

# Oakville Yacht Squadron

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## 2018 CLUB RACING SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### With Amendment 01 – May 5/2018

*The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.*

#### 1. RULE

- 1.1. These races will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2017-2021) including Sail Canada prescriptions and as modified by these sailing instructions.

#### 2. NOTICES AND CHANGES

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official racing Notice Board in the main Oakville Yacht Squadron (OYS) clubhouse.
- 2.2. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than 1700 on the day it will take effect. Code flag 'L' shall be displayed on the OYS flagpole to notify sailors of the change. Skippers are advised to check the Notice Board prior to leaving the dock.

#### 3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the OYS flagpole.
- 3.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore "1 minute" is replaced by "not less than 30 minutes" in the race signal AP.

#### 4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

SERIES	DATES	SCHEDULED WARNING SIGNAL
Spring Series	May 20, 27*, June 3, 10*	13:00
Wed Series A	May 16, 30, June 13, 27, July 11, 25, Aug 8, 22, Sep 5	See SI 4.2
Thu Series A	May 17, 31, June 14, 28, July 12, 26, Aug 9, 23, Sep 6	See SI 4.2
Wed Series B	May 23, June 6, 20, July 4, 18, Aug 1, 15, Sep 12	See SI 4.2
Thu Series B	May 24, June 7, 21, July 5, 19, Aug 2, 16, 30, Sep 13	See SI 4.2
Fall Series	Sep 9*, 16, 23*, 30**, Oct 7***	13:00

\* Oakville Challenge Cup, \*\* Turkey Bowl Race, \*\*\*Bluenose Race

- 4.1. Abandoned races will not be re-sailed.
- 4.2. The scheduled first warning signal for weeknight racing is as follows:
  - 4.2.1. Races held before and including Thursday, August 9 the warning signal will be at 18:50
  - 4.2.2. Races held after Thursday, August 9 the warning signal will be 18:20

## 5. CLASSES & FLEETS

- 5.1. Fleets and classes will be posted on the Notice Board with their corresponding starts and courses to be sailed.
- 5.2. Four or more boats of the same design may constitute a class.

## 6. THE COURSES

- 6.1. The Start Line will be located approximately 1.0 mile from the Oakville Harbour Lighthouse on a heading of 130°.
- 6.2. Course diagrams are shown in Attachment 2.
- 6.3. Course marks will be yellow tetrahedrons or yellow cylindrical buoys.
- 6.4. Spring Series, Fall Series, Turkey Race, Pursuit Race and Bluenose Race will start off the Oakville Harbor and the course will be posted on the official racing Notice Board in the main Oakville Yacht Squadron (OYS) clubhouse at least one hour before the Warning Signal.

## 7. THE START

- 7.1. Races will be started by using Rule 26 of the RRS.
- 7.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat and the course side of an orange tetrahedron.
- 7.3. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. [DP]
- 7.4. If the race committee intends to start all boats in a single start, flag "F" (Foxtrot) will be used as the class flag for that start. A single fleet start for all boats will be signaled by the Committee Boat flying flag "F" with at least 5 minutes before the warning signal. Flag "F" will be removed with a long sound 1 minute before the warning signal.
- 7.5. A boat failing to start within 10 minutes of her starting signal may be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes rule A4.
- 7.6. Prior to the first warning signal boats shall pass astern of the Race Committee Boat on starboard tack and announce their intention to race.

## 8. RECALLS

- 8.1. In the event of an individual recall the Race Committee will attempt to notify the Boat(s) by hail or by VHF Channel 72. Failure of the Race Committee to notify a Boat shall not be grounds for redress.
- 8.2. When a General Recall has been signaled the recalled class(es) shall restart after the final scheduled start in the original start sequence. This changes rule 29.2.

## 9. CHANGE OF COURSE

- 9.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a green mark in a new position and remove the original mark. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

## 10. THE FINISH

- 10.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat and the course side of an orange tetrahedron.

