



NOTICE OF RACE

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MARCH 19-25, 2021

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NEWPORT BEACH TO CABO SAN LUCAS INTERNATIONAL YACHT RACE

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY, DEFINITIONS, OFFICIAL NOTICES and TIME STANDARD

- 1.1. Newport Harbor Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority (“OA”) for the 2021 Newport Beach to Cabo San Lucas International Yacht Race (Cabo Race).
- 1.2. US Sailing is the Rating Authority (RA) for the Offshore Racing Rule (ORR) for all monohull boats.
- 1.3. US Sailing is the Rating Authority (RA) for the Offshore Racing Rule (ORR-MH) for all multihull boats.
- 1.4. The term Skipper as used herein is defined as the person, whether or not the owner of the boat, who is designated on the application for entry and if the boat is subsequently entered in the race, on the entry-form as “Skipper” and who is the person in charge of the boat during the 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.
- 1.5. The term Competitor as used herein is defined as any person who will be aboard an entered boat during the race. A boat’s crew is the full complement of Competitors including the Skipper.
- 1.6. The OA reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race. The OA will post amendments on the Official Notice Board on the race website. If appropriate, copies of amendments will be placed on a supplementary notice board at NHYC.
- 1.7. The Official Notice Board is a page bearing the same name on the race website, www.NHYCcaborace.com.
- 1.8. All times referenced are PDT - Pacific Daylight Savings Time [UTC-7] unless otherwise noted.

2. RULES and SAFETY EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1. The race will be governed by the *rules* as described in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including the US Sailing prescriptions; and



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2.2. For Monohulls and Multihulls, the appropriate [US Safety Equipment Requirements \(SER\) for Ocean Races, effective date: 2/8/2021, revision 2021.0](#) as modified by this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

2.3. Advertising on a boat shall comply with the requirements of [World Sailing Regulation 20 for Category A](#).

3. CHANGES TO THE RULES

3.1. The following changes apply to all boats.

3.1.1. [RRS Part 2, Rule 17 On the Same Tack; Proper Course](#) is replaced between the hours of local sunset and local sunrise by “When two boats are on the same tack and within three of the larger boat’s overall length of each other, the overtaking boat shall keep clear and neither boat shall alter course toward the other.”

3.1.2. [Rule 41](#) is changed to add: “e) Communications via phone or email with a yacht builder, designer or engineer when the integrity of the vessel is at stake is not a violation of the intent of rule 41, provided such communications are reported to the Race Committee within 4 hours of each occurrence.”

3.1.3. [Deleted](#).

3.1.4. [RRS 51, Movable Ballast](#) is changed to allow for the movement of sails that are not set; however, all gear and sails not being flown must remain within a boat’s lifelines.

3.1.5. [RRS 51, Movable Ballast, and RRS 52 Manual Power](#) are changed to allow the positioning of movable ballast by power on boats as designed and as rated by the RA, provided however, that all movable ballast systems shall be capable of manual operation if powered systems are inoperable. [RSS 52](#) is further changed to allow power and stored energy for sail hoisting, trimming, and adjustment of running rigging for boats rated with those systems by the RA.

3.1.6. [RRS 55](#) is changed to allow for the use of biodegradable sail stops.

3.1.7. [RRS 62, Redress](#), is changed by adding the following: “(e) being directed by a Government Authority to deviate from her proper course.”

3.1.8. US Sailing [Prescriptions 63.2 and 63.4](#) are excluded and are not in effect.



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3.1.9. Per RRS 87, the OA intends to obtain written permission from US Sailing and the Offshore Racing Association, in regards to the following changes that will apply to boats competing in the ORR class:

3.1.9.1. ORR 4.02 will be modified to remove any limitation on crew weight.

3.1.9.2. ORR 10.02.1 will be modified to remove any limitation on the number of spinnakers and staysails that may be carried.

4. CHANGES TO SAFETY EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

4.1. Monohulls

4.1.1. SER 3.21 is deleted.

4.2. Multihulls

4.2.1. SER 3.21 is deleted.

5. **INSPECTIONS** - All boats are subject to US SER Regulation 1.3 – Inspection.

6. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT

6.1. All boats will be required to have the following communication equipment onboard while racing:

6.1.1. VHF 2-way radio and AIS Transponder, refer to SER 3.8.1 and 3.9;

6.1.2. Equipment able to send and receive e-mail while racing;

6.1.3. 3rd Party Race Tracker and Positioning Transponder, supplied by the OA;

6.1.4. Satellite telephone powered-on with Sat-Phone number supplied to the Race Committee.

6.2. Communication restrictions - RRS 41(c) – Outside Help, please review World Sailing Case 120.

7. ELIGIBILITY

7.1. Eligible ocean racing boats are:

7.1.1. Monohulls with a LOA \geq 38' or Multihulls with a LOA \geq 45', which also possess - or will deliver by the deadlines in NOR 8.3 - a valid 2021 ORR or ORR-MH rating certificate.

7.2. The OA's technical committee may review a yacht's eligibility or configuration limitations and make recommendations to the OA. The OA has the sole and absolute discretion with final authority to accept or reject a yacht's entry even though it may or may not meet the requirements of the NOR.

7.3. The minimum crew on any boat shall be four (4).



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7.4. Handicap Rating Certificates

7.4.1. Each boat shall have a valid rating certificate issued by her appropriate RA.

7.4.2. All boats must submit all data for changes to their rating certificate to the RA no later than Friday, January 29, 2021 by Noon (1200)

7.4.3. ORR and ORR-MH Handicap Ratings

7.4.3.1. Multihull ratings for Multihull handicap awards shall be based on the ORR Multihull rating rule, ORR-MH. Each multihull yacht shall have a valid ORR-MH rating certificate. The measurements, measurement procedures and certificate information required to generate and issue an ORR-MH certificate can be obtained by emailing: ora.rating.services@gmail.com

7.5. Insurance - The owner or charterer of a boat entered in the race shall hold a marine legal liability insurance policy with respect to the boat that is current when racing, with a sum insured of not less than \$500,000 USD.

7.6. Determination of Eligibility - A decision of the OA or by the Race Committee as to any matter listed in this NOR, including whether a boat or her crew meet the eligibility criteria for entry in the race, is final and binding and shall not be grounds for a request for redress.

8. ENTRY

8.1. Eligible boats may enter by completing the on-line entry form at www.NHYCcaborace.com and by paying the \$1,000 entry fee on or before 1/31/21 to avoid a \$250 late fee penalty.

8.1.1. No refund will be issued if a boat withdraws after 2/19/21.

8.1.2. No entry will be accepted after 1700 on 2/19/21.

8.2. Transponders will be used for daily position reports. Boats are not responsible for a rental fee, but are required to enter into a rental agreement with the service provider. A security deposit will be required and will be refunded in full upon return of the undamaged transponder.

8.3. Additional Entry Requirements:

Subject to acceptance of an entry by the OA, an applicant shall supply the following additional items to the OA by the due date indicated to have a valid entry.

RA Rating and OA Entry Requirement Deadlines:



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- Rating Information to the RA 1/29/21 1200
- Digital Photograph of the boat 2/19/21 1700
- Proof of Insurance 2/19/21 1700
- Rating Certificate to the OA 3/03/21 1200 (Noon)
- All Crew Entries – submitted electronically 3/12/21 1700
- Submit Emergency Contact info while afloat 3/12/21 1700

9. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Sailing Instructions 3/03/21 1700
- Provisional Class Breaks posted 3/03/21 1700
- Boat Check-In & Transponder Pick-up at NHYC *¹ 3/17/21 0900-1730
- Competitors' Meeting *² 3/17/21 1800
- ORR Provisional Start Day 1 3/19/21 1300
- ORR Provisional Start Day 2 3/20/21 1300
- Multihull Fleet Warning Signal 3/20/21 1330
- ORR Provisional Start Day 3 3/21/21 1300
- Trophy Presentation 3/25/21 1700

*¹ Each boat is required to have a representative check-in with the OA. A boat that fails to check-in is not eligible to race.

