



2011 Rolex Farr® 40 North American Championship

May 28-30
Long Beach Yacht Club
Long Beach, CA

Notice of Race

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Farr 40 Class Association and the Long Beach Yacht Club (LBYC). The Host Club and Race Management (RC) will be provided by LBYC. LBYC is located at 6201 Appian Way, Long Beach CA 90803. Phone number is (562) 598-9401. Club and event information are available at www.lbyc.org and www.farr40.org. Fleet information is available at www.farr40.org or www.f40west.org.

1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Farr 40 Class Association in conjunction with LBYC.

2 HEADQUARTERS

The 2011 ROLEX Farr 40 North American Championship Regatta Headquarters will be Long Beach Yacht Club. Dockage and post-race refreshments will be located on Rainbow Pier and Gladstone's restaurant. Pre-race Opening Ceremony and Competitor Briefing will be held at LBYC.

3 RULES

3.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The 2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

3.2 If there is a conflict between the NOR and the SI, the SI shall prevail. Neither the NOR nor the SI shall change nor alter any Class Rules. **This changes RRS 63.7.**

3.3 Yachts shall comply with the 2010 – 2011 ISAF Offshore Special Regulations, Category 4 (except that neither 5.01.1 nor 4.26.4 (g) shall apply for this event) and Appendix 3 of the Farr 40 Class Rules. In the event of conflict, designer and manufacturers original standards shall prevail.

3.4 RRS 30.2, Z Flag Rule, will be changed to replace the 20% scoring penalty with a 10% penalty.

3.5 A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2, Rule 31 or Rule 42 while racing. However, if a boat may have broken a rule of Part 2 within the zone of a rounding mark or finishing mark, the penalty that may be taken is a Two-Turns Penalty. **This changes RRS 44.1.**

3.6 When leaving the dock, boats shall carry a minimum of 1.5 liters of drinkable liquid up to a maximum of 4 liters, per person per day. This liquid is included in the restrictions for moveable ballast in RRS 51, except when being consumed by a crew member.

3.8 Video data and /or photographs taken from any source shall not be used as evidence at protest hearing. **This changes RRS 63.6.**

3.9 No national prescriptions will apply except US SAILING prescriptions to RRS 68 and 76.1 and added rules 61.4 and 76.3 shall apply. A copy of the applicable prescriptions is included as Attachment 1.

3.10 Decisions of the international jury (IJ) will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

4 **ELIGIBILITY** - The regatta is open to all Farr 40 Class yachts as defined by the Class Rules. Owners, Charterers and Substitute helmsmen shall be current members of the Farr 40 Class Association and approved by the Farr 40 Class Eligibility Review Committee.

5 ENTRY AND REGISTRATION

- 5.1 Eligible boats may enter online at www.farr40.org
- 5.2 The entry form and entry fee of \$1,000 US shall be submitted to Stagg Yachts no later than April 30, 2011. Late entries may be accepted however an additional fee of \$100 US will be due for entries received after that date.
- 5.3 Crew lists and ISAF Sailor User IDs for all crew, along with designation of alternate, relief or substitute helmsmen and a copy of a valid 2011 One Design Certificate shall be submitted to Stagg Yachts no later than May 20, 2011
- 5.4 Registration shall be completed with the OA as described below. Sail declarations may be made on site during registration. To be entered a competitor shall have completed the following no later than 1700 May 27, 2011.
- (a) Registered with the OA, including payment of all fees;
 - (b) Entry Form and 2011 One Design Certificate on file with the OA;
 - (c) Owner, Charterer and Substitute Helmsmen Class Membership Dues for 2011 paid and on file with Stagg Yachts
 - (d) Skipper and crew weigh-in, and liability waivers signed and on file with the OA;
 - (e) Sail Declaration form on file with the OA;
 - (f) Measurement forms on file with the OA;
 - (g) Crew classification declared and verified on the Sail/Crew Declaration form, and on file with the OA;
 - (h) Owner/Skipper shall be a member of their Member National Authority; and
 - (i) All owners, tacticians and boat captains shall have signed and submitted to the OA Appendix 10 stating that their boat fully complies with the Class Rules and that they will abide by said Class Rules while racing.

