

2019 Newport to Ensenada Race (N2E) April 26-28, 2019

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

*The notation **[DP]** in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation **[NP]** in a rule means this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat.*

1. GENERAL **[NP]**

- 1.1 Newport Ocean Sailing Association (NOSA) is the organizing authority (OA) for the 2019 Newport to Ensenada Race (Ensenada Race).
- 1.2 NOSA address: P.O. Box 7485, Newport Beach, CA 92658; website: www.nosa.org
- 1.3 NOSA Telephone is 949-644-1023.
- 1.4 Race Headquarters in Ensenada, Mexico is located at the Hotel Coral, Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico and commences operations at 2000, April 26, 2019. Hotel Coral telephone +52 646-175-0000; Hotel Coral telephone from USA 800-862-9020
- 1.5 PHRF of Southern California (PHRF) is the Rating Authority (RA) for monohulls.
- 1.6 Ocean Racing Catamaran Association (ORCA) is the Rating Authority (RA) for multihulls.
- 1.7 The term Skipper as used herein is defined as the person, whether or not the owner of the boat, who is designated on the entry form, and for the purpose of RRS 46, is the person in charge as it relates to the Racing Rules of Sailing or any matters related to the Ensenada Race. The Skipper is responsible for the boat, its handling and safety, the conduct of its crew before, during, and after the race, and compliance with the rules.

2. RULES

- 2.1 The race will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), as modified by the NOR.
- 2.2 The Prescriptions of the national authority apply, as modified in the NOR.
- 2.3 The US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER) Coastal Category will apply, as modified in the NOR.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Prior to the first start, Notices to Competitors will be posted on the NOSA website at www.nosa.org
- 3.2 After the last start, Notices to Competitors will be posted on the NOSA website, www.nosa.org, and on either the Official Race Results Board located at Race Headquarters at the Hotel Coral in Ensenada, Mexico or the Protest Notice Board adjacent to the Official Race Results Board or both.

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on www.nosa.org.

5. YB TRACKERS

- 5.1 Each boat shall carry a YB Tracker (active position transponder) as supplied by NOSA. The YB Tracker shall be on and functioning while a boat is racing.
- 5.2 YB Trackers will be available at the Skipper Packet pickup times and locations.
- 5.3 Turn in your YB Tracker at Headquarters in Ensenada or to a listed return site. Additional return site information will be included with each tracker. All YB Trackers must be returned by Thursday, May 2, 2019.
- 5.4 Boats are responsible for returning the YB Tracker in working order. Broken or lost transponders may be subject to replacement/damage charge of up to £650 (approximately \$850 USD).
- 5.5 The Race Committee may use the YB Tracker data to resolve any issues regarding finish times.
- 5.6 YB Tracking will not provide tracking data after the race. Signal tracking will be turned off at 11:00 am on Sunday, April 28, 2019.

6. CLASS DIVISIONS AND IDENTIFICATION FLAGS

- 6.1 Class Breaks, Starting Assignments and Class Flag information will be posted on www.nosa.org.
- 6.2 While in the starting area and while racing, each boat shall fly her class identification flag from the backstay, at least six (6) feet above the deck.

7. SCHEDULE OF RACE

- 7.1 The warning signal, for the two first start classes, will be at 1055 on Friday, April 26, 2019.
- 7.2 To alert boats that a sequence will begin soon, the race committee will display the orange starting line flags with one sound at least five minutes before the first warning signal.
- 7.3 All subsequent starts are at ten (10) minute intervals until all classes have started.

