



Southern Straits Sport Boat Regatta

April 19 – April 20, 2019
West Vancouver, British Columbia

Hosted By
West Vancouver Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE

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1 RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (“RRS”).
- 1.2 The Prescriptions of Sail Canada shall apply (see Attachment A).
- 1.3 Sport Boats racing under their respective one design class measurement rule:

- (a) The [2018 Pacific International Yachting Association Safety Equipment Requirements – Inshore Category \(“PIYA SER”\)](#) amended as follows:

- 2.4.1 Hull and Structure: Lifelines; Is recommended
- 2.4.6 Hull and Structure: Lifelines; Shall apply to boats under 30 feet
- 2.4.7 Hull and Structure: Lifelines; Shall apply to boats 30 feet and over
- 3.18 Safety Equipment: Depth Sounder is recommended
- 3.26 Gear: Radar Reflectors; A tubular radar reflector is acceptable if permanently mounted within 15 degrees of vertical.
- 3.33.3 Sails: Headsails; is replaced with the following:

Unless the person in charge of the boat has an alternative sail plan for dealing with heavy weather, a boat shall have a mainsail reefing capable of reducing the luff length by at least 12.5%.

- (b) The [World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations 2018-2019 with Canadian prescriptions – Category 4 \(“WS OSR”\)](#) amended as follows:

Designated one design boats (e.g. Martin 242, Melges 24) whose one design class rule conflicts with OSR section 3 requirements (structural features, stability, fixed equipment) and who are racing in handicap classes:

- a) shall not be penalized for non-compliance with OSR section 3 that is a result of conflict with their one design class rule,
- b) shall have all crew wearing lifejackets or PFDs while racing,
- c) shall carry at least two thermal protective aids or other devices for treating crew following a crew overboard incident,
- d) in the absence of compliance with OSR 3.14 (pulpit, stanchion and lifelines), shall carry at least one harness and safety line (tether) and



have attachment point(s) to reduce crew overboard risk when working forward of the mast.

4.10.1 A tubular radar reflector is acceptable if permanently mounted within 15 degrees of vertical.

- 1.4 Boats shall carry the equipment required by law. Particular attention is drawn to the Small Vessel Regulations. [DP]
- 1.5 Boats shall not impede or obstruct commercial traffic. [DP]
- 1.6 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.
- 1.7 All changes to the RRS will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

NOTE: The notation of '[DP]' in a rule in this NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

2 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 Entry is open to monohull sport boats that:

- (a) Meet the safety requirements identified in 1.4 of this Notice of Race.
- (b) Meet their respective one design class measurement rule.
- (c) Measure:
 - Length Overall (LOA) 6.00m to 8.5m
 - Displacement in measurement Trim DSPM (kg) < 2000
 - Displacement / Length Ratio DSPM / LSM0³ < 3.70
 - Spinnaker is Asymmetric on CL

3.2 A minimum of seven (7) entries is required for this regatta.

3.3 All entries and required documentation must be received by end of day Sunday April 14th, 2019.

3.4 Registration:

Beginning January 1st, 2019, register online at www.southernstraits.ca.

Payment through VISA, MASTERCARD, or WVYC chit is necessary to complete your registration.

3.5 Boats are required to review and accept the terms of the waiver in order to complete your registration.

3.6 Boats shall send the following required documentation to the Southern Straits Race Office by no later than end of day Sunday April 14th, 2019:

- (a) A copy of your current Insurance Certificate

Early submission is appreciated.

3.7 Required documentation may be dropped off at WVYC or sent to the Southern Straits Race Office:

- (a) As a PDF or scanned email attachment to raceoffice@southernstraits.ca
- (b) By FAX to 604-921-7599 (please confirm receipt by calling 604-921-7575 after end of transmission)

Please ensure that your Sail #, Boat Name and Order ID# (provided through the online registration tool) are prominently noted on supporting documents.



