



2024 Mayor's Cup
Medium Distance Pursuit Race

July 13, 2024

Whitby Yacht Club
Whitby, Ontario, Canada

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)

Amendment 1, Posted 2024/07/12

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

1 RULES

- 1.1 In cases of conflict between the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions and any Class Rules, the Jury will decide which shall govern.
- 1.2 Changes to boat or sails shall be referred to the Principal Race Officer (wycfleet2@gmail.com).

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board before 0900 on the day it will take effect.
- 2.2 Changes to a sailing instruction may be made on the water by displaying flag L on the race committee signal vessel, relaying instruction change by hail and/or on the VHF radio, and receiving acknowledgment by hail or VHF radio from every boat that comes to the starting area.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 3.2 On the water, the Race Committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 72.
- 3.3 If the Race Committee displays flag T, alternate VHF channel 71 will be used.
- 3.4 The following **courtesy** communications may be made by the Race Committee on VHF radio.
 - Changes to sailing instructions,
 - displaying and removing visual signals,

- sail numbers of boats breaking RRS 29.1, individual recall
- general recalls under RRS 29.2, and
- sail numbers of boats breaking RRS 30.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole located on the lawn west of the clubhouse. (See NOR Addendum A)
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 One medium distance race will be run on Saturday, July 13, 2024.
- 5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first start is 1100 h.
- 5.3 The race will not be started in sustained winds less than 4 knots nor in conditions deemed to be unsafe or unfit for Race Committee.

6 DIVISION SPLITS, ORDER OF START, AND CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1. For results to be recorded and reported, boats must be registered and hold a current PHRF certificate for handicap racing.
- 6.2. Boats will be split into FS (Spinnaker) and NFS (Jib & Main) divisions as designated in the table below.

NFS (Jib and Main)	White or Yellow Flag	PHRF NFS
FS (Spinnaker)	Light Blue or Green Flag	PHRF FS

7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 The race area is along the north shore of Lake Ontario extending approximately 6.6 nm east and 6.9 nm west of WYC Mark #9, which is approximately 1.4 nm on a compass bearing of approximately 210 degrees (right) from the Whitby Harbour East Pier Head light (See NOR Addendum B).

8 COURSES

- 8.1 The race will be from a start line at WYC Mark #9 to a designated Turning Mark and back to a finish line at WYC Mark #9.
- 8.2 The Turning Mark is to be left to port.
- 8.3 The Turning Mark will be announced at the Competitors Briefing.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 WYC Mark #9 is a yellow barrel approximately 4 feet in height with a

black number "9" on three sides. It is located at N 43° 49.708', W 78° 56.260', which is 1.4 nm from the Whitby Harbour Light at a bearing of 210° M.

9.2 Possible Turning Marks and their locations are listed in the table below.

Description of Turning Mark	Latitude and Longitude	Distance from WYC #9 (nm)
"FBYC-0" Frenchman's Bay Yacht BYC Mark #0	43° 47.401' N, 79° 05.013' W	6.7
Moore Point [Y] (Spar)	43° 48.388' N, 79° 02.443' W	4.7
"45159" Weather Buoy [Y FL (5) Y 20S]	43° 46.000' N, 78° 59.099' W	4.2
"MV2" Oshawa [R] (Spar)	43° 51.398' N, 78° 47.436' W	6.6

10 THE START

10.1 The time at which a boat starts is based on their PHRF Time-on-Distance rating and is minutes (rounded up) after the warning signal. Using the start sequence defined in RRS 26, the slowest boat entered in the event will start first and all other boats at intervals determined by Race Committee. Start times will be provided at the Skippers' Meeting and on the ONB.

10.2. The starting line will be between the halyard or staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

10.3. No boat shall hoist its spinnaker until the boat has started and cleared the starting line.

10.4 Boats not starting shall keep clear of the start box one minute prior to another boat's start. The start box extends one-quarter the length of the starting line ahead of and behind the starting line, and one-quarter the length of the starting line past either end of the starting line.

10.5. A boat starting later than five (5) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes Rule A4.

- 10.6. The signal boat may leave the starting area 5 minutes after the last start.
- 10.7. The Race Committee may announce the sail number or boat name of each starter at least one minute prior to their start on the applicable VHF channel. Failure to make an announcement or the order in which boats are announced shall not be grounds for redress.
- 10.8. The Race Committee may announce the sail number or boat name of each premature starter on the applicable VHF channel. Failure to make an announcement or the order in which boats are announced shall not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 62.1 (a).

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1 Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes RRS 33.
- 11.2 The course may only be shortened at the turning mark.

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee signal vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.
- 12.2 If the race committee signal vessel is absent when a boat finishes, she shall report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the Race Committee or Fleet Captain at the first reasonable opportunity.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 Rule 44.1 is changed to permit a boat that has broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 to take a penalty after racing but prior to any protest hearing. Her penalty shall be a scoring penalty as calculated in rule 44.3(c) equal to 40% of the number of entries in her class or 50% of the difference between her position and the number of entries in her class, whichever is less. However, if she caused injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach, her penalty shall be to retire.

14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 14.1 The Turning Mark Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in minutes in the table below.

Turning Mark Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
<i>90</i>	<i>180</i>	<i>60</i>

- 14.2 If no boat in a Division has passed the first mark within the Turning Mark Time Limit, the race will be abandoned for that Division.
- 14.3 If no boat in a Division has finished within the Race Time Limit, the race will be abandoned for that Division.
- 14.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats in a Division to finish after the first boat in the 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 Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, and A5.2.
- 14.4 The Target Time for the lead boat in each Division to finish is 120 minutes. The Race Committee will set a course length such that the lead boat finishes within the Target Time.
- 14.5 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

15 HEARING REQUESTS

- 15.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee signal vessel docks. The docking time will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 15.2 Arbitration under RRS Appendix T applies.
- 15.3 The Arbitrator may subsequently sit on the Jury hearing the protest.
- 15.4 A fillable protest form is available on the [WYC Racing Page](#).
- 15.5 Completed forms shall be emailed to the Club Chief Judge (fleet@wyc.ca) before the protest time limit.
- 15.6 Arbitration meetings will be arranged by the Arbitrator and may be virtual. Hearings will be held once per month at a time and date posted on the Notice Board at least 1 week prior and may be virtual. This changes RRS Rule 61.
- 15.7 Protests alleging a breach of a class rule must be accompanied by an official copy of the applicable class rules. This changes RRS 61.2.
- 15.8 RRS 62.2(a) and 66.2(a) do not apply.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 [DP] Once a boat has fulfilled her check-in requirements, if she no longer intends to participate in racing, she shall: a) keep clear of other competitors and b) notify the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

16.2 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

17 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

17.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

17.2 [DP] When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.