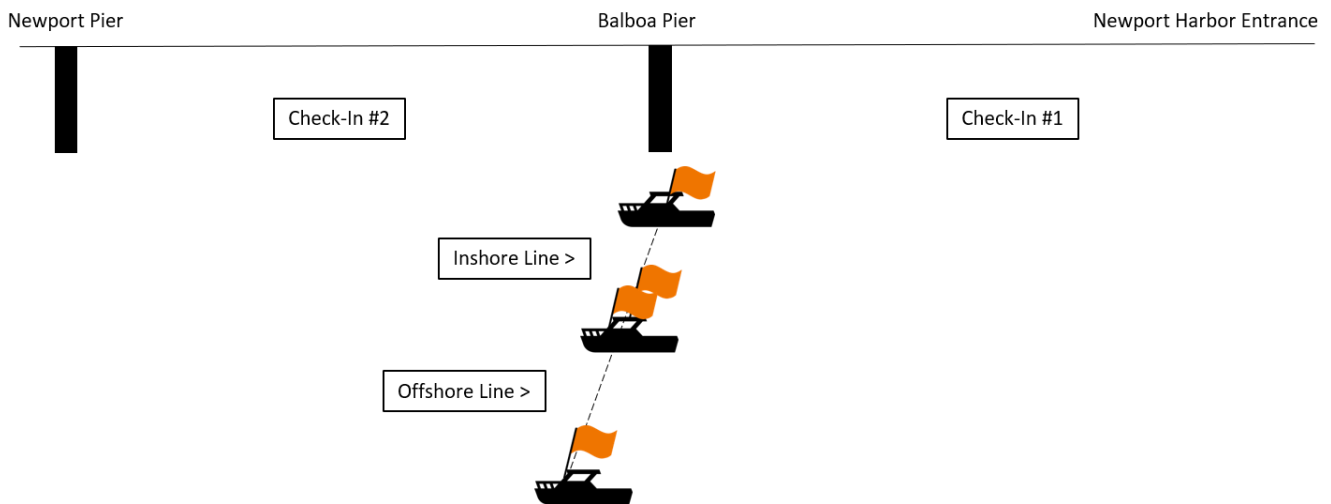
8. COURSE

- 8.1 The race will start off the Balboa Pier in Newport Beach, CA., USA and finish off the Hotel Coral Marina in Ensenada, Baja, Mexico.
- 8.2 For scoring purposes, the handicap distance is 125 nautical miles.

9. CHECK-IN

- 9.1 As shown below, there will be two Check-in vessels; Vessel #1 will be at approximate GPS coordinates 33° 36.052 N and 117° 55.103 W. Vessel #2 will be at approximate GPS coordinates 33° 35.621 N and 117° 53.492 W
- 9.2 Each entrant must pass close-by one of the check-in boats and hail the boat's SAIL NUMBER, BOAT NAME and the NUMBER OF PEOPLE ON BOARD to a Check-in vessel and obtain a verbal acknowledgement by return hail from the Check-In vessel.
- 9.3 A boat that fails to Check-In as described above, may be protested by the Race Committee and may be penalized by having sixty (60) minutes added to her elapsed time by the Protest Committee following a hearing. This constitutes the "other penalty" in rule 64.1 for a breach of SI 9.

10. THE START



- 10.1 As shown above, the starting area will be located to seaward and westerly of the end of the Balboa Pier, Newport Beach, CA at approximate GPS coordinates in degrees, minutes and decimal minutes 33.35.810 N and 117.54.400 W.
- 10.2 There are two separate starting lines designated the “INSHORE LINE” and the “OFFSHORE LINE” as shown above.
- 10.3 The two starting lines will be identified with orange flags on staffs attached to the start line vessels.
- 10.4 All boats whose warning signal have not been made shall stay clear of the starting area during starting sequences for other classes. A boat failing to stay clear may be protested by the Race Committee and may be penalized by having a sixty (60) minute time penalty added to her elapsed time by the Protest Committee following a hearing. This constitutes the “other penalty” in rule 64.1 for a breach of SI 10.
- 10.5 A boat that does not start shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible at (949) 644-1023. Failure to report not starting may be cause for her entry rejection from future race participation under rule 76.1.

11. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 11.1 NOSA will attempt to broadcast information on VHF Channel 6 regarding class starts, countdown times, other Race Signals, and any special emergency announcements before and during the starts. Channel 68 will be used if Channel 6 is not working. **[NP]**
- 11.2 During all starting sequences, boats shall not transmit over these channels, or attempt to contact the Race Committee on any other channel.
- 11.3 Failure of any radio announcement shall not constitute grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

12. RECALLS

- 12.1 The Race Committee will attempt to notify recalled boats by hailing their sail numbers over VHF channel 6 (or 68). Failure of a boat to see or hear her recall notification shall not relieve her of her

obligation to start correctly and shall not be grounds for redress. A boat's position in the sequence of hailed numbers or broadcast numbers shall not be grounds for redress.

- 12.2 A boat that does not start properly will be penalized at least sixty (60) minutes of elapsed time after a protest hearing. This changes rule A4.2 and constitutes the relevant "other penalty" in rule 64.1.