4 FEES

- 4.1 The entry fee for all Sport Boat Regatta boats shall be \$60 plus tax. This fee also includes Sport Boat Division entry in the Southern Straits Inshore Race component of this regatta.
- 4.2 Entry fee DOES NOT include a club-provided SPOT tracker, dinner tickets or a participation plaque. These can be purchased as separate items during online registration.
- 4.3 Entry fee does include participant moorage, trailer parking and/or boat launching where possible.
- 4.4 There will be no refunds after end of day April 14th, 2019.
- 4.5 Special consideration may be given in support of training vessels representing recognized training organizations to encourage their participation.

5 SCHEDULE

Thursday April 18th 12:00 hours	“Registration Confirmation” desk opens. Skippers may pick up any additional items purchased during registration (i.e. dinner tickets, SPOT trackers). Please note there are no formal skipper kits to pick up for the Sport Boat Regatta.
Thursday April 18th 17:00 hours	Event Gala with dinner, door prizes and 2018 awards will be held in the main Clubhouse.
Thursday April 18th 20:00 hours	“Registration Confirmation” desk closes.
Thursday April 18th 20:00 hours	A Skippers’ meeting, including a professional weather briefing, will be held in the main Clubhouse. This will be followed by a “Captains’ Keg” sponsored by Okanagan Spring Brewery and the presentation of the 2018 awards.
Friday April 19th 06:30 hours	Breakfast will be available in the main Clubhouse.
Friday April 19th 09:00 - 10:00 hours	There will be a parade of boats at the start area prior to the Race.
Friday April 19th 10:25 hours	The first warning signal for the Classic Race.
Friday April 19th 18:30 hours	Inshore Race must be completed.
Friday April 19th 17:00 hours - onward	Dinner will be available in the main Clubhouse
Saturday April 20th 07:30 hours	Breakfast will be available in the main Clubhouse.
Saturday April 20th 10:55 hours	Day 2 Course Racing warning signal
Saturday April 20th 16:00 hours	No Course Racing races to be started after this time.
Saturday April 20th 17:00 hours	There will be a casual post-Race event in the main Clubhouse. Reservations would greatly assist the Galley staff in their preparations.



6 MEASUREMENTS

Sport Boats shall race within their respective one-design class rule measurement configurations. The Sport Boat fleet is not a handicap fleet and will be scored in the order of finish without time or distance based correction against one another.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available Friday April 12th, 2019 at www.southernstraits.ca

8 VENUE

The racing area is Howe Sound and English Bay extending West to a line formed by linking Starboard Hand Beacon Pac432 on Popham Island to the permanent mark QA West of Point Grey.

9 THE COURSES

9.1 The regatta shall consist of two days:

(a) Friday April 19th, 2019 – The Inshore Race (Distance approx. 20nm):

The Inshore Race course will be decided by the Race Committee before the start as set out in the Inshore Race Sailing Instructions.

(b) Saturday April 20th, 2019 – Course Racing (Five races to be scheduled):

Diagrams shall be included in the Sailing Instructions describing marks and showing the courses, 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.

Course racing will be in the vicinity of Howe Sound and/or English Bay

9.2 All boats will race in one division.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 A boat that may have broken a rule of 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.

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

11 SCORING

11.1 One race shall constitute a regatta

11.2 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores. When five or more races are completed, a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS Appendix A2.1.

11.3 Boats will be scored in order of finish with no handicap modification on relative finish time.

12 MOORAGE

The WVYC will provide moorage for this event at no cost in the Fisherman's Cove Basin. Trailer parking will also be provided at no cost. It is required that crew delivering prior to the event contact WVYC to provide approximate arrival times and vessel details. Slip assignments will be communicated prior to arrival.

Mooring assistance at the West Vancouver Yacht Club available: 604-921-7575

13 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around yachts between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

14 RADIO COMMUNICATION

14.1 Except in an emergency or with the Race Committee, a boat while racing, shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

14.2 Radio communications with commercial traffic is encouraged for safety purposes.

15 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the Skipper of each boat placing first, second or third in the regatta.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

The Organizing Authority emphasizes that competitors participate in this Race entirely at their own risk. Responsibility for the safety of each vessel and crew and the decision whether to start a Race or to continue racing ultimately rests with the Person in Charge/Skipper, as per fundamental RRS 4. 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 Race.

17 INSURANCE

Each participating Boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$1,000,000 CAD per incident or the equivalent.

18 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the entrance lobby of the main Clubhouse.

