



2022 Harbor 20 East-West Challenge

Notice of Race

May 26-29, 2022

Newport Beach, California

Organizing Authority is Newport Harbor Yacht Club (NHYC)

1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.3 The US Sailing prescription to RRS 63.1 is deleted.
- 1.4 Racing rules may also be changed in conformance with COVID-19 regulations.

2. COVID-19 Precautions

To reduce health risks to all involved with the regatta:

- 2.2 All participants, including non-sailing participants, will be vaccinated and boosted against COVID-19.
- 2.2 All participants, including non-sailing participants, will have a COVID-19 PCR or antigen test taken between May 23 and May 26, with a negative result obtained by May 26 at 6:00pm PDT. At-home rapid tests are acceptable.
- 2.3 All participants, including non-sailing participants, will have masks available in case local health regulations at the time of the regatta require the use of masks.
- 2.4 Compliance with these precautions will not be checked, unless required by regulations at the time of the regatta. It is assumed that we Harbor 20 sailors can be relied on to follow the rules of the regatta.

3. Eligibility, Entry and Format of the Regatta

- 3.1 The regatta is open to up to eight teams from Harbor 20 Fleets representing the East Coast (including the Annapolis, Hilton Head and Smith Mountain Lake fleets) and up to eight teams from Harbor 20 Fleets representing the West Coast (including the Newport Beach and Santa Barbara fleets), selected as the Fleets determine.
- 3.2 Each team will consist of two competitors.

- 3.3 A boat owner's representative from Fleet 1 will also be on each boat if COVID-19 regulations permit.
- 3.4 If a Fleet cannot enter sufficient teams or sailors, Fleet 1 will provide skippers and/or crews to complete the team.
- 3.5 Competitors who helm a boat in the regatta must be members in good standing of the Harbor 20 Class Association and of the Fleet for which they are competing in the regatta.
- 3.6 Competitors selected by their Fleet shall enter online no later than May 12 and shall pay the entry fee no later than at event check-in. A link to online registration will be provided soon to the captains of the participating Fleets.

4. Fees

- 4.1 The entry fee is \$385 per competitor (skipper or crew) and includes Thursday reception, Friday and Saturday dinners, Sunday hors d'oeuvres at awards presentation, boat charter fees and regatta entry.
- 4.2 Boat Owner Representative sailors, volunteers and non-competitors who wish to attend the major social events (Friday and Saturday dinners, Sunday hors d'oeuvres) may purchase an all-event ticket for \$275 on or before May 12, when meal counts must be finalized.
- 4.3 Boat Owner Representatives, volunteers and non-competitors who do not wish to attend all events may purchase a Friday dinner ticket for \$100, Saturday dinner ticket for \$115, or Sunday hors d'oeuvres ticket for \$60 on or before May 12, when meal counts must be finalized. After May 12, Friday tickets are \$120, Saturday tickets are \$135, and Sunday tickets are \$80.
- 4.4 A schedule of fees and due dates appears in Appendix A.

5. Boats

- 5.1 Harbor 20 boats will be provided by Fleet 1 for competing teams.
- 5.2 Competitors will use the boats provided and may not make any modifications (including adjustment of standing rigging) without prior approval of the race committee, except that telltales may be added to boats.
- 5.3 All equipment supplied on a boat shall be carried aboard while racing.
- 5.4 Boats will be assigned by random draw at the competitor meeting. Skippers and crews will rotate boats. The draw and rotation procedures will be provided with the sailing instructions.

6. Schedule (subject to change depending on COVID-19 regulations; times PDT)

Thursday, May 26

- 6:00pm – 8:00pm Welcome reception for out-of town participants at Fleet 1 member's home.

Friday, May 27

12:00pm – 2:00pm	Registration and check-in on NHYC patio next to boatyard.
2:00pm – 5:00pm	Practice races.
5:30pm – 9:00pm	Hors d'oeuvres and dinner at NHYC.

Saturday, May 28

10:30am – 11:00am	Late check-in, mandatory competitor meeting and boat draw on NHYC patio next to boatyard.
12:00pm	Warning signal for race #1. Lunch break and boat rotation. Warning signal for race #3 (time announced at end of race #2).
6:00pm – 9:00pm	Hors d'oeuvres and dinner at Lido Isle YC.

Sunday, May 29

10:30am – 11:00am	Mandatory competitor meeting on NHYC patio next to boatyard.
12:00pm	Warning signal for race #5. Lunch break and boat rotation. Warning signal for race #7 (time announced at end of race #6).
4:00pm – 6:00 pm	Hors d'oeuvres and awards at NHYC.

7. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available during check-in at NHYC.

8. Venue and Courses

- 8.1 Races will be conducted in Newport Harbor east of Lido Isle.
- 8.2 Windward–leeward courses will be set using moveable marks.

9. Scoring

- 9.1 Eight races will be attempted over the period of two days. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will be used, except that when fewer than five races are completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.
- 9.3 For purposes of the East-West Challenge Trophy, the series scores of all boats from each Coast will be totaled to determine the Coast's score. The Coast with the lowest combined score will be the winner of the East-West Challenge.

10. Prizes

The winner of the East-West Challenge will be awarded possession of the East-West Challenge Trophy until the next East-West Challenge Regatta. Take-home trophies will be awarded to the first three skippers and crews.

11. Radio Communication

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions, including by cell phone, and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats [DP]. *The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.*

12. Competitor Risks and Responsibilities

Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 3, Decision to Race. Competitors acknowledge that sailing involves potential risks. As a condition of their participation in this regatta, competitors release all claims they may have against Newport Harbor Yacht Club, Harbor 20 Fleet 1, and their officers, directors, members, committees and employees, for damage to property, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta. Competitors shall be responsible for damage or injury caused by their breach of The Racing Rules of Sailing or applicable governmental rules for the avoidance of collision.

Competitors will sign the US Sailing COVID Waiver at check-in. The waiver form is viewable at <https://cdn.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/US-Sailing-COVID-Waiver-5.24.2021.docx>

13. Further Information

For further information, please contact Gary Thorne at garythornepmp@gmail.com.

See the attached Additional Information sheet regarding registration, lodging, etc.

Appendix A. Fees and Due Dates

Register as...	What's Included	Date	Fee
Skipper or crew	Friday & Saturday dinner, Thursday & Sunday hors d'oeuvres, boat charter, regatta entry	By May 12	\$385
Boat owner rep, Volunteer or Participant	Friday and Saturday dinner, Sunday hors d'oeuvres	By May 12	\$275
Boat owner rep, Volunteer or Participant	Friday dinner	By May 12	\$100
Boat owner rep, Volunteer or Participant	Saturday dinner	By May 12	\$115
Boat owner rep, Volunteer or Participant	Sunday hors d'oeuvres	By May 12	\$60
Boat owner rep, Volunteer or Participant	Friday dinner	After May 12	\$120
Boat owner rep, Volunteer or Participant	Saturday dinner	After May 12	\$135
Boat owner rep, Volunteer or Participant	Sunday hors d'oeuvres	After May 12	\$80

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Additional Information

Event Registration

Competitors and event attendees must register for the events online at a link to be provided. On checkout, you will be given an option to pay online with a credit card, or to bring a check to the event check-in on Friday at NHYC.

Parking

Limited parking is available in the NHYC parking lot.

Lodging

Housing of out-of-town participants may be limited by COVID-19. If available, it will be arranged once participants have registered. Other accommodations are described at <http://www.visitnewportbeach.com/hotels/>

Conveniently-located upscale accommodations include:

- Balboa Bay Resort www.balboabayresort.com
- Hyatt Regency Newport Beach <https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/hotel/california/hyatt-regency-newport-beach/newpo>
- Lido House <https://www.lidohousehotel.com>
- Newport Beach Marriott Hotel www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/laxnb-newport-beach-marriott-hotel-and-spa/ (Note: Renovations may produce noise and may close pool.)

Travel

Nearby airports include:

- John Wayne/Orange County (SNA): 20 minutes away.
- Long Beach (LGB): 30-45 minutes away, depending on traffic.
- Los Angeles (LAX): more flight options, but 50-90 minutes away, depending on traffic.

Weather

Daytime high temperature is usually in the mid-60s, although it occasionally gets into the 70s or 80s. Sunscreen is highly recommended. Winds are 5-10 knots most afternoons and rarely over 15 knots.

Breakfast and Lunch

NHYC offers no-host breakfasts on Saturday and Sunday, and we will provide options for Friday breakfast later. We will send participants information about options for purchasing Fri./Sat./Sun. lunches later. Please bring reusable water bottles to fill at NHYC.

Yacht Club Facilities

Restrooms are available in the NHYC clubhouse.

Cell phone use is not permitted inside the NHYC building.

The yacht club address is: Newport Harbor YC, 720 West Bay Ave., Balboa, CA 92661.