6 SCHEDULE

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| 6.1 | May 26 | 1300 - 1700, | Registration and Measurement | Gladstone's |
| | May 27 | 0900 – 1700, | Registration and Measurement | Gladstone's |
| | May 27 | 1800 | Mandatory Tacticians Briefing | LBYC |
| | May 27 | 1830 | Opening Ceremony-Dinner | LBYC |
| | May 28 | 1st Race Day, Initial Warning 1130 – Refreshments after at Gladstone's | | |
| | May 29 | 2nd Race Day, Initial Warning 1130 – Open Night | | |
| | May 30 | 3rd Race Day, Initial Warning 1130 – Awards Party at Gladstone's | | |
- 6.2 The race committee intends to conduct as many races as practicable, not to exceed three (3) races on any day, up to a maximum of 8 races for the series. No Warning Signal will be made after 1530 on the last scheduled day of racing.
- 6.3 After consultation with a noncompeting Class Representative, the PRO may modify the above program according to prevailing weather conditions and/or other unforeseen circumstances.

7 MEASUREMENT AND INSPECTION

- 7.1 Inspection will take place on May 26th and May 27th. Each yacht shall provide a minimum of 2 people to facilitate measurement.
- 7.2 Crew will be weighed on the official scales at registration.
- 7.3 All sails must be buttoned and declared as per Class Rules. Random measurement may be conducted. The Class secretary shall advise on site which, if any sails will be measured.
- 7.4 Random yacht and equipment inspections may be conducted prior to, between races and after racing each day to check for compliance with Class Rules, the NOR and the 2010 – 2011 ISAF Offshore Special Regulations, Category 4.

8 EVENT ADVERTISING

- 8.1 Advertising is permitted, as per Class Rules, in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.
- 8.2 Each yacht may be required to display event advertising on their bow, and may be strongly urged to display advertising on the backstay and boom. While not racing all yachts are strongly urged to fly the event flag from the forestay.

- 9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and posted at www.lbyc.org and www.farr40.org no later than 72 hours prior to the first race.

- 10 COURSES AND RACING AREA** – Windward – leeward courses will be sailed in the Pacific Ocean or the Long Beach Outer Harbor as determined by the OA and Principal Race Officer.

11 PENALTIES

The penalty, if any, for any infringement of the rules (including the Class Rules and ISAF Offshore Special Regulations, Category 4) other than rules of Part 2 will be at the sole discretion of the jury in consultation with the Class Representative, and may be other than disqualification. **This changes RRS 64.1.**

12 SCORING

Each yacht's score shall be the sum of all of her race scores with no discard. **This changes RRS Appendix A2.**

13 PRIZES

13.1 The North American Championship Trophy will be awarded to the yacht placing first overall. Trophies will also be awarded for first through fourth place overall, the top Corinthian boat and for the top boat each day.

14 DOCKAGE

14.1 All boats shall be docked MED-MOOR STYLE at LONG BEACH RAINBOW HARBOR ON THE LONG DOCK ADJACENT TO GLADSTONE'S RESTAURANT from 0900 hours May 27 until the end of the event.

14.2 Parking for Support Trailers and Vans must be arranged in advance.

15 SUPPORT BOATS

15.1 Competitors' attention is drawn to the applicable Class Rules and Interpretations.

15.2 Support and Media boats shall register with the OA.

15.3 Support boats will not be able to be launched from LBYC

15.4 Dockage for support boats will be on a space available basis at TBD

16 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Yachts may be hauled out only with the prior written permission of the Jury, and under such terms as they may decide. Normally, the Jury shall grant such permission only if necessary to repair damage. While hauled out, bottoms and foils shall not be sanded, polished, washed or otherwise worked on except as permitted by the Jury in the area of repair. Hulls and appendages may be cleaned in the water.

