



**2021 Wednesday Night Club Racing  
Port Credit Yacht Club  
July – September  
(inclusive)**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

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

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 RRS Appendix T will apply.

**2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1300 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

**3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS**

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the online official notice board located at <https://pcyc.net/wednesday>.
- 3.2 [DP] All boats must carry a VHF radio that is equipped with working VHF transmitter/receiver supporting Canadian frequencies of 6, 9, 16, 68, 71, 72 and 73.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 71.
- 3.4 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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.
- 4.2 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall place advertising provided by the organizing authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

**5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

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

## 6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

### 6.1 Dates of Racing:

Series A	Series B	Rum Runners:
July 7	July 14	September 7 (Tuesday)
July 21	July 28	September 13
Aug 4	August 11	September 20
August 18	August 25	

6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal will be at 1830.

6.3 One race will be completed each day.

## 7 CLASS FLAGS

7.1 The class flags are as follows:

	Class	Flag
Start 1	PHRF I	Numeral Pennant 1
Start 2	PHRF II	Numeral Pennant 2
Start 3	PHRF III	Numeral Pennant 3
Start 4	PHRF IV	Numeral Pennant 4

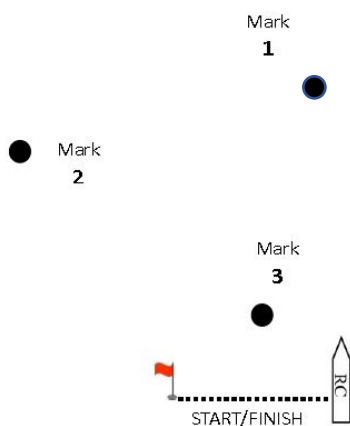
## 8 RACING AREA

8.1 Racing will take place on a bearing of 145 degrees and a distance of 1.2 nautical miles from the entrance to the harbour.

8.2 [NP] Course location will be at the discretion of the race officer.

## 9 COURSES

9.1 The course to be sailed will be windward/leeward for Start 1 and Start 2 and a triangle windward/leeward for Start 3 and Start 4.



Start 1-Spinnaker and Start 2-Spinnaker:

Start - 1 -3 - 1 - Finish

Start 3-White Sail and Start 4-White Sail:

Start - 1 -2 - 3 - 1 - Finish

9.2 The race committee signal an additional windward/leeward leg for Starts 1 and 2 by displaying code flags 'C', 'L' and 'numeral pennant 3' before the last leg of the course.

9.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

## 10 MARKS

10.1 Inflatable marks will be used.

## **11 THE START**

- 11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel and the course side of the starting mark.
- 11.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 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 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## **12 THE FINISH**

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessels and the course side of the finishing mark.
- 12.2 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.

## **13 TIME LIMITS [AND TARGET TIMES]**

- 13.1 The Finishing Window of 30 minutes is the time for boats to finish after the first boat in each division 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.
- 13.2 A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one 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.
- 13.3 Overall time limit is 2 hours from the start of each division.
- 13.4 Failure to meet target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## **14 HEARING REQUESTS**

- 14.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the signal vessel docks. The time will be posted on the online official notice board.
- 14.2 Hearing request forms are available online at <https://pcyc.net/wednesday> and outside of the Communications Station.
- 14.3 Notices will be posted and parties notified as soon as possible following racing. Hearings will be held on the Tuesday following racing or a mutually agreed date and time. Hearings will be held on the porch of the Learn to Sail building.
- 14.5 RRS 62.2(a) and 66.2(a) do not apply.

## **15 SCORING**

- 15.1 Races will be scored using the Low Point Scoring System of RRS-A4.
- 15.2 Scoring for all races will use the PHRF Lake Ontario Time on Time formula will be used.
- 15.3 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.5 The winners of Monday A/B Series and Wednesday A/B Series will be scored based on RRS A9.
- 15.6 For Series A, a boat's best three race scores are to count. For Series B, a boat's best three race scores are to count.
- 15.7 The Rum Runners series will be scored separately. All races are to count.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

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

**17 TRASH DISPOSAL**

17.1 Trash may be placed aboard official vessels.

**18 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

18.1 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. Races

**19 PRIZES**

19.1 Prizes will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in each division.

19.2 Additional prizes may be awarded.

**20 RISK STATEMENT**

20.1 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.

20.2 Competitors voluntarily assume the risks associated with communicable diseases including but not limited to COVID 19.

**21 INSURANCE**

21.1 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.