Vancouver Rowing Club Remembrance Day Race Notice of Race w/Amendment #1 (Nov 9 2018)

1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing and the rules of PHRF-BC.
- 1.2 All boats must comply with Transport Canada and Canadian Coast Guard regulations, and World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Category 4 with Sail Canada Prescriptions, and as amended in this section.
 - (a) A tubular type, commercially available radar reflector permanently mounted within 15 degrees of vertical and meeting the minimum effective height requirement shall be considered compliant with OSR 4.10.1.
 - (b) Compliance with 4.26.2(a)(ii) (alternative means to attach the luff to the stay) is recommended but shall not be required. A roller furling headsail or #3 or smaller jib, suitable for heavy weather, shall be considered compliant with OSR 4.26.2(a).
 - (c) Lifejackets or PFDs meeting applicable government requirements shall be considered compliant with OSR 5.01.1 (lifejacket specifications), provided that
 - i. inflatable devices are fitted with crotch or thigh straps (ride up prevention system (RUPS));
 - ii. inherently buoyant devices are fitted with crotch or thigh straps (ride up prevention system (RUPS)) or if the user has taken alternative measures to ensure the device does not ride up;
 - (d) A propulsion engine is required. While racing, a boat shall also carry sufficient fuel for safety purposes such as crew-overboard recovery and to motor from the farthest point on the course to the host venue docks, the boat's home port, or a safe harbour, whichever is closer, in the forecasted conditions.
 - (e) Carriage of the number of fire extinguishers required by law shall be considered as compliant with OSR 4.05.2 (Fire Fighting Equipment).
 - (f) A depth sounder is recommended. This changes rule OSR 4.13.2 (Depth, Speed and Distance Instruments).
 - (g) Carriage of the pyrotechnic signals required by law shall be considered as compliant with OSR 4.23 (pyrotechnic and light signals). SOLAS flares are permissible but not required.
 - (h) Boats designated as one design by World Sailing, whose one design class rule conflicts with OSR section 3 requirements (structural features, stability, fixed equipment):
 - i. shall not be penalized for non-compliance with OSR section 3 that is a result of conflict with their one design class rule,
 - ii. shall have all crew wearing lifejackets or PFDs while racing,
 - iii. shall carry at least two thermal protective aids or other devices for treating crew following a crew overboard incident,
 - iv. in the absence of class rule compliance with OSR 3.14 (pulpit, stanchion

and lifelines), shall carry at least one harness and safety line (tether) and have attachment point(s) to reduce crew overboard risk when working forward of the mast.

- 1.3 A boat that impedes or obstructs commercial traffic may be subject to disqualification. A boat that is the subject of five horns from commercial traffic may be subject to protest and disqualification.
- 1.4 Boats that intend to fly sails that display numbers other than her official sail number shall report those numbers to the Race Committee (RC) by email at racing@vancouverrowingclub.ca at or before the scheduled first warning signal for the day. Failure to comply may be subject to protest by the Race Committee.

2. Advertising

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. Eligibility and Entry

The regatta is open to all boats belonging to an accredited yacht club, possessing a valid PHRF-BC certificate, and proof of insurance, that meets all requirements as stated in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.

4. Registration & Fees

- **4.1** Registration Fee: None
- 4.2 Competitors must register at http://vrcracing.ca/remembrance/ prior to racing. Boats that fail to register by 2300 hrs of the day prior to racing may not be scored.

5. Schedule

- **5.1** The Remembrance Day Race is on 11 November 2018.
- There will be two minutes of silence at 1100 hrs. No engine use is permitted except in an emergency during the two minutes of silence.
- The race will be a pursuit start. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first boat(s) to start is 1105 hrs.
- The starting sequence and timing of the pursuit start of registered boats will be posted on http://vrcracing.ca/remembrance/ at 2300 hrs on 10 November 2018.

6. Measurements

- **6.1** Each boat shall produce a valid PHRF-BC rating certificate for 2018.
- Boats without a valid PHRF-BC certificate are welcome to attend and will be assigned a rating by the Racing Officer.

7. Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions are available at http://vrcracing.ca/remembrance/.

8. Scoring

- **8.1** The low point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.
- **8.2** Boats not properly registered will not be scored.
- **8.3** One race shall constitute a series.
- **8.4** Participating boats not registered in the Polar Bear Series will not be scored in the Polar Bear Series.
- 8.5 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 Racing Rules of Sailing A9.
- **8.6** DNC boats will be scored one more than the number of boats that have registered in the series for that boat's division.

9. Prizes

- 9.1 Awards to the top three finishers will be presented during the 2019 VRC Volunteer Appreciation and Awards Dinner on October 19, 2019 at the Vancouver Rowing Club.
- **9.2** All boats are welcome to return to VRC for post-race results and the Evolution Sails Vancouver door prize raffle.

10. 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.

11. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

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 sponsors, without whose support the VRC Remembrance Day Race would not be possible: Evolution Sails Vancouver

14. Further Information

For further information please contact Jennifer Ross, Racing Officer, at RaceOfficer@vrcracing.ca