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## 2020 Windermere Regatta

June 13/14, 2020  
Anacortes Yacht Club  
Anacortes, Washington

# 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 US Sailing Prescriptions to rules 63.2 and 63.4 are deleted.
- 1.3. The PIYA "Nearshore" requirements shall apply. [DP]
- 1.4. There shall not be more than 5 people on a boat during the regatta due to Covid-19 Phase 2 Reopening Restrictions.
- 1.5. Competitors shall comply with local Covid-19 and Social Distancing regulations. [DP]

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official **ON-LINE** notice board at <http://bit.ly/2020WindermereNoticeBoard>.
- 2.2. A competitor meeting will be held **ON-LINE** on Zoom at 0830 on Saturday, June 13. The link is: <https://bit.ly/2020WindermereCompetitorsBriefing>. The password is *1c9PwN* (zoom meeting id: 867 4312 8727). A representative from each competing boat shall attend. [DP]
- 2.3. The race committee will utilize VHF channel 72 for communications. Failure to do so, the failure to hear the communication, or any other issues regarding the communication shall not constitute grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted (see SI 2.1) before 0900 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.
- 3.2. Oral changes may be made to the sailing instructions by the Race Committee on the water by posting Code Flag L ("Come within hail") and communicating the change to each boat as they sail by. **Boats must come within hail of the RC Signal boat to acknowledge receiving the instruction change.** Changes will also be broadcast on VHF channel 72, but this does not supersede a boat's requirement to come within hail of the RC Signal boat.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole located in front of the AYC.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

**5. SCHEDULE**

Saturday, June 13	0830 - 0900	Competitor meeting on ZOOM <a href="https://bit.ly/2020WindermereCompetitorsBriefing">https://bit.ly/2020WindermereCompetitorsBriefing</a>
	<b>1100</b>	First Race Warning
	1600	No warning signal will be made after
Sunday, June 14	1000	First Race Warning
	1500	No warning signal will be made after

5.1. The race committee will start no more than six (6) races for each class on each day of racing.

**6. CLASS FLAGS**

- 6.1. Class flags will be numeric international code flags corresponding to each class.
- 6.2. Each class will be assigned an identifying color and class flag at the competitor meeting.
- 6.3. Colored ribbons corresponding to a boat's class will be issued in the competitor's packets and announced at the skippers meeting
- 6.4. Class ribbons shall be flown from the most visible location near the aft most part of the boat.

**7. RACING AREAS**

- 7.1. The racing area will be in the waters north of Guemes Island or alternatively Fidalgo Bay. The race committee reserves the right to move the course to another location if conditions and commercial traffic dictate.

**8. THE COURSES**

- 8.1. The diagram in Attachment 1 shows the racing area and fixed marks which may be used.
- 8.2. The race committee may also set a temporary Weather mark **A** and Leeward mark **B**.
- 8.3. The fixed marks will be assigned the following letters

C	Jack Island		S	Start Mark--Orange mark to left of RC boat if facing upwind at the start
D	Vendovi Island		F	Mark--Yellow mark on opposite side of RC from S
E	Eliza Island		A	Yellow or Orange temporary mark to Weather of RC
R	Lummi Rocks		B	Yellow or Orange temporary mark to Leeward of RC
W	R8			
Y	R4		Z	G5

- 8.4. All rounding marks are to be left to port.
- 8.5. No later than the warning signal, the race committee will designate the course by displaying a number representing the class or classes followed by a series of letters representing the marks of the course and the finish mark.
- 8.6. A race committee vessel may use its engine to hold position. This shall not constitute grounds for redress. This changes Rule 62.1(a).
- 8.7. Some starts may include multiple classes.

**9. THE START**

- 9.1. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 9.2. A limit buoy attached to the race committee signal vessel shall be considered part of the mark.

- 9.3. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. [DP][NP]
- 9.4. The Race Committee will attempt to hail the sail numbers of individually recalled boats on VHF channel 72. Failure to do so, the timing, the order of the hails, the failure to hear the hail, or any other issues regarding the hail shall not constitute grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 9.5. If the warning signal for a succeeding class is made with the starting signal of a preceding class, and if the preceding class has a general recall, then the class flag of the succeeding class will be removed and the start of the succeeding class will be considered abandoned without further signal. This changes Rule 26 and 27.3.