17 MEDIA AND IMAGE RIGHTS WAIVER

17.1 By entering this regatta, the owner (or charterer) and crew members on competing yachts grant at no cost the absolute right and permission to use their names, voices, images, likenesses, and biographical material, as well as representations of their yacht in any media (including television, print and internet), to the OA, Rolex S.A., Rolex USA, the Farr 40 Management Group, Stagg Yachts, the Farr 40 Executive Committee, LBYC, and other sponsors.

17.2 The Organizing Authority, Rolex S.A., Rolex USA, the Farr 40 Management Group, Stagg Yachts, the Farr 40 Executive Committee, LBYC and other sponsors shall not use the names, voices, images, likenesses or biographical material of an owner (charterer) or crew member in a way that constitutes an endorsement of products unless the competitor or crew member is otherwise engaged by main sponsor or affiliated companies to endorse its products or otherwise gives his/her prior written consent to such use.

17.3 Owners (charterers) and crew members shall acknowledge and accept the granting of media rights referred to in this paragraph 17 by signing the Entry Form and the Disclaimer and Acknowledgement of Rights Form provided by the OA.

18 DISCLAIMER

18.1 All those taking part in the race do so at their own risk and responsibility. The owner (charterer) and each crew member:

- (a) acknowledges and accepts the risks (including the risk of harm to persons and property and the risks associated with the perils of the sea and the seaworthiness of any boat) associated with participation in this regatta and waives all rights against and releases Rolex S.A., Rolex USA, the Organizing Authority, the Farr 40 Management Group, Stagg Yachts, the Farr 40 Executive Committee, LBYC, and their respective officers, employees, volunteers and members in respect of any loss of life or injury to persons, or loss of or damage to property, suffered in connection therewith;
- (b) acknowledges that participation in this regatta by him or her is on the basis that participation is entirely at his or her risk and responsibility and that Rolex S.A., Rolex USA, the Organizing Authority, the Farr 40 Management Group, Stagg Yachts, the Farr 40 Executive Committee, LBYC, and their respective officers, employees, volunteers and members are not responsible for any boat or its crew;
- (c) acknowledges and agrees that this form is governed by the laws of the United States and that any liability for harm to persons that results from breach of an express or implied warranty that this regatta and all services relating thereto will be conducted or

rendered with reasonable care and skill is excluded.

- 18.2 Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone". All competitors shall acknowledge this by signing the Disclaimer and Acknowledgment of Rights Form provided by the Organizing Authority

19 INSURANCE

- 19.1 The safety of a boat and her entire management shall be the sole inescapable responsibility of the owner/owners' representative. It is the responsibility of the owner to provide insurance for the yacht covering eventual damage to persons or property.
- 19.2 The boat is required to hold adequate insurance including third-party insurance of minimum coverage of \$1,000,000 US. It is the owner or owners' representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to participating in this event.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

LBYC www.lbyc.org (562) 598-9401
Rick Roberts at (562) 493-5173 or raceoffice@lbyc.org
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www.farr40.org

PRO

John Busch - LBYC

INTERNATIONAL JURY CHAIR

Henry Menin

ATTACHMENT 1

Applicable US SAILING Prescriptions to the Racing Rules of Sailing

Rule 68 After rule 68 add

US SAILING prescribes that:

(a) A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.

(b) A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US SAILING appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.

(c) A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.

Rule 76.1 After rule 76.1 add

US SAILING prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.

Rule 76.3 Add rule 76.3

76.3 US SAILING prescribes that a boat whose entry is rejected or cancelled or a competitor who is excluded from a race or series shall be, upon written request, entitled to a hearing conducted by the protest committee under rules 63.2, 63.3, 63.4 and 63.6.