13. THE FINISH



- 13.1 The Finish Line is located seaward of the Hotel Coral Marina.
- 13.2 The Finish Line will be between the Offshore inflatable mark and an orange flag on a staff on the Race Committee finish platform on the breakwater. The offshore mark will be located at GPS 31° 51.540'N 116° 39.705'W and shall be kept to starboard. The inshore mark, a passing mark, will be located approximately 220 feet shoreward of the offshore mark and shall be left to port.
- 13.3 The Race Committee will display a flashing white signal light on the offshore buoy during the hours of darkness. **[NP]**
- 13.4 A boat, when an estimated thirty (30) minutes from finishing, shall contact the race committee on the VHF Channel 68, giving her position and finish ETA. And continue to monitor that channel until she has finished.
- 13.5 When finishing at night or during hours of reduced visibility, a boat shall illuminate her sails and sail numbers as she approaches and crosses the finish line.
- 13.6 After finishing, each boat shall sail well clear and stay well clear of the finish line. A boat that fails to do so may be protested by the Race Committee and may be assigned a thirty (30) minute time

penalty by the Protest Committee following a hearing. This constitutes the “other penalty” in rule 64.1 for a breach of this rule.

- 13.7 Boats reporting retirement or acceptance of a Scoring Penalty (see SI 15) at the Finish Line shall stand by and hail the Race Committee, while staying well clear of the Finish Line.

14. TIME LIMIT

- 14.1 Boats failing to finish by 1100, Sunday, April 28, 2019, will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes rule 35.

- 14.2 Any boat that *starts* but retires before *finishing* shall report her retirement as soon as possible, but in no case later than 1100, Sunday, April 28, 2019 by using at least one of the following methods:

- (1) Informing the Race Committee at the Finish Line
- (2) Notifying Race Headquarters by radio (Channel 16)
- (3) In person at Hotel Coral, Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico
- (4) Calling NOSA at 949-644-1023.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 The Two-Turns Penalty and One-Turn Penalty in rule 44.1 are replaced with an Elapsed Time penalty. The penalty will be 10% of a boat’s Elapsed Time, added to her Elapsed Time for each incident.

- 15.2 Boats protested and found by the Protest Committee following a hearing to have broken a rule for equipment or safety violation under US Safety Equipment Regulations (USSER) or US Coast Guard (USCG) requirements, shall be penalized. The Protest Committee will apply a minimum of ten (10) minutes added to the boat’s recorded elapsed time, up to a maximum of disqualification (DSQ) for each found violation. This changes constitutes the “other penalty” in rule 64.1 for a breach of these rules.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 The Protest Committee and Protest Committee Hearings in Ensenada will be located at the Hotel Coral.

- 16.2 Protest forms are available at Race Headquarters at Hotel Coral, Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within two (2) hours of the protesting boat’s finish time. This changes rule 61.3.

- 16.3 Protests and Requests for Redress hearings may be heard starting at 1400 on Saturday, April 27, 2019, in the Protest Room located at the Hotel Coral, Ensenada. Protests and Requests for Redress not heard on Saturday, April 27, 2019 will be heard starting promptly at 0900 on Sunday April 28, 2019, in the Protest Room, normally in the order received.

- 16.4 Notices of protests will be posted on the Protest Notice Board adjacent to the Official Race Results Board located at Race Headquarters. Scheduled times for the hearings, sail numbers of the protested boats will be posted on the Protest Notice Board.

- 16.5 It is the responsibility of competitors to observe the posted Notices of Protest maintained on the Protest Notice Board. Protest posting on the Protest Notice Board meets the requirements of notification of rule 61.1(a)(1), and rule 61.1(b), and rule 61.1(c). Protest hearings shall proceed at or as close as is possible to the scheduled hearing time.

16.6 All protests and requests for redress received within the protest time limit but after 1300 on Sunday, April 28, 2019 will be treated as a Late Protest. The Late Protest shall be postmarked or timestamped within twenty-four (24) hours of the time the protesting boat reaches port, but in any event, no later than two (2) days after the time limit for the race. Mail Late Protests to: NOSA, PO Box 7485, Newport Beach, CA 92658. Late Protests will be heard beginning at 1400 at Balboa Yacht Club, Corona Del Mar, CA, on Sunday, May 5, 2019.

17. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 17.1 A boat and/or its equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the US Safety Equipment Regulations (USSER). After finishing, a boat may be inspected by a member(s) of the Race Committee either on the water, at a dock or slip, or at a designated inspection area.
- 17.2 Notwithstanding any other penalties already specified in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions, the Protest Committee may, after a hearing, assess additional penalties up to and including disqualification.

18. EVENT ADVERTISING

Any NOSA-supplied 2019 race participation flags shall be flown in accordance with instructions provided in the NOSA Skipper Packet. **[DP]**

19. PRIZES

- 19.1 NOSA will present Perpetual Trophies as listed in the NOR.
- 19.2 NOSA will present take-home trophies based on the number of entries in each start class as listed in the NOR.

20. ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR CRUZ CLASSES

Paragraphs 21 through 26 apply only to CRUZ Class boats.

21. CRUZ CLASS ENGINE USE

- 21.1 An engine may be used for charging batteries, pumping bilges or supplying power for weighing anchor or refrigeration while the boat's transmission is not engaged. In addition, CRUZ Class participants may use an engine for propulsion within the limitations stated below.
- 21.2 During the race, motoring time, defined as propulsion time with the transmission engaged, shall only happen between 2000h (8 PM) and 0800h (8AM).
- 21.3 During motoring time, a boat's speed in knots may not exceed its hull speed. Hull speed is defined as $1.34 \times \text{Square Root (LWL)}$, where "LWL" is the length of the waterline in feet.

22. RECORDING REQUIREMENTS

- 22.1 The skipper shall record on the CRUZ Class Engine Log both the GPS Latitude and Longitude position of the boat (to the second decimal place of a minute) and the GPS time (to the nearest second) on each occasion when motoring time began and ended.
- 22.2 **A minimum of 30 minutes shall be recorded for each episode of motoring time.**
- 22.3 Record the total motoring time in **MINUTES**.

23. FILING THE 2019 NOSA CRUZ CLASS ENGINE LOG

- 23.1 Each CRUZ Class participant that finishes shall file a CRUZ Class Engine Log, **even if the engine is not used**. The CRUZ Class Engine Log will be included in the Skipper's Packet. The CRUZ Class Engine Log must be submitted at NOSA Race Headquarters in Ensenada within four (4) hours of the boat's finish time, or by 1200 on Sunday, April 28, 2019, whichever is earlier.
- 23.2 A CRUZ Class boat failing to correctly complete and file her CRUZ Class Engine Log, may be protested by the Race Committee and may be penalized up to Disqualification (DSQ) by the Protest Committee following a hearing.
- 23.3 ENGINE USE IMPACT ON FINAL CORRECTED TIME - An Adjustment equal to (MOTORING-TIME * 0.40 * Square Root (LWL)) will be added to the Corrected Time to produce a Final Corrected Time.

24. CRUZ CLASS PERMITTED EQUIPMENT

- 24.1 Whisker poles may be used and are limited in length to 1.4 times the "J" measurement.
- 24.2 Double headsails, double head rigs, and multi-mast vessels are allowed.
- 24.3 Powered winches are allowed. This changes rule 52.

25. OTHER CRUZ CLASS REQUIREMENTS AND INFORMATION

- 25.1 Competitors in the CRUZ Classes are reminded that under the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREGs) that they are required to exhibit a white masthead light aloft when under power.
- 25.2 The U.S. SAILING or foreign National Authority or Class sail number may be displayed from the lifelines. If so displayed, they shall be displayed on both sides of the boat aft of the mainmast in a visible location. Minimum height of letters/numbers shall be 300mm (12 inches). This changes rule G1.1.
- 25.3 CRUZ Class boats finishing while in motoring time shall have the mainsail raised. A boat failing to have the mainsail raised may be protested by the Race Committee and may be penalized by having sixty (60) minutes added to her elapsed time by the Protest Committee following a hearing. This constitutes the "other penalty" in rule 64.1 for a breach of this rule.

26. CRUZ CLASS PHRF NON-SPINNAKER OFFSET

The PHRF Non-Spinnaker Offset shall be added only to boats racing in one of the Non-Spinnaker CRUZ classes. The Race Rating for a boat racing in a Non-Spinnaker CRUZ class shall be the PHRF Base OWC Rating + PHRF Non-Spinnaker Offset.

27. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid combined single limit watercraft liability insurance in an amount not less than \$300,000 USD.

28. DISCLAIMER

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.