



Vancouver Rowing Club

Summer Regatta

Sailing Instructions

July 11 and 12, 2015

Effective July 9, 2015 @ 1500h

1 RULES

- 1.1 Races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 and the rules of PHRF BC except where they are modified by these instructions.
- 1.2 Competing yachts must have an up to date PHRF certificate if competing in Division 2, 3 or 7. Division 1 yachts require an up to date ORC certificate.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 This event is designated Category C.

3 ENTRIES, REGISTRATION, AND FEES

- 3.1 All yachts shall comply with Rule 75.1.
- 3.2 All skippers must be a member in good standing of a club recognized by its national authority.

4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 4.1 Notices will be posted on the notice board at the east gate of the VRC by 0900h on race days.

5 COMMUNICATION

- 5.1 Communication will be on VHF channel 68.
- 5.2 All participants must check in with the race committee prior to the first race each day. Participants who fail to do so may be scored DNC.
- 5.3 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 phones.
- 5.4 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the committee boat at the time of retiring and must confirm that the committee has received their notice of intent to retire.

6 INSURANCE



6.1 All Yachts must carry a minimum liability insurance of \$2,000,000.00.

7 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1 Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the notice board at the east gate of the VRC before 0900h on the day they will take effect. If any changes are made the committee will make an announcement on VHF channel 68 before the first race of the day.

8 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

8.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the base of the VRC Mast tower.

8.2 When flag "AP" is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes'.

9 SCHEDULE

9.1 The warning signal for the first race for each day is scheduled for 1055h.

9.2 Additional races will follow at the discretion of the Race Committee. The Race Committee may, as courtesy, fly the "R" flag as boats are finishing to indicate that racing may continue.

10 DIVISIONS

10.1 The classes shall be:

Division 1 – ORC 610.0 or less

Division 2 – PHRF 60-99

Division 3 – PHRF 100-173

Division 7 – PHRF 174-275

11 RACING AREA

11.1 The race will take place in the vicinity of English Bay/Burrard Inlet.

12 RACE COURSE AND MARKS

12.1 The Course is either to be sailed as shown in the diagrams in Appendix A or Marks are to be rounded in the sequence they appear on the course board, which will be displayed on the committee boat.

12.2 The race committee may fly signal flag "TANGO" indicating the course is to be sailed twice around. Yachts are required to pass through the finish line after the first round in the direction from the last mark.

12.3 When the signal flag "TANGO" is flying, the finish line is considered a gate. The race committee may take finishing times at this gate and may use them as an official finish position in the event of a shortened course. The race committee may also take times at any mark rounding and use them as an official finish position

12.4 If a single letter is indicated on the course board, the course will be as follows:

"W" - Windward/Leeward – see diagram, Appendix A

"X" - Triangle Course – see diagram, Appendix A

"Y" - Bermuda Course – see diagram, Appendix A

"Z" - Modified Windward/Leeward – see diagram, Appendix A

12.5 If multiple letters are indicated course board, the marks will be as follows:



“A” Point Grey Bell Buoy

“B” Kits Barge Buoy

“C” Passage Island

“D” QC Buoy

“G” VRC Anchored Mark - position will be broadcast @ 10:45 on channel 68

“H” VRC Anchored Mark - position will be broadcast @ 10:45 on channel 68

“J” VRC Anchored Mark - position will be broadcast @ 10:45 on channel 68

“S” Gate between a staff on the race committee vessel displaying an orange flag and a pin or mark displaying an orange flag (the Start pin)

“F” Gate between a staff on the race committee vessel displaying an orange flag and a pin or mark displaying a blue flag (the Finish pin)

12.6 A change of the next leg of the course will be signaled according to RRS 33.

13 MARKS

13.1 VRC Anchored Marks will be yellow or orange inflatable tetrahedrons.

13.2 All marks shall be left to port unless a green flag is flying indicating that the marks are to be left to starboard.

14 THE START

14.1 Races will be started using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

14.2 The Start line will be between a staff on the race committee vessel displaying an orange flag and a pin or mark displaying an orange flag.

14.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after the starting signal may be scored “Did Not Start”. This modifies rules A4 and A5.

15 RECALLS

15.1 Recalls shall be signalled in accordance with rule 29.

15.2 If any part of a boat’s hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line when the start signal goes the committee will attempt to broadcast her sail number on VHF Channel 68. Failure to do so or the sequence of the broadcasts will not be grounds for redress. This modifies rule 62.1(a).

16 THE FINISH

16.1 The finish will be between a staff on the race committee vessel displaying an orange flag and a pin or mark displaying a blue flag.

16.2 The race committee may take times at any mark rounding or gate and use them as an official finish position.

17 TIME LIMITS AND PROTESTS

17.1 No finishes will be recorded after 1600h. If one boat finishes within the time limit, there will be a 30



minute extension to 1630h for that division only.

- 17.2 The Race Committee must be notified by VHF or hail of a protest or request for redress within 30 minutes of the last boat's recorded finish for the race that the incident occurred.
- 17.3 Protests must be filed, in writing, with the PRO or VRC Race Officer by 17:30h
- 17.4 Notices will be posted by the mast tower no later than 17:45h to inform competitors of the hearing in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 17.5 The hearing(s) will be held commencing at 18:00h in the VRC Boardroom.
- 17.6 If the protest is not heard on the day of the event involved boats and witnesses will be notified of the time and location at least 24 hours before the hearing.

