

Round the Rocks Race

Saturday, April 13, 2019

Sailing Instructions, amended 4/10/2019

*Refer also to the SSS Notice of Race (NOR)
and Standing Sailing Instructions*



Use VHF Radio Channel 72

CLASSES

There will be Singlehanded and Doublehanded divisions in this race, divided into the classes listed below. For monohulls, we will split the singlehanded starts from the doublehanded starts, with the exception of the Express 27 fleet that wants to sail as one.

SKIPPERS' MEETING AND ENTRY DEADLINE

There will be a skippers' meeting on Wednesday April 10th at 7:30 pm at the Oakland Yacht Club. This meeting is the deadline for entering the race.

AWARDS PRESENTATION

There will be an awards presentation on Wednesday, May 8 at 7:30 pm at a location TBD (most likely, Island Yacht Club). This will double as a skipper's meeting for the Singlehanded Farallones Race.

STARTING TIMES AND SIGNALS

The first warning signal is scheduled for 1025. The Class Flags are listed below. The Race Committee intends to start classes as shown, and further intends to announce each starting sequence on VHF 72. Note NOR 12d, which states "If flag L is displayed, the Race Committee may omit any or all other visual and/or sound signals while conducting the start verbally on the designated VHF radio channel.

Flag	Class	Estimated Warning Signal
C	Multihulls	10:25
D	Singlehanded Sportboats & Singlehanded PHRF 159 & Under	10:30
E	Singlehanded PHRF 162 & Over, & Singlehanded Non-Spinnaker	10:35
F	Express 27, Singlehanded & Doublehanded	10:40
G	Doublehanded Sportsboats	10:45
H	Doublehanded PHRF 108 & Under	10:50
J	Doublehanded PHRF 111 to 159	10:55
K	Doublehanded PHRF 162 & over, & Doublehanded Non-Spinnaker	11:00

START

The starting line is between an orange marker on the committee boat and buoy G-OC on the Berkeley Circle (approx. lat, long: N37 52.5, W122 22.7). The committee boat shall be left to starboard. The committee boat may set a limiting mark near itself, which shall be considered part of the committee boat. If buoy G-OC is missing, an inflatable mark will be substituted in its place. Note NOR Rule 12b, which states that a boat starting later than 30 minutes after her start shall be scored DNS.

COURSE

From the Start, to Alcatraz Island ("The ROCK"), leaving it to starboard, thence to Harding ROCK buoy (RG "HR" Fl (2+1) R6s), leaving it to starboard, thence to The Brothers (ROCKS), leaving them to Starboard, thence to Red ROCK, leaving it to port, thence to the Finish.

Note NOR/SSI Rule 13, Restricted Areas, section (b) (viii), which defines a restricted area surrounding the Richmond Long Wharf. For reference, boats shall not pass between the Richmond Long Wharf and a line connecting buoy R "2CR" Fl R 4s marking Castro Rocks, buoy R "2" Q R (approx. 0.4 nm WSW of the Wharf), buoy G "3" Fl G 4s (approx. 0.3 nm S of the Wharf) and the Richmond shore northeast of G "3".

FINISH

The finish line is between a red or orange marker on the Richmond Yacht Club race platform and buoy G "7" Fl G 4s in Point Potrero Reach, leaving the buoy to starboard.

CHECK IN

Each boat shall check in on VHF radio channel 72 prior to the first warning signal. **A check-in is incomplete until acknowledgment is received from the Race Committee. A boat that fails to check in before the first warning signal shall be scored DNS.**

REPORTING RETIREMENT

Any boat that retires from the race or does not finish within the time limit shall contact the Race Committee as soon as possible via VHF radio channel 72, or by leaving a message on the Race Committee Voice Mail below.

RACE DISTANCE

Approx. 19.3 nm.

TIME LIMIT

1830 on the day of the race.

RACE COMMITTEE VOICEMAIL

(866) SAIL SSS or 866-724-5777