



Single Handed “Anything Goes” (SHAG) Race 2020

September 26, 2020

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Race will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The class rules for all boats shall be the rules of PHRF of British Columbia (PHRF BC), other class rules, unless required by PHRF BC, shall not be enforced.
- 1.3 Yachts must have a valid an up-to-date PHRF-BC rating certificate. However, Vancouver Rowing Club (VRC) may assign a temporary handicap rating to any boat entering this race that does not have a valid PHRF certificate.
- 1.4 The Racing Rules of Sailing will be changed or modified in the Sailing Instructions as follows:
 - (a) Use of autopilot and/or wind powered self-steering gear are permitted. **This modifies RRS 52.**
 - (b) The Race Committee may attempt to hail boats that are OCS (On Course Side), however failure to do so will not be grounds for redress. **This modifies RRS 41 and RRS 62.1(a).**
 - (c) The Race committee may attempt to hail the fleet by VHS. Failure to note a shortened course or other race instruction due to not monitoring your radio will not be considered valid grounds for redress. **This modifies RRS 41 and RRS 62.1(a).**
 - (d) No finishes will be recorded after 15:00 hours. If however, at least one boat finishes by 15:00 hours, the deadline will be extended by half an hour. In this situation, boats failing to finish (but still racing) by 15:30 hours will be scored ‘Did Not Finish’ (DNF). **This changes RRS 35.**
- 1.5 Boats shall not impede or obstruct commercial traffic.
- 1.6 Retiring boats shall confirm the race committee is notified of their retirement before leaving the course area.
- 1.7 The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 This is a single-handed regatta.
- 2.2 There shall be only one human on board a boat between its warning signal and its finish.

3 REGISTRATION AND FEES

- 3.1 The fee of \$10.00 must be submitted along with your entry form to the VRC Race Committee prior to racing.
- 3.2 Competitors must register at [SHAG Registration Link](#) before 21:00 hours on Friday, September 25, 2020.
- 3.3 Boats that fail to register and pay at or before 21:00 hours Friday, September 25, 2020 may not be scored.

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 One race will take place on Saturday September 26, 2020.
- 4.2 The warning signal for the race is scheduled for 10:55 hours.
- 4.3 No starting signal will be made after 12:30 hours.
- 4.4 There will be no shore-side activities following the race due to COVID-19. Results will be posted online at the VRC Racing website following the race.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available on the VRC Racing website, <http://vrccracing.ca/> before 23:00 hours Thursday, September 24, 2020.

6 VENUE

- 6.1 The race will take place in the vicinity of English Bay.

7 COURSES

- 7.1 Course options will be specified in the Sailing Instructions describing marks, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8 DIVISIONS

- 8.1 There may be multiple divisions.
- 8.2 Division splits/warning signal(s) will be posted online at <http://vrccracing.ca> or communicated via email to all registered skippers or announced by the Race Committee via VHF on channel 68 prior to the first warning signal.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 One race shall constitute a regatta.
- 9.2 The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will not apply.
- 9.3 This race will be scored using Time on Time calculations from PHRF handicaps.

10 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 10.1 **Communication will be on VHF 68.** Competitors may ask questions of the Race Committee on channel 68 for course clarification only prior to their warning signal. **This modifies RRS 41.**
- 10.2 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 PRIZES

- 11.1 Awards will be presented to the top three boats based on corrected finish time at the annual VRC Volunteer Appreciation and Awards Dinner in the Fall

12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 12.1 Competitors 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. The decision to race or not to race resides solely with the owner and operator of each vessel and any advice received or the failure to provide any particular advice from VRC or the race committee shall not result in any liability to the organizing authority

13 PUBLICITY

- 13.1 Competitors consent in perpetuity to the use including publication on various media, including but not limited to social media platforms, of images or video and audio of their likeness and boats, for publicity or advertising purposes connected to Vancouver Rowing Club.

14 INSURANCE

- 14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$2,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 15.1 For further information please contact Jennifer Ross, VRC Racing Officer at raceoffier@vracing.ca.