

Vic-Maui 2012

FAQ: Staggered Start Dates

Q: What is the start date for the 2012 Vic-Maui race?

A: The 2012 Vic-Maui Notice of Race provides for staggered start dates in the range of June 28 through to July 12.

Q: Why does the race use staggered start dates?

A: The race uses staggered starts for three principal reasons:

1. to provide a fairer competition (due to changing weather conditions over the duration of the race) for a wide range of boats,
2. to reduce the time that faster boats spend in Lahaina waiting for the awards banquet, and
3. to increase the probability that slower boats will finish within the race time limit.

Q: Why is there such a wide range of potential start dates?

A: The wide range of potential start dates is to accommodate boats ranging from very slow cruisers to very fast racers; everything from a shorter, traditional full keeled cruising boat to a maxi-sized ultra-light sled.

Q: When will boats in the racing division/classes be starting?

A: Boats in the racing division will be grouped into one or more classes and each class will be assigned an actual start date between July 5 and July 12, inclusive.

Q: When will boats in the cruising division/classes be starting?

A: Boats in the cruising division will be grouped into one or more classes and each class will be assigned an actual start date between June 28 and July 12, inclusive.

Q: When will boats know what their assigned division/class and start date is?

A: Boats will receive their preliminary division/class assignments and start dates by May 26, 2012.

Q: When do boats have to be in Victoria?

A: Boats have to be in Victoria at least two days prior to their assigned start date.

Q: When is the finish deadline and the awards banquet in Lahaina?

The finish deadline is at 2330 HST on Thursday July 26, and the awards banquet is on Saturday July 28.