



PCYC ANNUAL REGATTA SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Saturday, June 29, 2024

Pointe-Claire Yacht Club
Lac St. Louis, Quebec

1. RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at [Official Notice Board | PCYC](#) before 9:00am on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 8:00pm on the day before it will take effect.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be sent by email and to the address entered in the boat registration form.
- 3.2 On the water, VHF channel 77 is restricted to Race Committee communication. Competitors may use channel 77 during races for urgent or safety messages only. Misuse of channel 77 during the races could be considered as misconduct - RRS 69.

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

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

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag mast of the Race Committee boat docked at PCYC and an email notification will be sent simultaneously to the entire GNS registered fleet.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1. The class flags are:

DIVISION	FLAG
1	Purple
2	Green
3	White
4	Yellow

7. COURSES

- 7.1 The Regular and Short courses are defined in Addendum A.
- 7.2 If a Short course is to be sailed, this will be indicated by the Race Committee signal vessel displaying numeral pennant 1 with the class flag.
- 7.3 All course marks must be left to port.
- 7.4 The location of the marks shall not be grounds for protest.
- 7.5 Courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.
- 7.6 Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes RRS 33.

8. MARKS

- 8.1 The marks that may be used are yellow and orange inflatable marks.
- 8.2 The starting/finishing mark is a red ball.

9. THE START

- 9.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.
- 9.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel and the course side of the starting mark.
- 9.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other divisions.
- 9.4 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 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).
- 9.5 A boat that does not start within 4 (four) minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS (Did Not Start) without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
- 9.6 The order of starts will be determined by the flags flown by the race committee. The race committee will attempt to start the divisions in sequential order. To facilitate race management, the race committee may change the order of starts or start multiple divisions together, at its discretion. Such action by the race committee will not be grounds for redress.

10. THE FINISH

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






11. TIME LIMITS

- 11.1 The Finishing Window, which is the time limit for boats to finish after the first boat of their division sails the course and finishes, will be 30 minutes.
- 11.2 Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window shall be scored DNF (Did Not Finish) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

12. HEARING REQUESTS

- 12.1 The protest time limit is 8:00pm the day of the regatta.
- 12.2 Hearing request forms can be found on the Official Notice Board at www.gnsracing.com.
- 12.3 Notices will be posted no later than 48 hours after a race to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 12.4 Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the Pointe-Claire Yacht Club.
- 12.5 RRS 62.2(a) and 66.2(a) do not apply.

ADDENDUM A - COURSES

DIVISION	REGULAR COURSE	SHORT COURSE 
1 	Start – 1B – 3 – 1B - Finish	Start – 1B – Finish
2 	Start – 1A – 3 – 1A - Finish	Start – 1A – Finish
3 	Start – 1A – 2 – 3 – 1A – Finish	Start – 1A – Finish
4 	Start – 1A – 2 – 3 – 1A – Finish	Start – 1A – Finish

