

HOOD RIVER YACHT CLUB



2018 DOUBLE DAMNED

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 US Sailing prescriptions to the following rules apply: RRS 40, 60, 61.4, 63.2, 63.4, 64.3(b), 67, 70.5(a), 76.1, 82, 88.2, Appendix G and R. Inclusion of additional US Sailing prescriptions may be noted elsewhere in the Sailing Instructions. US Sailing prescriptions are available at www.ussailing.org.

1.3 Changes to the rules may be noted elsewhere in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions. If the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions are in conflict, the Sailing Instructions have precedence.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Changes to the sailing instructions may be made verbally at the competitors meeting.

2.2 The Race Committee will communicate on VHF channel 72.

3. SCHEDULE

3.1 Saturday, August 4

5 Minute Warning Signal: 9:55 AM ; All classes start at 10:00 AM

3.2 In the event that commercial traffic interferes with the starting sequence, at the discretion of the race committee, the WARNING signal may be delayed to any other time announced by the race committee via VHF. Failure to hear announcement of delayed starting time shall not be grounds for redress.

4. CLASSES

4.1 All boats will be scored as a PHRF fleet. Additionally, one design classes with 5 or more entries will be scored.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be made from the flagpole adjacent to the CGRA race office.

5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after the removal of AP unless at that time the race is postponed again or abandoned. This changes RRS Race Signals AP.

7 COURSE

7.1 Boats may sail any course from the Start Line to the Finish Line, with the following requirements:

7.1.1 All boats must leave the Hood River Event Site Buoy, (Red Nun #36) to starboard.

7.1.2 When passing underneath the Hood River Bridge all boats are required to pass through the center channel bridge span. The area of the roadway on the bridge projected down to the water outside of center channel bridge span is a restricted area, and ranks as a continuing obstruction.

7.1.3 No boat shall pass beneath the Hood River Bridge span at the same time as commercial traffic. Doing so shall be grounds for disqualification.

8 THE START

8.1 The starting line will be between a Round Red Buoy at the north end of the line, and the flag pole on the shore adjacent to the CGRA race office.

8.2 The starting signals shall be as follows:

MINUTES BEFORE STARTING SIGNAL	FLAG
ATTENTION SIGNAL	NONE
5:00	CLASS FLAG (WHITE)
4:00	P FLAG (BLUE W/ WHITE CENTER)
1:00	P FLAG REMOVED
0:00 START	CLASS FLAG REMOVED

8.3 The race committee may determine that competitors are OCS. Sail numbers for OCS boats will be hailed by the race committee on VHF Channel 72. Failure to hear the hail shall not be grounds for redress.

8.4 Boats scored OCS shall be given a 10% scoring penalty.

8.5 Boats may not have a spinnaker, gennaker, blooper, or any other flying sail hoisted prior to the starting signal.

11 SHORTENING COURSE

11.1 The Race Committee may announce a shortened course at the competitors meeting.

11.2 Racers are responsible for recording their midpoint GPS time when passing beneath the Hood River Bridge lift span. Midpoint times may be used to determine scoring as needed, however full course times shall be scored before midpoint times in the event that not all boats complete the full course.

12 TIME LIMIT

12.1 No boats shall be finished after 2000 hours Saturday Aug 4. This changes RRS 35 and A4.

13 FINISHING

13.1 The finish line shall be approximately 1/4 mile BEFORE The Dalles Marina. The south end of the line shall be the large yellow hoist on a pier on the Oregon shore. The line shall extend across the river parallel to the northeast / southwest oriented section of the pier. The Race Committee shall be stationed on the pier. Racers are advised to finish in close visual proximity to the pier to ensure their finish is recorded by the Race Committee.

14 PROTESTS AND PENALTIES

14.1 Written protests and requests for redress must be delivered within the protest time limit to a representative of the protest committee near the finishing area.

14.2 The protest time limit will be 30 minutes after the last finisher crosses the line.

15 SCORING

15.1 The Low Point Scoring System (RRS Appendix A) shall be used.

15.2 Ratings shall be assigned using Nor Cal PHRF Downwind ratings as a basis.

15.3 Corrected PHRF handicapped times will be calculated on a time on time basis.

16 EQUIPMENT AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS

16.1 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

16.2 All boats must comply with the equipment requirements of US Sailing *US Safety Equipment Requirements* (USSER) Nearshore Category except as modified:

-3.8.2 : DSC / GPS capability not required in VHF radio.

-3.24.3 : This item not required.

16.3 All boats must meet applicable Coast Guard requirements.

16.4 All boats must be equipped with either an inboard or outboard auxiliary engine. Outboard motors may be stowed below decks.

16.5 A boat that retires from a race for any reason shall notify the fleet at the earliest opportunity on VHF channel 72, or call 541-490-0557.

16.6 Boats must keep clear of commercial traffic at all times.