

Notice of Race

VRC Summer Regatta 2018
July 14th & 15th



General Administration Information

The VRC Summer Regatta 2018 is organized and conducted by the Vancouver Rowing Club. The fleet will be divided into divisions and classes according to PHRF handicaps at the discretion of the Race Committee and the Vancouver Area Racing Council (VARC). This is a VARC event and VARC division splits will be used for Boats registered with VARC. Also see the VARC NOR.

Regatta Web Site

Periodic updates and the very latest information on the regatta can be found on the VRC Racing web site at: <http://vrcracing.ca/summerregatta/>

Regatta Headquarters

The Vancouver Rowing Club is located at 450 Stanley Park Drive which can be found at the Georgia Street entrance to Stanley Park.

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Moorage

Free moorage at VRC will be available for visiting Boats, as space allows, from Friday night through to Sunday afternoon. Arrangements should be made thru the VRC office as early as possible. Boats must register with the club office prior to arrival, 604-687-3400



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1 Rules

- 1.1** The Organizing Authority for this Regatta is the Vancouver Rowing Club, in association with Vancouver Area Racing Circuit (VARC).
- 1.2** The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.3** Boats entering the Regatta with PHRF certificates shall comply with the rules of PHRF-BC. Boats entering the Regatta with ORC certificates shall comply with the rules of the Offshore Racing Congress.
- 1.4** This Notice of Race supersedes the VARC Notice of Race, portions of which are incorporated by reference in sections 2, 3.6, 8.8
- 1.5** A Boat that intends to fly sails that display numbers different than its registered sail number shall report those numbers to the Race Committee (RC) by email at raceofficer@vrcregatta.ca at or before 1300 hours Thursday, July 12, 2018. Failure to comply may be subject to protest by the Race Committee.

2 Advertising

Boats wishing to be scored in the VARC series may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority defined in VARC Notice of Race Section 2.

3 Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1** The Regatta is open to all Boats possessing a valid ORC, PHRF-BC, or PHRF-NW certificate for 2018, proof of insurance, and meet all requirements as stated in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.
- 3.2** Ratings will be adjusted if required by Vancouver Rowing Club's handicapper in order to align PHRF-BC and PHRF-NW ratings. A Boat entered in a PHRF-scored division that does not possess a valid PHRF-BC certificate will be assigned a courtesy rating by the Vancouver Rowing Club's handicapper. This rating cannot be appealed.
- 3.3** In the event that a Boat's rating has been changed after the entry has been accepted, the skipper is required to notify the Racing Officer by email to: raceofficer@vrcregatta.ca. No rating changes will be accepted after 1300 hours Thursday July 12, 2018. Failure to provide a valid and correct rating may result in protest by the Race Committee. In addition, all ratings are subject to review by the Race Committee.
- 3.4** For Boats Racing Under an ORC Handicap:
 - (a)** All Boats shall have a valid ORC Club or ORCi Certificate.
 - (b)** In the event that a Boat's rating has been changed by its National Rating Office or the central ORC Rating Office after the entry has been accepted the skipper is required to notify the Racing Officer by email to: raceofficer@vrcregatta.ca. All ratings will be verified against the ORC database. Boats that do not have an active rating in the ORC by 1300 hours Thursday July 12, 2018 will not be scored.
 - (c)** All Boats are reminded that full compliance with the prescriptions of their ORC rating is required, including maximum crew weights. The Organizing



Authority may schedule a crew weigh-in, or it may randomly audit crew weights in Boats that are racing.

3.5 All PHRF or ORC certificates must be submitted at or before 1300 hours, Thursday July 12, 2018. No further competitor-initiated rating changes will be accepted after that time.

3.6 Boats shall comply with safety and equipment provisions of the VARC Notice of Race paragraph 1.5.

4 Registration & Fees

4.1 The Entry Fee is \$70.00 per Boat if the entry is received on or before 2359 hours, Saturday July 7, 2018. The Entry Fee is \$85.00 for Boats that register after midnight Sunday July 8, 2018.

