



Single Handed “Anything Goes” Race 2018

Sailing Instructions

September 22, 2018

1 RULES

- 1.1** The race will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*. The race will also be governed by the rules of PHRF B.C. except where they are modified by these instructions.
- 1.2** Boats must have an up to date PHRF certificate. A temporary “Club” rating may be assigned with the understanding that the competing boat must apply for a proper PHRF Certificate. Any races a boat sails with a “club” rating will be re-scored using the rating assigned by PHRF when it becomes available. Club ratings are not subject to appeal.
- 1.3** Boats intending to sail with “No Flying Sails” (NFS) may request a rating adjustment. This request must be received by the race officer no later than 1700h on Thursday, September 20th. Requests may be sent to racing@vancouverrowingclub.ca.
- 1.4** Autopilot and/or wind powered self-steering gear are allowed. This modifies RRS 52.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1** Notices will be posted on the notice board at the east gate of the VRC by 0900h on race day.
- 2.2** Notices will also be posted to the “VRC Racing” Facebook feed at <https://www.facebook.com/VRC-Racing-760811647306598/>

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1** All radio communication will be on VHF channel 73. This modifies NOR 8.1 and 10.1.
- 3.2** All boats must check in with the race committee prior to the race. Boats that fail to do so may be scored DNC.
- 3.3** 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.
- 3.4** 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 her notice of intent to retire.

4 INSURANCE

- 4.1** All boats must carry liability insurance with coverage of \$1,000,000.00 per incident or the equivalent.

5 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900h on the day of the race. If any changes are made the committee will make an announcement on VHF channel 73 at 1045h.

6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

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

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

7 SCHEDULE

7.1 The warning signal is scheduled for 1055h, Saturday the 22nd of September, 2018.

8 DIVISIONS

8.1 There may be more than one division depending upon the number of competitors. If 3 or more boats have requested an NFS rating adjustment they may be scored in a separate NFS division.

8.2 The divisions will be decided by 1900h on Friday, September 21st and will be emailed to skippers, posted to the [VRC Racing](#) website and the VRC Racing Facebook feed.

9 RACING AREA

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

10 RACE COURSE AND MARKS

10.1 The Marks are to be rounded in the sequence they appear on the course board, which will be displayed on the committee boat.

10.2 Mark positions and/or freighter identification shall be made by radio on VHF channel 73 at 1045h.

10.3 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 on each windward leg.

10.4 The letters/marks are as follows:

"A" Point Grey Bell Buoy "B" Kits Barge Buoy

"C" Passage Island

"D" QC Buoy

"E" VRC Anchored

"F" VRC Anchored Mark

"W" Anchored Freighter

"Z" Anchored Freighter

"S" Start Pin

11 MARKS

11.1 The start/finish pin will be a "pin" with an orange flag.

11.2 VRC Anchored Marks will be yellow inflatable tetrahedrons.

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

12 THE START

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

12.2 The Start/Finish line will be between a staff on the race committee vessel displaying an orange flag and the start/finish pin.

12.3 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after the starting signal may be scored "Did Not Start". This modifies RRS A4 and A5.

13 RECALLS

13.1 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 73. Failure to do so will not be grounds for redress. This modifies RRS 62.1(a).

14 THE FINISH

14.1 The finish will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat and the start/finish pin.

14.2 The race committee may take times at any mark rounding and use them as an official finish position. This modifies RRS 32.1.

15 AWARDS

15.1 Awards for first, second and third place will be presented at the annual VRC Awards Night, October 13, 2018.

15.2 Beyond 1 – 3 place, there may be prizes awarded following racing for:

(a) Top rookie

(b) Top female

(c) Best tale of survival – as voted on by a committee in the bar after the race

(d) Turtle Trophy – Last boat to finish (elapsed time)

16 TIME LIMITS AND PROTESTS

16.1 No finishes will be recorded after 1600h. If one boat finishes within the time limit, there will be a 30 minute extension to 1630hrs for that division only.

16.2 Protests must be filed with the race committee by 1830h.

16.3 Protests will be heard by the protest committee as soon as is possible. 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.

17 SAFETY

17.1 The first and second sentences of RRS 40 are deleted and replaced by: "Each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device (PFD), properly secured from the warning signal until clearing the finish line except when temporarily adding or removing clothing." This changes RRS 40.

18 SCORING

18.1 Appendix A of the low point scoring system will apply.