18 PENALTIES

- 18.1 Rule A4.2 and Rule A9 are modified. The following scoring will be used
 - 18.1.1 DNF (Did Not Finish) will be scored Number of registrants +1
 - 18.1.2 DNS (Did Not Start) will be scored Number of registrants +1
 - 18.1.3 DNC (Did Not Compete) will be scored Number of registrants +1
 - 18.1.4 TLE (Time Limit Expired) will be scored Number of finishers +1

19 SCORING

- 19.1 Appendix A of the low point scoring system will apply.
- 19.2 One race is required to constitute a series.
- 19.3 For every 4 races scored in the series 1 "throw out" will be granted. **This changes rule A2.**
- 19.4 The VRC Summer Regatta 2015 is comprised of racing over two days; if conditions permit, more than one race may be held on a given day. This modifies 8.3 of the Notice of Race

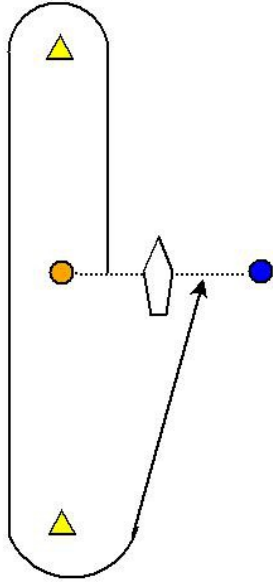
20 SAFETY


- 20.1 Safety Requirements are PIYA Category 3.

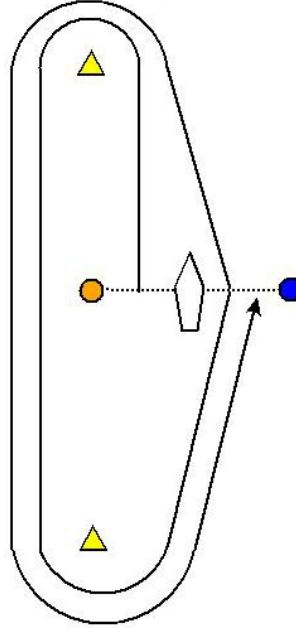


Appendix A

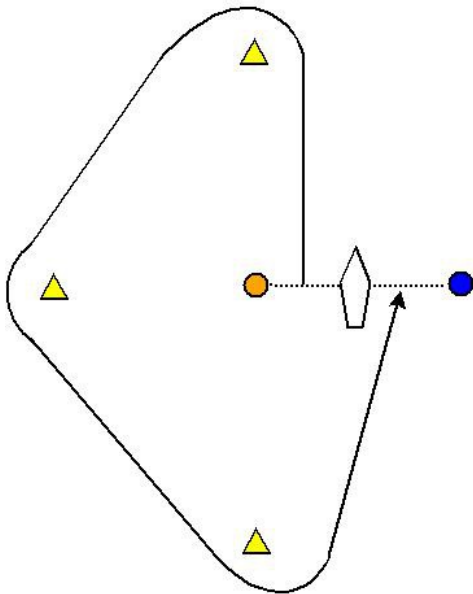
Course W
Windward - Leeward
(Port-Rounding Shown)




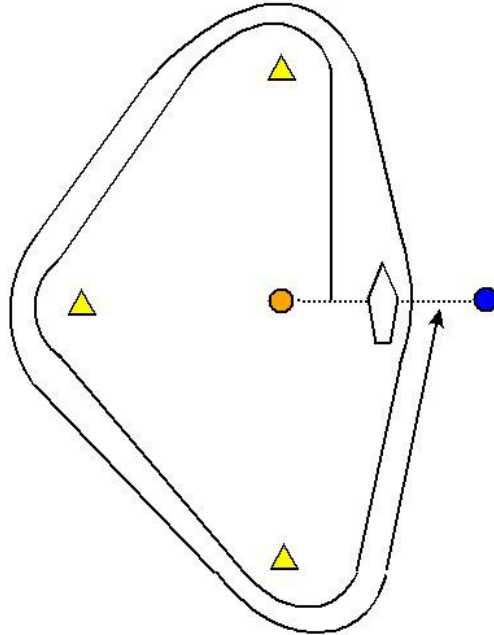
Course W with Tango Flag 
Windward - Leeward Twice Around
(Port-Rounding Shown)



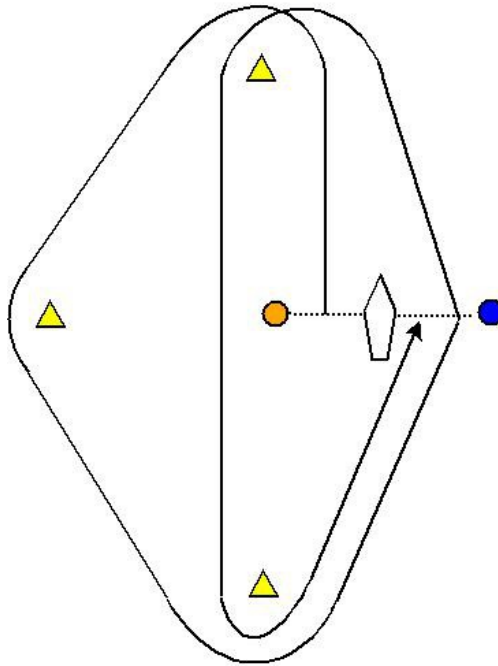
Course X
Triangle Course
(Port-Rounding Shown)




Course X with Tango Flag 
Triangle Course Twice Around
(Port-Rounding Shown)



Course Y
Bermuda Course
(Port-Rounding Shown)



Course Z - Modified 
Windward - Leeward
(Starboard-Rounding Shown)