## 11. TIME LIMITS

- 11.1. If no boat has finished the course by 20 minutes before the posted sunset time then the race may be abandoned. Sunset times for each race will be posted on the notice

board not later than 1700 on the day of the race. Failure to abandon the race will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

- 11.2. Boats failing to finish before the posted sunset time will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

## 12. PROTESTS

- 12.1. Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 12.2. The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the Race Committee Boat docks in her slip.
- 12.3. The time and location of the Protest(s) will be displayed on the official notice board within 24 hours of the protest time limit.

## 13. ARBITRATIONS

- 13.1. For a protest between two boats alleging a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31, an arbitration hearing may be held prior to the protest hearing.
- 13.2. Notices will be posted no later than 24 hours after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, in the Club House, beginning at the time posted.
- 13.3. One representative from each boat will appear before an arbitrator.
- 13.4. After hearing testimony from each party, the arbitrator shall reach one of the following conclusions:
  - (a) There was no breach of a rule. If the protestor(s) agrees, the protest is withdrawn and cannot be reopened.
  - (b) There was a breach of a rule. If the offending boat(s) agree, a 40% scoring penalty will be imposed and no further hearing will occur.
  - (c) The matter should go to protest committee for a full hearing.This changes Part 5, Section B of the RRS.

## 14. SCORING

- 14.1. Fleet Races will be scored using the PHRF LO handicapping system using the time on time method of establishing corrected times.
- 14.2. The Low Point System of Appendix A4.1 will be used
- 14.3. Midweek Series A & B:
  - 14.3.1. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
  - 14.3.2. When from 5 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
  - 14.3.3. When 8 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 14.4. Overall Midweek Series: best 15 race scores will count towards overall series score.
- 14.5. Spring and Fall Series: all races will count towards overall score for each series.
- 14.6. A boat will be scored AVG if she does not race on the day of her scheduled race committee volunteer requirement.
- 14.7. A boat failing to provide the appropriate number of volunteers on her scheduled day will be assigned a penalty by the racing director. The standard penalty shall be a DNE score replacing her median race result in the series she has the most completed races in at the end of the year.

14.8. Scoring Abbreviations

Boat in the vicinity of the start but DID NOT START	DNS	No. of finishers in the fleet plus one
Boat started but DID NOT FINISH	DNF	No. of finishers in the fleet plus one
Boat On Course Side at the start	OCS	No. of finishers in the fleet plus one
Retired from race	RET	No. of finishers in the fleet plus one
Boat disqualified	DSQ	No. of finishers in the fleet plus two
Boat did not come to starting area to race	DNC	No. of registrants in the fleet plus one
Volunteer	AVG	Average points for that series excluding dropped race scores. - A, B, Spring, Fall
Boat disqualified non-excludable	DNE	No. of finishers in the fleet plus two. This score cannot be excluded.

This changes Appendix A9.

**15. SAFELY REGULATIONS**

- 15.1. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the OYS Race Committee as soon as possible or sign the retirement form on the Notice Board.
- 15.2. The OYS Race Committee will monitor VHF Channel 72.
- 15.3. The wearing of life jackets or PFDs is recommended for all participants.










**16. FAIR SAILING**

- 16.1. Abuse of any member of the Race Committee shall be subject to Rule 69 and will be protested by the Race Director.
- 16.2. As a courtesy to the Race Committee competitors are encouraged to acknowledge their finishing signal, if sounded.

**17. ENVIORNMENTAL**

- 17.1. Competitor's shall not dispose of trash or cigarette butts into the water. [DP]

## ATTACHMENT 1 - CLASS FLAGS AND STARTING ORDER

STARTING					
Flag F				When flown at least 5 minutes before the first warning signal <b>Flag F</b> indicates a <b>SINGLE FLEET START</b> for all boats racing.	
WEDNESDAY		START ORDER		FLAG	
NFS2	Short – W/L	1	NP 1		
FS2			NP 2		
J27	Long – W/L	2	J27 Class		
NFS1			3	NP 3	
FS1			4	NP 4	
THURSDAY		START ORDER		FLAG	
NFS2	Short – Triangle	1	NP 1		
NFS1	Long – Triangle	2	NP 2		
FS1	Long – W/L	2	NP 3		
Etchells	Long – W/L	3	Etchells	