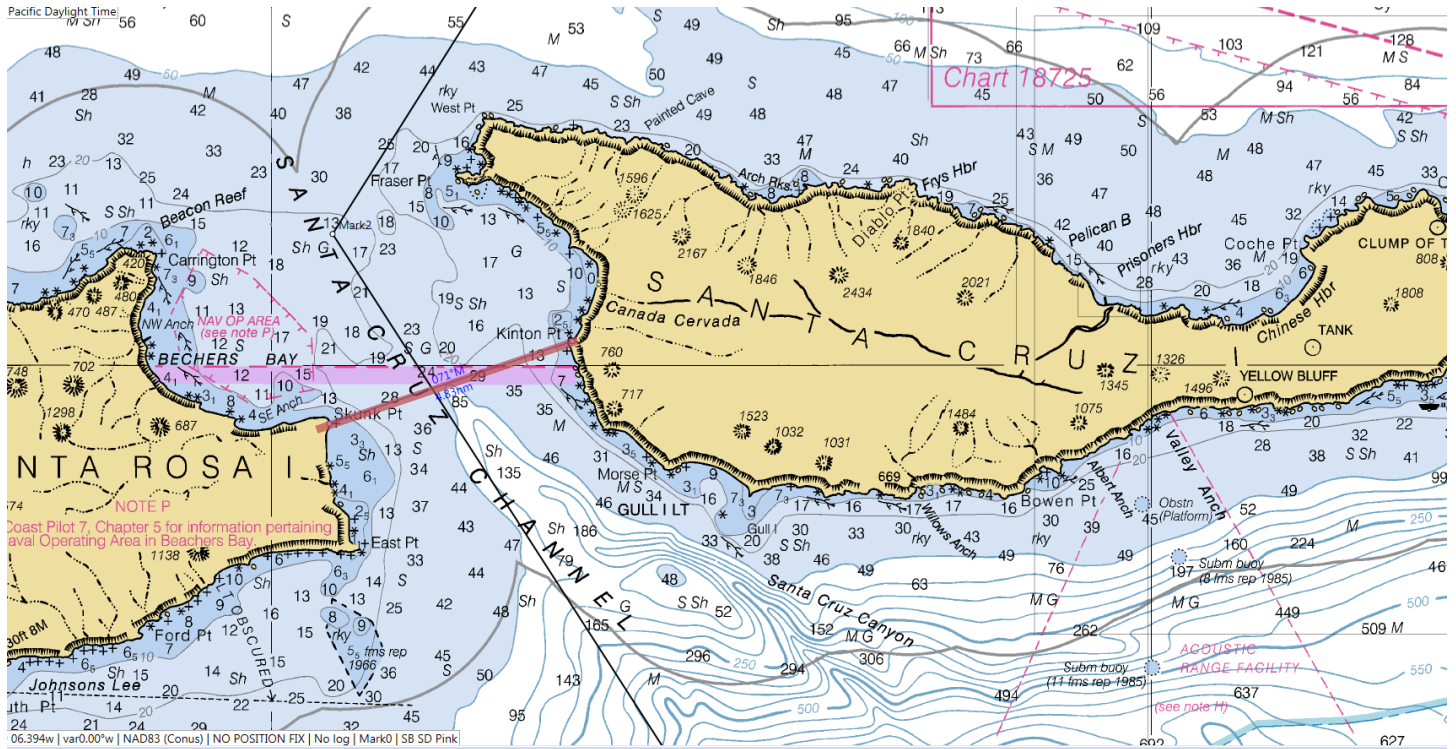
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A: N34 23.229 W119 43.167



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Attachment B – Islands Detail





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Attachment B – Finish Detail

