



WEST VANCOUVER YACHT CLUB



**2019 Wednesday Evening Series
NOTICE OF RACE
APRIL 24th – SEPTEMBER 11th**

1. RULES

- 1.2. The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 - 2020 will govern the Regatta.
- 1.3. The equipment standards of World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations APPENDIX B- Inshore Racing will apply.
- 1.4. The prescriptions of the Canadian Yachting Association (CYA) will apply.
- 1.5. The rules of the PHRF BC will apply.
- 1.6. Any and all subsequent amendments to these Sailing Instructions will apply.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. Participants may register online using the WVYC.ca website in the Racing section.
- 2.2. Registrations must be received no later than 24 hours prior to the start of the first SERIES or RACE they wish to compete in.
- 2.3. Boats not registered before 1600hrs on race day will not be scored.
- 2.4. Finish times will not be posted for boats without a valid certificate on the BC Sailing website. If it is a last minute certificate it must be supplied to the Sailing Director before 1600hrs race day.
- 2.5. Boats registered in Division 5 (Cruising) that do not have a valid PHRF certificate will be assigned a PHRF rating.
- 2.6. Divisions will not be changed during a series.
- 2.7. Division 5 is a "NO FLYING SAILS (NFS)" Division. In order to be eligible for a NFS rating, boats must use working sails only; attached by their luff to permanent stays or spars. If a sail change is necessary, the sail carried must be detached at the luff before the next sail is raised.
- 2.8. Boats shall comply with safety and equipment provisions in the World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations APPENDIX B- Inshore racing
 - 2.8.1. Designated one design boats whose one design class rule conflicts with OSR requirements (structural features, stability, fixed equipment) and who are racing in handicap classes:
 - 2.8.1.1. Shall carry such additional safety measures that the Organizing authority deems necessary, to make up for the requirement deficiencies.

3. FEES

This year we have included the "no-volunteer" fee as part of the registration fee. Should a boat wish to provide Race Committee with a volunteer, that boat will be refunded \$40 per

volunteer provided following the race. You can provide as many volunteers as you want, subject to availability and need. Volunteers required are usually limited to 2 per race and the volunteer schedule can be found online at wvyc.ca on the WES page.

Series	Non WVYC Member	WVYC Member
Series 1	\$75	\$125
Series 2	\$60	\$100
Series 3	\$60	\$100
Series 4	\$60	\$100
Series 5	\$60	\$100
All Five Series	\$250	\$420
Single Race		
>24hrs Notice	\$35	\$30
Single Race		
<24hrs Notice	\$50	\$45

4. DIVISIONS

Division 1 PHRF	0 - 109
Division 2 PHRF	110 - 159
Division 3 PHRF	160 and over
Division 5 PHRF	No flying sails/cruising
Division Sport boat	Melges, Viper, Open Class

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Dates of racing:

Series 1	5 races	April 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22
Series 2	4 races	May 29, June 5, 12, 19
Series 3	4 races	June 26, July 3, 10, 17
Series 4	4 races	July 24, 31, August 7, 14
Series 5	4 races	August 21, 28, September 4 & 11

Five (5) races are scheduled in Series 1.

Four (4) races are scheduled in Series 2, 3, 4, 5

5.1.1 The first warning signal is scheduled at 1800 hours for Series 1, 2, 3 4 & 5.

5.1.2 No warning signal will be made after 1845 hours for Series 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5.

5.1.3 Scheduled races not sailed or completed during the series, are cancelled.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at www.wvyc.ca no later than 1200 hrs on Thursday April 4, 2019.

7. RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the vicinity of the West Vancouver Yacht Club, Passage Island and Whytecliffe Park.

8. THE COURSES

8.2. Course diagram is both part of this document. The diagram for course A form part of the

sailing instructions. All Divisions, except Division 5, will sail the course twice around unless shortened. Division 5 will only sail one lap. The approximate race duration will be 40 - 70 minutes.

- 8.3. Course "A" is the default course for all Divisions unless otherwise indicated. The order of mark rounding for Course A is: Marks 1, GATE, 1, Finish.
- 8.4. Times will be taken at the GATE on the first lap. If no boat in a division finishes within the time limit, time of the first lap will be used for results. See also 15.3 Shortened Course.
- 8.5. Course diagram is both part of this document. The diagram for course A form part of the sailing instructions. All Divisions, except Division 5, will sail the course twice around unless shortened. Division 5 will only sail one lap. The approximate race duration will be 40 - 70 minutes.
- 8.6. Course "A" is the default course for all Divisions unless otherwise indicated. The order of mark rounding for Course A is: Marks 1, GATE, 1, Finish.
- 8.7. Times will be taken at the GATE on the first lap. If no boat in a division finishes within the time limit, time of the first lap will be used for results. See also 15.3 Shortened Course.

9. SCORING

- 9.2. The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply. A boat that "Did Not Start (DNS)", "Did Not Finish (DNF)" or "Retired After Finishing (RAF)", shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that came to the start area. This alters Rule "A 4.2".
- 9.3. One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.4. Each boat's Series scores will be the total of her race scores. Abandoned races are not considered in tallying Series scores.
- 9.5. In Series 1, if 1 to 4 races are sailed, there will be no throw-outs. If 5 races are sailed, there will be 1 throw-out.
- 9.6. In Series 2, 3, 4, & 5, if 1 to 3 races are sailed, there will be no throw-outs. If 4 races are sailed, there will be 1 throw-out.
- 9.7. A boat must compete in 4 of the 5 series to be considered for overall winner in her division. Each boat's score from each of her series, as determined by instructions, will be added together to determine the overall winner for each Division.
- 9.8. Divisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 will be scored using PHRF speed potential ratings and using the Time on Time system.
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- 9.10. One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.11. Each boat's Series scores will be the total of her race scores. Abandoned races are not considered in tallying Series scores.
- 9.12. In Series 1, if 1 to 4 races are sailed, there will be no throw-outs. If 5 races are sailed, there will be 1 throw-out.
- 9.13. In Series 2, 3, 4, & 5, if 1 to 3 races are sailed, there will be no throw-outs. If 4 races are sailed, there will be 1 throw-out.
- 9.14. A boat must compete in 4 of the 5 series to be considered for overall winner in her division. Each boat's score from each of her series, as determined by instructions, will be added together to determine the overall winner for each Division.
- 9.15. Divisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 will be scored using PHRF speed potential ratings and using the Time on Time system.

10. VOLUNTEERING

10.1 All boats are welcome to provide a volunteer. In so doing a refund of \$40 will be credited to the person who paid the registration fee. You can provide as many volunteers as you want, providing Race committee has a need for them for the race in question. Volunteers must be able bodied individuals capable of holding a flag or taking times. Please indicate if they are also capable of performing mark set duties.

11. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 11.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive special radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 11.2. Race Communications will take place using VHF Channel 73.
- 11.3. All boats are advised to monitor VHF 73.

12. PRIZES

- 12.2. If there are 4 or more boats racing and finishing in a Division, prizes will be awarded to each boat placing first, second, & third in each race. If there are 3 boats, then only first place prizes will be awarded. If there are 2 boats, recognition only in lieu of a prize will be awarded. Prizes will be presented during each post-race BBQ.
- 12.3. Prizes will also be awarded to each boat placing first, second, and third in each series, and to the boat placing first in each Division for the combined series. A boat must race in four of the five series to be considered for the combined award. These prizes will be awarded at WVYC Annual Awards Night.

13. 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.

14. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of 2,000,000 per event or the equivalent. A copy of this certificate must be carried on board at all times.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please email the Sailing Director at sailingdirector@wvyc.ca

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