4.2 Boats must register at <https://www.vancouverrowingclub.ca> at or before 2359 hours Wednesday July 11, 2018. Boats that fail to register and pay at or before 2359 hours Wednesday July 11, 2018 may not be scored.

5 Schedule of Events

5.1 Saturday July 7, 2018, 2359 hours – Early Bird Registration Deadline

5.2 Wednesday July 11, 2018, 2359 hours – Closing date for race entries

5.3 Thursday July 12, 2018, 1300 hours – Closing date for competitor-initiated rating changes and declaration of alternate sail numbers

5.4 Friday July 13, 2018, 1800 hours, Carver Bar, VRC – Kick-Off Party
1930 hours, Skipper's Meeting

5.5 Saturday July 14, 2018 & Sunday July 15, 2018 – Summer Regatta

(a) The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1055 hours.

(b) There may be more than one race on each race day.

(c) There will be one day of course racing and one day of coastal racing.

(d) There will be no starts after 1630 hours on Saturday and no starts after 1530 hours on Sunday.

5.6 Saturday July 14, 2018, 1900 hours, VRC Harbour Room – Lobster Fest & Summer Regatta Party

5.7 Sunday July 15, 2018, Carver Bar – Closing Party & Announcement of Results

6 Divisions & Classes

6.1 Boats will be assigned to divisions based on their handicap rating or classification as follows:

Div. 1 (pennant 1): ORC GPH 610.0 or less

Div. 2 (pennant 2): PHRF rating of 60-99

Div. 3 (pennant 3): PHRF rating of 100-173

Div. 7 (pennant 7): PHRF rating of 174-275



7 Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be available at or before 2359 hours Thursday July 12, 2018 at <http://vrcracing.ca/summerregatta>.

8 Scoring

- 8.1** The low point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 8.2** Boats not properly registered will not be scored.
- 8.3** One race shall constitute a series.
- 8.4** DNF, OCS, RAF, DSQ, & DNS boats will be scored one more than the number of boats that come to the start area in that Boat's division.
See RRS A9.
- 8.5** DNC Boats will be scored one more than the number of boats that have registered in the regatta for that boat's division.
- 8.6** In Divisions 1 and 2, all boats that provide an ORC certificate are eligible to be scored ORC for an overall VRC Summer Regatta ORC Course Racing Championship.
- 8.7** Regardless of division, all Boats that provide an ORC certificate are eligible to be scored ORC for an overall VRC Summer Regatta ORC Coastal Racing Championship.
- 8.8** VARC series scoring will be completed by the VARC scorer in accordance with VARC Notice of Race Section 10.

9 Radio Communication

Except in an emergency, a Boat shall neither make radio transmission while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all Boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

10 Race Tracking

Boats are strongly encouraged to use RaceQs to track their race and to upload their tracks as soon after racing as possible.

11 Disclaimer of Liability

Boats and their crews participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

12 Insurance

Each participating Boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

13 Sponsors

We wish to acknowledge the generous contributions of our sponsor, without whose support the VRC Summer Regatta would not be possible:

Evolution Sails Vancouver

Red Truck Beer Company



14 Further Information

- 14.1** For further information please contact Jennifer Ross, Racing Officer, at raceofficer@vrcracing.ca.
- 14.2** Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions and other race information can be found online at <http://vrcracing.ca/summerregatta/>
- 14.3** Boats may register online at:
[https://www.vancouverrowingclub.ca/Club_Info_\(1\)/Online_Payments/Yachting_Payments/Summer_Regatta_Registration.aspx](https://www.vancouverrowingclub.ca/Club_Info_(1)/Online_Payments/Yachting_Payments/Summer_Regatta_Registration.aspx)
- 14.4** Summer Regatta Dinner and T-Shirts may be purchased at:
[https://www.vancouverrowingclub.ca/Club_Info_\(1\)/Online_Payments/Yachting_Payments/Summer_Regatta_Dinner_Tshirt_Donation.aspx](https://www.vancouverrowingclub.ca/Club_Info_(1)/Online_Payments/Yachting_Payments/Summer_Regatta_Dinner_Tshirt_Donation.aspx)

