



## Sailing Instructions

# Wild Turkey Classic Plastic

2019

Hosted by the Ventura Sailing Club

**Note!** This event is a High Points race for boats with a valid PHRF certificate. Points will be awarded for all boats with a PHRF certificate that you beat. For all other boats, the eligibility is a glass fiber boat built before 1999. See section 5 for classes.

### 1 RULES

These races will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the 2017-2020 *Racing Rules of Sailing* and by these Sailing Instructions. For PHRF boats the event is designated US Nearshore as specified in the US Safety Equipment Regulations USSER). See paragraph 14 for modifications to the USSER. ORCA entries shall carry safety equipment per ORCA Bylaws Section 6. In the event of a conflict between these Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race, these Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

### 2 ENTRIES

- 2.1 Eligible boats may be entered for the Race by completing a registration form with the Ventura Sailing Club no later than 0845 hours on November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Exceptions are at the discretion of the Race Committee (at the mandatory skippers meeting at Anacapa Yacht Club).
- 2.2 ENTRY FORMS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ENTRY FEE OF \$30 FOR NON-VSC MEMBERS OR \$20 FOR VSC MEMBERS

### 3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 There will be no notices posted before the Race.
- 3.2 A skippers meeting will be held at 0845 hours on the day of the Race in the AYC clubhouse. Sign-ups will be accepted from 0800 to 0845.

### 4 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change in the sailing instructions will be broadcast on Channel 68 before the Race begins. Competitors should monitor Channel 68 throughout the Race in case of any alterations or important information from the Race Committee.

### 5 CLASS DESIGNATIONS

PHRF-handicapped 60's, 70's, 80's, and 90's non-spinnaker classes; w/ spinnaker, post 99' monohull, Beachcat, and ORCA classes to be determined as needed before the race.

### 6 RACING AREA

The racing area starting line will be between the committee boat and a mark just outside the CI Harbor N. entrance. Racing will take place in the Santa Barbara Channel.

## 7 THE COURSE

The course will start outside CI Harbor N. Entrance. Mark 1 will be Oil Platform Gina (34° 07.0'N, 119°16.6'W), to Starboard. Mark 2 will be Ventura Whistle Buoy (34°14.4'N, 119°16.7'W) to Starboard. Mark 3 will be Mandalay Spar Buoy (34°12.0'N, 119°16.5'W) to Port. Finish between Marker # 5 and Marker # 4 in Channel Islands Harbor (opposite Rudder Room). Approx. 17 miles.

**Note!** Spinnakers shall be struck at the imaginary line between the nearest attached breakwater to the southeast end of the detached breakwater. Any boat sailing beyond this point with a spinnaker set will be scored DSQ by the RC.

## 8 MARKS

- 8.1 Marks are located as described in Section 7 of these Sailing Instructions.
- 8.2 Should any mark be missing; boats shall sail to the coordinates to the best of their ability.
- 8.3 The white safety buoy at Gina is a mark of the course and taken to starboard. No craft shall be between the white safety buoy and Gina.

## 9 THE START

- 9.1 This race will be run with a pursuit style format using each boat's PHRF handicap and the course distance to determine start times at the Captain's Meeting.
  - 1. The First start will occur at 1100.
  - 2. Each competitor's start will be indicated by a single horn after the initial start.
  - 3. The Race Committee will use GPS time to determine start times.

***The first start time will be indicated with the following start sequence.***

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|------|-------------|------------------------------|
| 1054 | Warning     | WARNING HORN-MULTIPLE BLASTS |
| 1055 | Preparatory | SINGLE HORN                  |
| 1056 | Four Minute | P FLAG RAISED                |
| 1059 | One Minute  | P FLAG DROPPED-SINGLE HORN   |
| 1100 | FIRST START | SINGLE HORN                  |

- 9.2 Boats whose start time is more than five minutes away shall keep clear of the starting area.
- 9.3 Postponements will occur for 15 min. intervals if necessary. It will be the competitor's responsibility to calculate new start times by adding the postponed minutes to the original start time assigned at the Captain's Meeting.

## 10 OVER EARLIES

There will be no over early call from the Race Committee. Yachts over early by less than one minute will have 5 minutes added to their finish time. The Race Committee may disqualify yachts over early by more than one minute. If you are over early, **Do Not Return to the Start Line.**

## 11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finish line will be between Marker #5 and #4 in Channel Islands Harbor. **You must inform the Race Committee on Channel 68 if you DNF.**
- 11.2 If the Race Committee is not on station, boats shall record their own finish times. The Race Committee will monitor VHF Channel 68 throughout the race.
- 11.3 Spinnakers shall be struck before a line extending from the S. or N. end of the detached break wall to the light standard on the S. or N. jetty. The RC will score "DSQ" any boat sailing with a spinnaker set beyond this line.

## **12 PROTESTS**

Protests will be presented orally and heard by the VSC officers present at the Anacapa Yacht Club at the time of protest. Should a protest involve damage to a yacht or injury to a person, a written protest (IAW SI rule 12) shall be filed with the Race Committee.

## **13 PRIZES**

Trophies/prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place boats in each class depending on class size. 1<sup>st</sup> place winner of non-spinnaker and spinnaker pre-'99 monohulls will be put on perpetual trophy. Please meet upstairs at The Victoria Pub (clubhouse for the VSC) on Tues. 12/10 at 1830 for the official awards ceremony.

## **14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Racers release VSC, their officers, agents, committee persons, and sponsors from any and all liability for any injury to crew or damage to vessel arising out of participating in this event to the extent that such release does not discharge the racer's insurance carrier under the provisions of the insurance policies on the vessel. The racers assume any risk of injury or death arising out of participating in this event, failure or breakage of the vessel or any of its equipment, or weather conditions.

## **15 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

## **16 SAFETY EQUIPMENT**

All PHRF classes shall carry the safety equipment specified by the U.S. Safety Equipment Requirements for U.S. Nearshore Races (Definition 1.0.3). Refer to [https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/US\\_SER\\_2018.0\\_Categories.pdf](https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/US_SER_2018.0_Categories.pdf). In addition, lifeline requirements 2.4.1 – 2.4.8 apply with the exception that coated lifelines are permitted. The minimum number of persons aboard shall be two. All ORCA class entries shall carry the safety equipment specified by ORCA Bylaws Section 6. Racers are reminded that they are bound by the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea when encountering vessels that are not racing. All boats regardless of class shall carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on channels 16 and 68.