*² Each boat is required to have a representative attend the Competitors' Briefing

10. COURSE

The Cabo Race will start in the Pacific Ocean near Newport Beach, California, USA and finish in the Pacific Ocean near Cabo San Lucas, Baja California Sur, MEX. The rhumb line distance is approximately 800 nautical miles. The exact start and finish locations will be described in detail in the Sailing Instructions.



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11. CLASS BREAKS AND SCORING

- 11.1. Class breaks for each fleet will be published by 1700 on March 3, 2021.
- 11.2. A boat's corrected time will be calculated using the Time on Time scoring method with a boat's appropriate rating. The boat with the lowest corrected time in each division will be scored first and so on.
- 11.3. Boats competing in different fleets (i.e. ORR or ORR-MH) will not be scored against one another.

12. TROPHY PRESENTATION

- 12.1. A trophy presentation is scheduled for 1700 Thursday, March 25, 2021, in Cabo San Lucas.
- 12.2. One take-home trophy will be awarded to each of the first three finishers, scored on corrected time, in each division/class.
- 12.3. Perpetual Trophies
 - State of California Governor's Perpetual Trophy - First ORR boat on Elapsed Time
 - H. H. Ayres Perpetual Trophy. - Overall ORR Division winner on Corrected Time
 - Miguel Aleman Trophy - Winner of ORR Class A (corrected time)
 - The Mayor's Trophy - Winner of ORR Class B (corrected time)
 - NHYC Cabo San Lucas Race Trophy - Winner of ORR Class C (corrected time)
 - James Webster Gaboon - Winner of ORR Class D (corrected time)

13. DISCLAIMER

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this race participate entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The race organizers (OA, RA, Race Committee, Protest Committee, host clubs, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this race. By participating in this race, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.



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14. 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 via email at: nhyrc@gmail.com

For further information please contact:

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NOTICE OF RACE - ADDENDUM A:

MEDIA RIGHTS, RESTRICTIONS and ADVERTISING follows ...



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MEDIA RIGHTS AND RESTRICTIONS

- A. The conditions of entry include a requirement that the owner or charterer of the boat and all crew members:
- A.1. acknowledge that the OA owns all media rights to the Cabo Race and may exercise those rights as it sees fit; and
 - A.2. grant the OA the unconditional, perpetual right and authority to publish and broadcast anywhere in the world, for any purpose and in any media, the names, images, and biographical information relating to the crew and photographs, video footage, and audio recordings taken of the boat and its crew prior to, during, and after the race; and
 - A.3. acknowledge that there is a prohibition on the use of any form of positioning system, other than that supplied or authorized by the OA, for the purpose of posting a boat's position or other information to any internet site.
- B. Crew members of boats may, prior to, during, and after the race, speak or provide material to any media representatives accredited by the OA, regarding the race and the prospects, performance, or strategy of boats entered or participating in the race, subject to any comments and any material not undermining or interfering with, or having a detrimental impact on, the OA and its officers and employees, the RC, the protest committee, measurers, or current or former sponsors of the OA. The OA may revoke this approval with respect to a boat, any of its crew members, or a media representative at any time.
- C. Entrants must acknowledge and accept the media restrictions referred to herein on the entry form. Crew members must grant the rights referred to herein by signing a disclaimer and acknowledgement of rights form, as supplied by the OA.
- D. Any breach of these conditions may, at the discretion of the OA or RC, lead to the rejection of an application for entry, the cancellation of an entry, or the disqualification of a boat (see RRS 76.1). This does not limit the right of the OA to take any other action it sees fit to enforce compliance with these conditions.
- E. Yachts who intend to display advertising must so indicate on their entry forms and provide a brief description of the content. Per RRS 80, a boat and her crew shall comply with World Sailing Regulation 20. Advertising not compliant with World Sailing Regulation 20.2.4. (generally accepted ethical and moral standards) shall be grounds for the rejection of entry into the race.