

Notice of Race
2010 Long Island Sound Catalina Association (LISCA) Regatta
August 14, 2010

Racing Rules: U.S. Sailing's Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 will govern, except as amended by this Notice of Race, and as described in any LISCA sailing instructions.

Each skipper is encouraged to obtain and review this Notice of Race and the Racing Rules prior to the day of racing. A free copy of the Racing Rules may be downloaded from the US Sailing website at the following address: www.ussailing.org/rules/.

Changes To Rules: Subsequent rule changes will be announced at the skippers' meeting and repeated on channel 68 prior to the start of the race(s).

Divisions: The registered fleet will be divided up in to three divisions: Green (smaller boats), White (medium-sized boats), and Red (large boats) according to each yacht's size and/or PHRF rating. If there are three (3) or more yachts of the same one design class registered within a division, that class will also be scored and recognized as a separate class.

Eligibility: Any Catalina sailboat owner who is a member of LISCA or any of the national Catalina one-design classes may enter this regatta. LISCA members who own non Catalina-built yachts may participate in "Exhibition" status, and as such, will not be eligible for awards.

Timing: GPS Time will be used for all timing. Each race (3 races are planned) will take place on Saturday, August 14, 2010.

There will be a skippers' meeting on the deck at Setauket Yacht Club at 8:00 AM. This is the time where any last minute announcements will be made. There will be an 8:45 AM harbor start radio announcement on Channel 68, indicating when the Race Committee boat (RC) is leaving the mooring field for the race course. The races are scheduled to start at 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon, and 2:00 PM, with a maximum of 1 and 1/2 hours allowed for the first boat to finish. In other words, a race will be considered official as soon as one boat finishes prior to the expiration of the 1.5-hour time limit and the race will then continue until the other boats in the division finish or stop racing.

The Race Committee may cancel, postpone, abandon, shorten, or re-sail any race and will determine the number of races required to complete the regatta.

Racing Area: Rendezvous will be made approximately one mile east of the PJ Entrance near government mark GC "11". The race committee boat will be "on station" before the first warning signal. The Race Committee will utilize VHF Channel 68 to announce when they are on station at the starting area location.

Courses and Marks: A mix of SYC, Government and LISCA inflatable drop marks may be used. These will be described in the sailing instructions to be handed out at the skippers meeting. We may be able to make these available on the LISCA web site prior to the event.

Handicaps: The Race Committee will assign each yacht a handicap using current YRALIS PHRF handicaps. The base yacht is defined as a boat having non-roller furling sails, a folding or feathering prop, and jib with an LP of 150% to 155%. Larger jibs may be allowed, but with a handicap penalty determined by the Race Committee. All handicaps are applied to total mileage of race.

Additional time allowance will be given for each boat as follows:

Jibs from 140% to 149% LP: 3 seconds per mile

Jibs less than 140% LP: 6 seconds per mile

Two-bladed fixed prop: 6 seconds per mile

Three-bladed fixed prop: 10 seconds per mile

Roller furling jib: 10 seconds per mile

Furling main sail: 3 seconds per mile

Raised dodger: 5 seconds per mile

Whisker Pole Longer than LP 3 seconds per mile

Each crew member under age 15: 5 seconds per mile (this crew must be on board for all races)

A 5 second per mile PHRF penalty will be assessed on all boats that have won a LISCA divisional title since 2005. This penalty will be increased by an additional 3-second per mile penalty for each LISCA divisional title after that, but this penalty will be reduced by 3 seconds per mile for each year after the first title that the boat has not won a LISCA divisional title. For example, a boat that won each year beginning in 2005 will be assessed a 17-second per mile penalty, a boat that won in 2005 and again in 2007 will be assessed an 8-second penalty. A boat that won in 2007 and 2008 but did not race in 2009 will be assessed an 8-second penalty, and a boat that won in 2006 and 2007 and lost in 2008 and 2009 will be assessed no penalty as the two losses would offset the two wins.

The Race Committee may make additional handicap adjustments as appropriate.