

## **Skipper/Owner Waiver and Release 2026**

**THIS DOCUMENT HAS IMPORTANT LEGAL CONSEQUENCES. YOU SHOULD GET APPROPRIATE LEGAL OR OTHER ADVICE BEFORE SIGNING IT.**

I acknowledge that this event, the Pacific NW Offshore International Yacht Race (PNWO) with title sponsor Schooner Creek Boat Works, is being organized by the Portland Yacht Club (PYC or Organizing Authority).

I recognize that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury associated with it. I have read the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 3, Decision to Race, and hereby acknowledge and agree that I am participating in this event, PNWO, entirely at my own risk.

I also understand the contagious nature of Covid-19 and other communicable diseases and voluntarily assume that I may be exposed to Covid-19 or other diseases by attending or participating in the PNWO events or activities and that such exposure may result in illness or personal injury. I understand that the risk of being exposed to the diseases in the PNWO may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including but not limited to PYC officers, sponsors, volunteers, program participants and their friends or families.

I acknowledge and agree that the Race Organizers (Organizing Authority, its officers, directors, members, employees, volunteers, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, any other organization or official supporting the race, and any one or more of them, their successors, executors, administrators, heirs and assigns) will not be responsible for (a) any damage to the entered sailboat (yacht) or my other property, or (b) any injury to myself or my crew, including death, sustained as a result of the participation of myself, my crew, and the sailboat in this event.

I hereby waive any rights and any and all claims, demands, cause of action and judgments I may have against the Race Organizers with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by myself as a result of my participation in this event and hereby release the Race Organizers from any liability for such injury or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law, even if caused by negligence.

I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that myself, my crew, and the entered sailboat (yacht) are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law or that a prudent sailor would consider advisable.

I understand this document has important legal consequences and have consulted such legal and other advisors as I deem appropriate before signing.

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Skipper's Name Printed (Person in charge of the sailboat during the race.)

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Skipper's Signature Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Owner's Name Printed (If Skipper is not the owner of the sailboat.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Signature (If Skipper is not the owner of the sailboat.)

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Name of Sailing Vessel

### **Parent / Guardian Waiver for Minors (Skippers Under 18 years old)**

The undersigned parent and natural guardian does hereby represent that he/she is, in fact, acting in such capacity, has consented to his/her child or ward's participation in the 2026 Pacific NW Offshore International Yacht Race (PNWO), and has agreed individually and on behalf of the child or ward, to the terms of the Skipper/Crew Waiver and Release 2026 set forth above. On behalf of the minor and the undersigned parents or legal guardian, the parent or guardian further agrees to release and waive any and all claims, demands, cause of action and judgments against PYC, its officers, directors, members, employees, volunteers, and agents, and any one or more of them, their successors, executors, administrators, heirs and assigns against PYC related in any way to my child or ward's participation in the PNWO race and all related activities.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian's Signature (If Skipper/Owner is a minor

(End of Skipper/Owner Waiver)