## 10. THE FINISH

- 10.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue or orange on the signal vessel nearest the finish mark and the course side of the finishing mark. **Note that for class management, any mark may be designated as the finish mark.**
- 10.2. Boats who have finished and are no longer racing shall avoid the finishing area so as to not interfere with boats racing. [DP][NP]
- 10.3. The race committee may finish boats in their relative position on the race course if it is impossible for them to beat any of the boats ahead of them on corrected time, in order to facilitate the timely start of the next race.

## 11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1. Appendix V1 of the RRS applies.

## 12. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 12.1. The time limit for the first boat in each class to finish is two (2) hours after her starting signal except if a mid distance race is run around marks E or R the time limit shall be three (3) hours.
- 12.2. Boats failing to finish within 45 minutes after the first boat in her class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes Rule 35, A4 and A5.
- 12.3. The target time for buoy races will be one (1) hour. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress.

## 13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1. Protest forms can be completed on-line at <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/>. Look for Windermere Regatta, or try this link: <https://bit.ly/2020WindermerProtest>
- 13.2. The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee signal boat returns to the dock.
- 13.3. All protests filed and an estimated hearing schedule will be posted on the official notice board no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 13.4. Hearings will be held on line, via Zoom, beginning 30 minutes after the protest time limit or earlier if all parties are available.
- 13.5. Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted (SI 2.1) and emailed and/or texted to affected participants using the contact information from their registration to inform boats under Rule 61.1(b). It is each boat's responsibility to ensure that their contact information is correct.
- 13.6. Breaches of SI [9.3](#), [10.2](#), and [18](#) will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. They are denoted with [NP] for "not protestable by competitor" This changes Rule 60.1(a).
- 13.7. On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 15 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes Rule 62.2.

13.8. If the race committee posts a list of boats scored OCS, ZFP, UFD or BFD on the official notice board before the protest time limit, a request for redress based on such a posted score shall be made no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit. This changes Rule 62.2. Other requests for redress based on posted scores shall be made no later than 30 minutes after the results are posted, or the protest time limit, whichever is later.

#### **14. SCORING**

- 14.1. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores (no discarded scores). This changes Rule A2.
- 14.2. PHRF classes shall be scored using Time-on-Time ratings. One-Design or Level classes shall be scored by the order of finish.

#### **15. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 15.1. Before the first warning signal of each day of racing all boats shall sail by the committee vessel, check in, and receive acknowledgement from a member of the Race Committee. [DP]
- 15.2. A boat that makes contact with a race committee vessel on station on the race course shall be responsible for all costs of the damage. This changes Rule 67.
- 15.3. Boats shall not impede the safe passage of a stand on vessel not racing and shall comply with the International Regulations for Prevention of Collisions at Sea, 1972 (72 COLREGS). [DP]
  - 15.3.1. It is strongly advised that all boats monitor commercial vessel traffic channels (VHF Channel 5 and 16) and AIS if possible.
  - 15.3.2. Any boat that fails to comply promptly with signals from a committee vessel to alter course, or that receives a 5-blast warning (5 short sounds) from a stand on vessel, shall be subject to protest for violating SI 15-Safety Regulations. [DP]
- 15.4. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible by sailing past the RC boat and hailing, or on VHF channel 72 or calling 801-PUGET-RC (801-784-3872). [DP]

#### **16. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 16.1. 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. [DP]

#### **17. PRIZES**

- 17.1. Prizes will be awarded to the top boat in each class.
- 17.2. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

#### **18. RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, & PERSONAL CONDUCT**

- 18.1. Competitors participate in the regatta at their own risk. See Rule 4 (Decision to Race). The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 18.2. Competitors will accept full responsibility for their actions during any activity related to this event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta. [DP][NP]

#### **19. INSURANCE**

- 19.1. Each participating keelboat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000 per incident or the equivalent. [DP]

## ATTACHMENT 1 – COURSE DIAGRAM

Courses for each class will be defined by a placard on the committee boat bearing a number representing the class and a series of letters representing the course. All rounding marks are to be left to port.

### Example Course – 1:SWZF

Class 1; Start, Round R8 to Port, G5 to Port, Finish to North between RC and F

### Example Course – 3+4:SDWS

Class 3 and 4; Start, Round Vendovi Island to Port, Round R8 to Port, Finish to the South between RC and S

