

**2021 Oakville Yacht Squadron
Timed Challenge
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI's) REV 1**



1 RULES

- 1.1 The Timed Challenge events are governed by the COLREGS. The Racing Rules of Sailing, DO NOT APPLY.
<https://www.imo.org/en/About/Conventions/Pages/COLREG.aspx>
- 1.2 Each boat may communicate with any person, competitor, boat or outside source of information available using any means. Boat to boat communication is encouraged on VHF channel 72.
- 1.3 Competitors will be expected to comply with Covid-19 Protocols issued by Governments and OYS guidelines.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Challenges are open to all boats from the Oakville Yacht Squadron and Oakville Club.
- 2.2 The Challenges are open to all PHRF, One Design in NFS or cruising boats.
- 2.4 Single, shorthanded or full crews are eligible.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice boards located on the east wall of the OYS clubhouse and in the breezeway, and may be posted on the OYS website.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole on the north end of the OYS lawn.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes'.
- 5.3 When flag L is displayed ashore, a change to the SI's has been posted for review.

6 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 6.1 Choice of course will be posted by 10:00 on the day of the Challenge. Course flag to be raised on the OYS flag pole.
- 6.2 The Challenges will be held on Sundays, starting on June 13th (practice day) to August 22nd, missing August 8th (OYS Regatta), August 29 (Fall Series) and



September 5th (Commodore's Cruise).

- 6.3 The final Challenge shall be on September 12th.
- 6.4 The Challenge may be abandoned on shore prior to 10:00. The N flag will be raised on the OYS flag pole.
- 6.5 The Challenge may be abandoned on the water by the Racing Director by an announcement on VHF channel 72.

7 TIMED CHALLENGE AREA

- 7.1 The Timed Challenge area is approximately .5 nm south of the Oakville harbour lighthouse

8 COURSES

- 8.1 Marks are to be rounded to port.
- 8.2 The course flag will be flown from the flagpole by 10:00
- 8.3 Pennant  1 West Course: Start Mark 1 to Mark 2 to finish Mark 1.
- 8.4 Pennant  2 East Course: Start Mark 1 to Mark 3 to finish Mark 1.
- 8.5 Addendum A shows the courses.

9 MARKS

Marks	Description	Approximate Location
Start/Finish Mark 1	OYS Yellow Cylinder & Eastmost inlet mark	43° 25.842'N 79° 39.728'W
2	OYS Yellow Cylinder near Bronte Outer Harbour	43°23.631'N, 79°41.338'W
3	OYS Yellow Cylinder near Clarkson Cement Pier	43°27.778'N, 79°37.561'W

10 THE START

- 10.1 The starting line is between Mark 1 and the first yellow inlet mark S of the harbour (east one).
- 10.2 The starting line will be open from 11:00 to 12:00 and boats may start at any time within these times.
- 10.3 Engines shall be off 5 minutes before you start.
- 10.4 Take your time when crossing the start line (hrs:mins:secs) by using the self-timing app: <https://acmebot.com/time/> . Select your boat name from the dropdown list and click "start" as you cross the start line.

11 CHALLENGE TIME LIMITS

- 11.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Event Time Limit and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Event Time Limit	Finishing Window
none	17:00	none

- 11.2 If the first boat in a fleet does not finish by the Event Time Limit, the event is abandoned for that fleet. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window after the first boat has finished shall be scored DNF.

12 FINISH

- 12.1 The finish line is between Mark 1 and the first yellow inlet mark S of the harbour (east one)
- 12.2 Take your time when crossing the finish line (hrs:mins:sec) by clicking “finish” on the self-timing app. Click “save” when you have the start and finish times entered. You can then view the corrected time results live by clicking “results”
- 12.3 To retire type “retire” as your finish time on the app and click “Save”.

13 SCORING

- 13.1 RRS A5 will determine point values for DNS, DNF, RET, and DSQ.
- 13.2 Boats will be scored by fleet, splits will be determined by the Race Director based on entries.
- 13.3 When fewer than 5 challenges have been completed, a boat’s series score is the total of her challenge scores.
- 13.4 When from 5 to 9 challenges have been completed, a boat’s series score is the total of her challenge scores excluding her worst score.
- 13.5 When 10 or more challenges have been completed, a boat’s series score is the total of her challenge scores excluding her two worst scores.

14 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 14.1 A boat that retires from a Challenge event shall notify the Racing Director at the first reasonable opportunity.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes will be given in each fleet for the top 3 places overall.

16 RISK STATEMENT

- 16.1 The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a event or to continue an event is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

19 INSURANCE

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

ADDENDUM A

