



Notice of Race
2019 Collingwood Channel Race
May 4 - 5th, 2019

1. RULES

- 1.1 This event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing and the 2019 Vancouver Area Racing Circuit (VARC) NOR.
- 1.2 PHRF boats will sail according to the rules of PHRF BC; ORC Club and ORCi boats will sail according to the rules of the Offshore Racing Congress; The Sport Boat Division boats will sail according to their Class Rules.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats wishing to be scored in VARC season calculations shall display required advertising in accordance with the VARC Notice of Race. See: VARC Notice of Race section 2

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats that have a valid PHRF, ORCi, or ORC Club certificate, and to sport boats as classified in VARC Notice of Race section 3.2.1
- 3.2 The Sport Boat Division will require a minimum of five entries.
- 3.3 A Cruising Division (Pennant 5) will be added. This Division is restricted to "No Flying Sails"
- 3.4 Eligible boats may enter at www.wvyc.ca before 1600 hrs Friday May 3, 2019.
- 3.5 Boats shall comply with safety and equipment provisions of the VARC Notice of Race.
- 3.6 Designated one design boats whose one design class rule conflicts with OSR Category 4 section 3 requirements (structural features, stability, fixed equipment) and who are racing in handicap classes:
 - Shall carry such additional safety measures that the Organizing authority deems necessary, to make up for the OSR Category 4, section 3 requirement deficiencies.
 - May be required to check-in post race to confirm arrival at the dock.

4. FEES

- 4.1 ORC and PHRF Divisions: The single day race entry fee is \$50.00 plus tax for all Divisions, except the Cruising Division whose single race entry fee is \$30.00 plus

tax.

- 4.2 Sport Boat Division: The two-day race entry fee is \$70.00 plus tax.

5. DIVISIONS AND CLASSES

Boats will be assigned to divisions based on their handicap rating or classification as per the 2019 VARC Notice of Race section 3.2, with the exception of the Cruising Division which will be assigned as Division five (5).

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 ORC and PHRF Divisions:

The Collingwood Channel Race on Saturday, May 4, 2019

- The first warning signal is scheduled to be made at 1055 hours.
- One race is scheduled.
- No warning signal will be made after 1400 hours.

- 6.2 Sport Boat Division:

Course racing is scheduled on Saturday, May 4 and Sunday, May 5, 2019

- The first warning signal is scheduled after the final start of The Collingwood Channel Race
- Five races are scheduled for each day
- No warning signal will be made after 1500 hours on either day

- 6.3 Onshore festivities: WVYC invites all race participants to join in the onshore festivities Saturday evening with a BBQ and drinks in the clubhouse post-race.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at www.wvyc.ca no later than 1200 hrs on Thursday May 2, 2019.

8. VENUE

Racing will be conducted in the Strait of Georgia and Collingwood Channel. Onshore activities will be hosted at the West Vancouver Yacht Club.

9. COURSES

- 9.1 ORC and PHRF Divisions:

From the starting line, located approximately 0.6 miles southeast of Passage Island, leaving a beacon located approximately 49° 23' in Collingwood Channel to PORT, to the finish line southeast of Passage Island.

Distance: approximately 16.9 NM

9.2 Sport Boat Division:

Windward-Leeward Course Races: Course diagrams will be included in the Sailing Instructions describing marks, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will not apply.

10.2 **Sport Boat Division Only:** A boat that may have broken a rule of RRS Part 2 while racing may take a One-Turn Penalty. However, if a boat breaks a rule of Part 2 within the Zone of any rounding or finishing marks, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1.

11. SCORING

11.1 One race shall constitute a series.

11.2 Division One (1) and Two (2) boats racing under an ORC Club or ORCi certificate: results will be calculated by Time on Time using the Coastal Triple Number scoring coefficient for one of the following three speed ranges:

- Low Range (9 knots or less)
- Medium Range (between 8 and 14 knots)
- High Range (equal to or greater than 14 knots)

The race committee will advise the fleet of the Declared Wind Speed Range that it plans to use prior to the start of the race.

11.3 Division Three (3), Five (5) and Seven (7) boats racing under a PHRF certificate: results will be calculated by using the PHRF-BC Time on Time formula.

11.4 The Sport Boat Division will be scored in order of finish with no handicap modification. When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores. When between five and nine races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When ten races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores. This changes RRS Appendix A2.1.

12. BERTHING

Skippers who wish temporary moorage at the West Vancouver Yacht Club may call the Club Office to make a reservation at 604-921-7575. Moorage is subject to availability and rafting may be required.

13. PRIZES

Awards will be presented at the annual WVYC awards dinner to the top three boats in each division as established in the Sailing Instructions.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

15. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK/INDEMNITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

The owners and operators of participating vessels are expected to know the capabilities of their vessel and crew under all conditions.

Competitors recognize that sailing and racing involve inherent risks including but not limited to, drowning, hypothermia, physical injury and death.

Competitors voluntarily accept these risks, and waive all liability and any right to claim against the West Vancouver Yacht Club, and all those involved in the organization of the event (Hereafter referred to collectively and individually as WVYC). It is the responsibility of the owner and operator of each vessel to ensure that their vessel is safe, properly equipped, and suitable for the event and further, that all crew members are properly trained and equipped to participate in light of anticipated environmental conditions.

The decision to race or not to race resides solely with the owner and operator of each vessel and any advice received or the failure to provide any particular advice from WVYC, shall not result in any liability. Any safety procedures put in place, or information provided by WVYC, are not a substitute for the obligations and responsibilities of the owner or operator of the vessel and the failure to implement any such procedures, or the performance of such procedures or any deficiency in information provided shall not be relied upon by the owner or operator of the vessel or result in any liability for WVYC.

Vessel requirements, including any safety requirements in order to qualify for entry shall not constitute a representation or warranty of fitness or safety. Any modification of requirements for any particular vessel or class of vessels, shall not constitute a representation or warranty that such vessels are safe to participate in the event, the responsibility for which remains solely with the owner and operator of the vessel.

The owner or operator of each vessel must ensure that the vessel and crew members comply with all applicable legislation and regulations in accordance with Canadian law.

The owner and operators of each vessel agree to indemnify WVYC for any claims by or on behalf of any crew members resulting from participation in the event.

16. INSURANCE

Each participation boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$2,000,000.00 per incident or the equivalent.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further further information, please email Kelly Brix, Fleet Captain at FleetCaptain@wvyc.ca

18. SPONSORS

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