

**PORTLAND
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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. Under RRS 87, rule C.5.1(b)(3) of the Etchells class rules is changed to allow electronic navigation devices.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1200 on the day it goes into effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 2.2. Changes to a sailing instruction may be made on the water by VHF radio.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the southwest corner of the PYC clubhouse and on Regattaman.
- 3.2. On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with the competitors on VHF radio channel **69**.
- 3.3. While racing, except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that isn't available to all boats.

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1. Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials. The Club and facilities are free of any form of harassing behavior. Any physical, verbal or sexual harassment will not be tolerated. The Club is a family friendly environment. Obscenities, aggressive, inappropriate or offensive behavior shall not be tolerated neither on nor off the water.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the mast of the PYC.
- 5.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in the race signal AP.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1. This schedule replaces NOR #6.







Saturday	PHRF	Saturday	Lasers
1100	Skippers Meeting	1045	Skippers Meeting
1300	First Warning Signal	1200	First Warning Signal
1700	No warning signal after this time.	1600	No warning signal after this time.

- 6.2. Scratch sheets will be available at PYC after the Skippers Meeting.
- 6.3. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least 1 minute before a warning signal is made

6.4. There will be as many races as is practical for all classes at the Race Committee's discretion.

7. CLASS FLAGS

7.1. Class flags will be:

Class					
Racing A	Racing B	Cruising	TBD	J24	Etchells
					

8. RACING AREAS & COURSES

<u>Division</u>	<u>Racing Area</u>	<u>Courses</u>
3 - One Design Dinghies	North or South end of Clapboard Island	Distributed at the skippers meeting.
1 - PHRF Racing 1 - PHRF Cruising	Outside Clapboard	Marks from the 2020 CYC/PYC Mark List - see Addendum B

9. THE COURSES

9.1. The courses for the **Saturday** Division 1:

9.1.1. The Race Committee will choose from the government and drop marks as described on the 2020 CYC/PYC Mark List as shown in SI Amendment B.

9.1.2. All marks shall be left to Port, Unless the mark designation is followed by a green square, in which case, the mark shall be left to Starboard.

9.2. Courses for Division 3 will be distributed at their Skippers Meeting.

10. MARKS

10.1. Inflatable marks will be as follows:

10.1.1. Division 1 will be orange & green Tetrahedrons.

10.1.2. Division 3 will be yellow and/or orange inflatable marks.

10.2. The starting mark & finish mark will be a yellow inflatable.

10.3. Division 3 will use an inflatable for the start/finish mark.

11. OBSTRUCTIONS

11.1. The following areas are designated as obstructions:

11.1.1. Government Navigation Aids "N12", "N14", and "R18" must be passed on the safe side (the westerly side) at all times. These areas are highlighted on the 2020 CYC-PYC Mark List Chart.

12. THE START

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

12.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the ORANGE port-end starting mark.

12.3. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

12.4. If any part of a boat's hull, **excluding any sprits or extensions**, is on the course side of the committee starting line during the two minutes before her starting signal and she is identified, the race will attempt to broadcast her sail number on the VHF channel or, in the Laser Class, hail her sail number. Failure to make this broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12.5. A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

12.6. The Start/Finish line is CLOSED to any boat not starting or finishing a race.

13. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

13.1. For Division 1, to change the next leg of the course, the race committee will display the letter designation of the new mark. This changes RRS 33(a) and 33(b).

14. THE FINISH

14.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal boat and the course side of the YELLOW finishing mark.



14.2. If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1. The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will not apply.

16. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

16.1. The Race Time Limit (See RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

<i>Class</i>	<i>Race Time Limit</i>	<i>Finishing Window</i>
Division 1 - Racing	N/A	30 minutes
Division 1 - Cruising	N/A	60 Minutes
Division 2	N/A	20 minutes

16.2. The Finishing Window is the time for the boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place 2 more than the points scored by the last boat that finishes within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2, and A10.

16.3. Failure to make the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

17. HEARING REQUESTS

17.1. Competitors contemplating filing a protest shall remember that they are expected to follow and enforce the rules. A fundamental principle of sportsmanship is that when competitors break a rule, they will promptly take a penalty, which may be to retire. (Sportsmanship and the Rules).

17.2. For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the RC boat has docked. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

17.3. Hearing request forms are available at the PYC Notice Board

17.4. Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in an area designated as the protest room, if not the Trophy Room, beginning as posted.

17.5. A list of boats that have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 under Appendix P will be posted.

18. SCORING

18.1. The scoring system is as follows: RRS Appendix A.

18.2. One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

18.3. A boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.

19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

19.1. Boats shall check in prior to the first warning signal of the day by sailing past the stern of the Signal Boat, on starboard tack, and hailing the boat name, sail number, and number of persons onboard.

19.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the soonest reasonable opportunity.

20. TRASH DISPOSAL

20.1. Overboard disposal of trash is prohibited. Per Rule 47, offenders may be subject to disqualification. Trash may be placed aboard official or support vessels.

21. PRIZES

21.1. First place trophies shall be awarded for all classes. For classes with 5 or more boats a second place trophy will be awarded. For classes with 7 or more boats a third place trophy will be awarded.

21.2. Results will be posted at the PYC as well as on Regattaman as soon as possible after racing is completed.

22. RISK STATEMENT

22.1. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees or 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.**