



## 2017 Transpac Race COMPETITOR INSPECTION LETTER

Congratulations on your recent entry into one of the most prestigious open ocean yacht races in the world, the 2017 Transpac Race from Los Angeles, California to Honolulu, Hawaii. Our Board of Directors is committed to running a fair and safe event for all vessels and crews. As safety is a paramount concern, the Board of Directors has adopted very stringent man overboard and safety equipment requirements. To ensure compliance, we conduct an extensive safety inspection ahead of the race starting dates. This includes the skipper and crews demonstrating man overboard drills including a simulated MOB GPS location and an actual man overboard recovery to our inspector's satisfaction. This can be accomplished either while the inspector is onboard or by a review of a video submission. Upon finish in Honolulu, our Hawaii inspectors intend to inspect 100% of yachts that appear in the running for overall, division and special awards.

To facilitate the process, enclosed is a list of inspectors for your convenience. Inspection of the vessel must be fully completed by **Sunday June 18, 2017**. This will allow ample time for owners to work with their inspector to fully remedy any discrepancies by **Saturday July 1, 2017**.

**Failure of a skipper/owner to complete all of the inspection requirements by July 1, 2017 shall result in the Board of directors invalidating a yacht's official race entry and the yacht will not be able to start the race.**

Attached are the inspection forms to assist you in the organization of all safety equipment and requirements. These forms are also available electronically on our [www.TranspacYC.com](http://www.TranspacYC.com) website inspection section. We also recommend that you download the NOR for your use. Furthermore, we suggest that you also download the US SER's for Ocean Races found at: <http://www.ussailing.org/safety/equipment-and-requirements/>. All forms are also available or linked through the Transpac website.

In addition to printing out the required inspection form which is only a partial list you must review the Notice of Race and SERs and apply where applicable. Prior to inspection the representative of the vessel should print out and use this for a sample working form to make sure you are well prepared for the actual official inspection.

Select an inspector in your area to discuss any items on the forms that you don't understand or need clarification. They will be more than happy to walk you through the process and also the requirements. They are very knowledgeable and willing to assist you in any manner.

This is a courtesy inspection; it does not relieve the owner/charterer of his/her obligation of fulfilling all the equipment requirements for an Ocean race.

You'll note that our safety inspection form is only a partial list and does not cover all of the US Sailing prescriptions, as applicable under our NOR, and may be amended from time to time. Safety requirements must be fully complied to and satisfied. We therefore recommend you obtain a copy of the regulations, study and apply them to your vessel.





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### IMPORTANT NOTES BELOW:

- DO** Make a timely appointment **after Friday April 28, 2017** and prior to **Sunday June 18, 2017** for your inspection.
- DO** BE ON TIME.
- DO** Have all equipment neatly displayed or in its proper location for the inspector.
- DO** Fully remedy any inspection discrepancies with your inspection by **Saturday July 1, 2017**
- DON'T** Tell the inspector you will have items of equipment **not** aboard at the time of the inspection, aboard for the race. **UNACCEPTABLE! If all items required are not aboard the vessel at the time of inspection the inspector may charge a fee for the second visit to your vessel.**

Good luck and Safe sailing!

Mahalo,

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