

## 2021 PCYC WOMEN ON THE WATER EVENT

Sunday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>
Port Credit Yacht Club
Mississauga, Ontario

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

## 1 RULES

- 1.1 Protocols relating to COVID-19 may be published at any time and will state if they have the status of a rule.
- 1.2 The event is governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.4 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration will apply.
- 1.5 Under RRS 32.1, upper wind limits will apply. The Race Committee will not start a race in sustained wind velocity greater than 18 knots, and may abandon a race in sustained wind velocity greater than 18 knots. Any action or no action by the race committee under this instruction will not be grounds for redress under RRS 60.1(b).

## 2 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Amendments to the sailing instructions will be posted on the online official notice board by 1900 on August 21.

## 3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <a href="https://pcyc.net/WOW-Regatta">https://pcyc.net/WOW-Regatta</a>. Failure to post a notice on the website will not be grounds for redress under RRS 60.1(b).
- On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio 71.
- 3.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

#### 4 CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

# 5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag pole located south of the back of the Clubhouse.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race

## 6 SCHEDULE

6.1 The schedule for the event is:

Skipper's Meeting 1200
First Warning Signal 1245

Subsequent races to follow No Warning Signal after 1500

Awards To be held as soon as is feasible after racing

6.2 A maximum of four races will be held.

# 7 CLASS FLAG

7.1 Division Flags will be posted on the online official notice board by 0900 Sunday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## 8 RACE AREA

- 8.1 Racing will take place south of the entrance to the Port Credit Yacht Club basin.
- 8.2 The location of the race course is at the discretion of the Race Officer and is not grounds for redress.

# 9 COURSES

9.1 The diagram below shows the course, 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.

X 1 X 2 X 3

Start/Finish

Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - Finish

## 10 MARKS

- 10.1 The marks used will be inflatable marks.
- 10.2 The mark colours will be:

Start/Finish Green
1, 2 and 3 Yellow
Change of Course Orange

## 11 THE START

- 11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 11.2 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the starting mark.
- 11.3 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 11.4 A boat that does not start within four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## 12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

#### 13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the finishing mark.
- 13.2 If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she shall report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

#### 14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

# 15 TIME LIMITS [AND TARGET TIMES]

15.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
20	60	10

- 15.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 15.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place [one][two] more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 15.4 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

# **16 HEARING REQUESTS**

- 16.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the docking time of the signal vessel. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 16.2 Hearing request forms are available online at <a href="https://pcyc.net/WOW-Regatta">https://pcyc.net/WOW-Regatta</a> and at the Communications Centre.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held on the veranda of the Learn to Sail building.

#### 17 SCORING

- 17.1 The scoring system is Appendix A, the low point scoring system.
- 17.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.3 All races are to count.

## **18 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

18.1 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

#### 19 TRASH DISPOSAL

19.1 Trash may be placed aboard official [or support person] vessels.

#### 20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

20.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the last race of the event.

#### 21 PRIZES

- 21.1 Prizes will be given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each Division.
- 21.2 Additional prizes may be given.

#### 22 RISK STATEMENT

- 22.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.
- 22.2 Competitors voluntarily assume the risks associated with communicable diseases including but not limited to COVID 19.

#### 23 INSURANCE

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