



Victoria to Maui International Yacht Race

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THE TWENTY FOURTH EDITION

START: VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA
JULY 3—7, 2014
FINISH: LAHAINA, MAUI
AWARDS BANQUET: JULY 26, 2014
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The Vic-Maui race is a unique international event. As such, skippers (masters) must file a number of US Government documents for entry (re-entry) into the United States, including:

- Foreign (non-US) vessels need a cruising license to be issued by US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) upon arrival in Hawaii.
- All boats require a CBP User Fee Decal. If your decal is not aboard when you arrive in Hawaii, there will be additional entrance fees incurred with local Customs and your landing may be delayed. Decal applications can be accessed on the internet at <https://dtops.cbp.dhs.gov/>.
- Each crew member is required to have his/her passport on board.
- All non-North Americans must have a valid VISA for entry into Hawaii.
- All non-North Americans must complete the I-94 immigration form.
- Each crew member must complete a 6059B Customs Declaration while enroute for submittal when you arrive. (A sufficient number of forms will be provided for your team in Victoria.)

Please ensure that you have provided the committee with **complete and accurate crew and vessel information well in advance of the start in Victoria**. The committee will prepare the necessary CBP forms for you from information you have provided, including the I-94 immigration forms for any Non-North Americans. Our Vic-Maui – US Customs Liaison, Jan Nolan will meet you in Victoria prior to the start to review the forms and crew information for accuracy and to get your signatures on the original documents.

The committee will file your entry documents during the race to make your entry into the United States as smooth as possible. Within 24 hours of making landfall in Lahaina, the following crew members are required to attend a clearance meeting with a CBP Agent:

- All participants who have not done the race in prior years,
- All non-North Americans,
- All skippers (masters)

The clearance meetings are tentatively scheduled to occur at the Lahaina Yacht Club, at 0900 hours on the morning immediately following your arrival. Please keep your cell phone on from the time you cross the finish line until you have received your Customs clearance so we can notify you of any changes to this schedule. Please bring all crew passports and Customs Declarations to the meeting, as well as the boat's documentation in case the CBP should require additional information. Skippers (masters) are personally responsible for all crew members until the clearance meeting is concluded. It is important that everyone attending the meeting show up on time and *not* under the influence of alcohol.

Please be aware of the zero tolerance policy towards drugs. Pets are not permitted to enter Hawaii. Weapons may cause you major headaches. We are looking forward to meeting you in Victoria and greeting you in Lahaina. If you have any questions regarding US Customs, please feel free to contact me by email or phone.

Mahalo & Aloha

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