

# Wednesday Night Racing Program 2012

## Northern Yacht Club

### **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

#### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The series races will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2009-2012*, with ISAF amendments effective January 1, 2010.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the Canadian Yachting Association will apply.
- 1.3 If there is any conflict between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI), the SI shall prevail over the NOR.

#### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 2.1 Notices to Competitors will be posted in the trophy case.

#### **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTION**

- 3.1 Written changes to the SI will be posted in the trophy case 45 minutes prior to the start.

#### **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the club race pole.
- 4.2 When flag Yankee is displayed ashore, Rule 40 applies at all times while afloat.

#### **5 SCHEDULE**

- 5.1 Races will be held between June 6, and September 26, 2012.

#### **6 STARTS AND CLASSES**

- 6.1 One class shall be started.
- 6.2 The first warning signal for each day of racing shall be made at 1800 hrs.

#### **7 RACING AREA, COURSES AND MARKS**

- 7.1 Racing will take place in the North West Arm.
- 7.2 The course to be sailed shall either be distributed at the skippers meeting prior to racing or be posted on the notice board, either by course number or by listing the order and direction in which the marks are to be rounded. Failure on the part of competitors to be aware of the course to be sailed shall not be grounds for redress.
- 7.3 Marks may be either fixed or specially laid. Fixed marks are aids to navigation. Laid marks, are generally orange or yellow.

#### **8 THE START**

- 8.1 Races shall be started by using Rule 26.
- 8.2 The starting line will be a line formed by the Mark pole on shore, and an orange buoy.

#### **9 THE FINISH**

- 9.1 The finish line shall be the same as the start line as defined in Instruction 8.2, unless shortened (*see Instruction 10*).

## **10 SHORTENED COURSES**

**10.1** Courses may be shortened at any mark of the course.

**10.1.1** If shortened, the finish line shall then be between that mark and a nearby Race Committee (RC) boat displaying flag, "Sierra", competitors shall pass the mark in the direction indicated by the course laid out before the start. The RC shall *attempt* to be in position at least two minutes prior to the first boat passing the mark. Two sound signals shall be given as the lead Boat approaches the new finishing line.

**10.1.2** Or by contact on VHF Ch #72 to have all boats proceed directly to the finish line after rounding the mark / buoy stated.

## **11 TIME LIMITS**

**11.1** The time limit is three hours. Boats not finishing within this time shall be scored a DNF. This changes Rule 35.

## **12 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

**12.1** Protest Forms shall be available in the office. Protests shall be filed within 30 minutes of the last boat's arrival at dock. Completed protest forms shall be delivered to the RC.

**12.2** Protests shall be heard if time available on the night in question.

## **13 SCORING**

**13.1** The series and overall results will be scored under the low point scoring system.

**13.2** The summer series will be scored using two drops, and the fall series will use one drop.

**13.3** Season champion will be scored based on the combined two series.

**13.4** Boats retiring from a race shall be scored DNF. Such boats shall notify the RC as soon as possible.

## **14 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

**14.1** Broadcasts to all competitors shall be attempted by VHF radio over channel #72. Such broadcasts may include notification of boats that are OCS, race abandonment or the RC's intention to shortened course. Failure to hear such broadcasts shall not be grounds for protest or redress.

## **15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the Series entirely at their own risk (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 Series.