19 AMERICAN ENTRANTS

19.1 No customs personnel will be present at the WVYC Clubhouse. However Customs can be cleared via the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club's main "dinner dock" at their Jericho facility.

19.2 An additional customs dock is located at the False Creek Government Dock (Fisherman's Pier).

19.3 Customs can be reached at Tel: 1-800-461-9999 or 604-666-0545.

20 EXCHANGE, DEBIT & CREDIT CARDS

American participants are encouraged to convert their cash to Canadian Funds prior to their arrival. We do not accept debit cards. We do accept VISA and MasterCard.



21 FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact the Race Chair through one of the following:
West Vancouver Yacht Club
5854 Marine Drive, West Vancouver, BC, V7W 2S2
Tel: 604-921-7575
Fax: 604-921-7599
Email: chair@southernstraits.ca
Website: www.southernstraits.ca



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Southern Straits Classic is proud to be a qualifying race for:





Attachment A



Sail Canada Prescriptions 2017–2020

Effective 1 January 2017

Rule 46 – Person in Charge

Sail Canada prescribes that the designated person in charge, if resident in Canada, shall be a member of a club affiliated with Sail Canada.

Rule 61.2 – Protest Contents

Sail Canada prescribes that no fee shall be charged for delivering a protest or a request for redress.

Rule 64.3 – Decisions on Protests Concerning Class Rules

Sail Canada prescribes that unless otherwise provided in its class rules, the Equipment Rules of Sailing shall apply to all classes racing in Canada.

Rule 67 – Damages

Sail Canada prescribes that a boat that has been found by a protest committee to have broken a rule and caused damage shall be considered at fault for the purposes of rule 67.

Rule 70.5(a) – Appeals and Requests to a National Authority

Sail Canada so prescribes.

Rule 86.3 – Changes to the Racing Rules

Sail Canada so prescribes.

Rule 88.2 – National Prescriptions

Sail Canada prescribes that the sailing instructions for events with an international jury or no-appeal protest committee may change or delete any Sail Canada prescription except the prescriptions to rule 61.2, 67 and 91(b). The sailing instructions for other events may not change or delete any Sail Canada prescription.

Rule 91(b) – Protest Committee

Sail Canada prescribes that a request for an international jury formed under rule N1.7 comprised of only three members requires written approval be obtained from Sail Canada before making the request to World Sailing.

Appendix E8 – Appendix G Changes to Identification on Sails

Sail Canada prescribes that this rule applies to Canadian boats in all classes.

Appendix R – Procedures for Appeals and Requests

Sail Canada prescribes that it may delegate an appeal or request for confirmation or correction to an association appeals committee, such as a provincial association appeals committee or a racing association appeals committee. Decisions of an association appeals committee may be further appealed to Sail Canada.

Appendix R2.1(a) – Submission of Documents

Sail Canada prescribes that no later than 15 days after receiving the association appeals committee's written decision, the appellant may send a further appeal and a copy of the association appeals



committee's decision to Sail Canada. The appeal shall state why the appellant believes the association appeals committee's decision or its procedures were incorrect.

Appendix R2.2 – Submission of Documents

Sail Canada prescribes that in the case of a further appeal to Sail Canada, this rule shall apply to the appellant as though it was an initial appeal, and to the appealed committee as though it was the protest committee.

Appendix R3 – Responsibilities of National Authority and Protest Committee

Sail Canada prescribes that when an appeal is delegated to an association appeals committee, the responsibilities and actions required of the national authority in this rule, and in rules R4, R5, 71.2 and 71.3, shall be performed by the association appeals committee.

When a decision of an association appeals committee is further appealed, Sail Canada shall send to the parties, protest committee and association appeals committee copies of the appeal. No member of the association appeals committee shall take any part in the discussion or decision on the appeal.

Appendix R4 – Comments and Clarifications

Sail Canada prescribes that when a decision of an association appeals committee is further appealed, the parties, protest committee and association appeals committee may make comments on the appeal. Comments on the appeal shall be made no later than 15 days after receiving it from Sail Canada. Sail Canada shall send copies of the comments to the parties, protest committee and association appeals committee as appropriate.

