



**Sail Canada  
Women's Keelboat National  
Championship  
Presented by Volvo  
September 15-18, 2016  
Hosted by the Britannia Yacht Club**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1. RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The Sail Canada Prescriptions will apply and can be seen at [http://www.sailing.ca/files/SC\\_Arbit\\_2013\\_16.pdf](http://www.sailing.ca/files/SC_Arbit_2013_16.pdf)
- 1.3 The boats used will be the International Shark 24 World class.
- 1.4 The International Shark Class Association (ISCA) Rules will apply [http://shark24.ca/pdf/ISCA\\_constitution\\_2013.pdf](http://shark24.ca/pdf/ISCA_constitution_2013.pdf).
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

**2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the "Bruce Neuk" room of the BYC club house.

**3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0830 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20.00 on the day before it will take effect.

**4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the mast located at the harbor entrance.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" in the race signal AP.

**5. SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 5.1 Racing will be held September 16, 17 and 18, 2016.
- 5.2 9 races are scheduled.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1100.
- 5.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.



5.5 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 15:30.

## **6. RACING AREAS**

6.1 Attachment A shows the location of the racing areas.

## **7. CLASS FLAG**

7.1 The Shark class flag will be used.

## **8. THE COURSES**

8.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show 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.

8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing to the first mark and the course number of the course to be sailed.

## **9. MARKS**

9.1 Mark 1 and the gate marks will be large orange pyramid shaped inflatables. Mark 1a(offset) will be a smaller orange pyramid shape.

9.2 New marks as provided in SI 11.1 will be yellow pyramid shaped inflatables. Mark 1a(offset) will be a smaller yellow pyramid shape.

## **10. THE START**

10.1 The starting line will be between a mast or staff displaying the orange flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.

10.2 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

10.3 If flag U has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boat's hull, crew, or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, shall be disqualified without a hearing but not if the race is restarted or resailed or postponed or abandoned before the starting signal. This changes rule 26.

## **11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark or gate 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 may be replaced by an original mark.

11.2 The new mark(s) may not be in position as the leg starts.



## 12. THE FINISH

12.1 The finishing line will be between the mast or staff displaying the orange flag on a race committee boat and the course side of the port- end finishing mark.

## 13. TIME LIMITS & TARGET TIMES

13.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

<b>Class</b>	<b>Mark 1 Time Limit</b>	<b>Race Time Limit</b>	<b>Target Time</b>
<b>Shark</b>	<b>25 minutes</b>	<b>15 minutes after first boat</b>	<b>50 minutes</b>

- 13.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a)
- 13.3 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

## 14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Protest forms are available at Regatta Office in the “Bruce Neuk”, 1<sup>st</sup> floor North West corner of clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the time limit.
- 14.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee boat has docked.
- 14.3 Notices will be posted no later than 10 minutes after the protest or request for redress has been filed to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located, BYC Board Room, south west corner of club house, 1<sup>st</sup> floor beginning as soon as possible.
- 14.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 14.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
  - no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.
- This changes rule 66.
- 14.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.



## **15 SCORING**

- 15.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 15.3 When from 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 15.4 Boats whose sail numbers do not correspond to those provided at registration may not be scored.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 16.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

## **17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW**

- 17.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the protest committee.

## **18 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

- 18.1 Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the protest committee.

## **19 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 19.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 19.2 Race Committee VHF Channel will be 6.

## **20 SAIL NUMBERS**

- 20.1 In the event that duplicate sail numbers are registered the Race Committee may require one of the numbers to be changed before racing. Priority will be given to preserving hull and sail number matches.

## **21 PRIZES**

- 21.1 Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place..
- 21.2 The Sail Canada Trophy for the Canadian Women's Sailing Championship will be awarded to the first placed boat.
- 21.3 All participants in the Championships will receive a souvenir.
- 21.4 The Prize giving will take place as soon as possible after racing is completed on Sunday.



## **22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

22.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **23 INSURANCE**

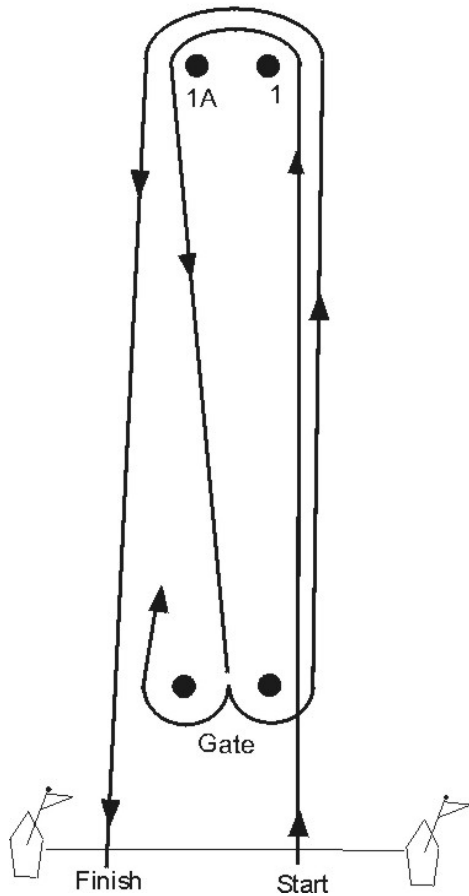
23.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$2,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.



# Attachment A

## COURSE 1

Leeward finish.  
Four Legs  
Start-1-1A-Gate-1-1A-Finish



## COURSE 2

Windward finish  
Five legs  
Start-1-1A-Gate-1-1A-Gate-Finish

