

# Beaconsfield Yacht Club

## Coupe du Québec

*August 25-26, 2007*

### Sailing Instructions



*This Counter Regatta  
is sanctioned by the  
Canadian Shark Class  
Association.*

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing 2005 - 2008 (RRS) with the prescriptions of the CYA, the International Shark Class Association (ISCA) General Class Rules and Specifications, and the Notice of Race, except as these are altered by the Sailing Instructions; and these Sailing Instructions.

#### 2. ENTRIES

- 2.1 The regatta is open to Shark class sailboats.

#### 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the BYC clubhouse veranda.

#### 4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted a minimum of one and one-half hours before the first scheduled start on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

#### 5. 5 SIGNALS ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals ashore will be signaled on the flagpole on the upper parking lot.
- 5.2 Flag AP with two sound signals (one when lowered) means the race is postponed. The warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after the AP is lowered.

#### 6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 A maximum of six races will be sailed over the two days.
- 6.2 The warning signal for the first race of the day will be at 1000 on Saturday and 1000 on Sunday.

## 7. SKIPPERS' MEETING

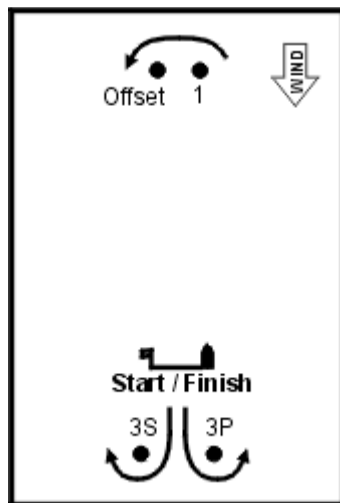
- 7.1 A Skippers' Meeting will be held at 0900 on Saturday on the clubhouse veranda. Crew may attend.

## 8. RACING AREA

- 8.1 The racing area will be directly off BYC.
- 8.2 The distance from the harbour entrance to the center of the racing area is approximately 0.5nm.

## 9. COURSES & MARKS

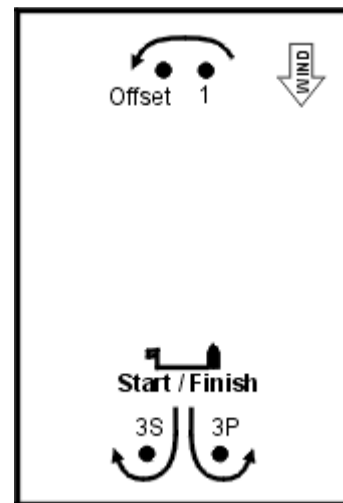
- 9.1 Course layouts are shown below. The race committee will attempt to set a course where it takes about 20 minutes to sail from the Start to Mark 1.



### VICTOR "V"

*Start - 1 - offset - 3 -  
1 - offset - Finish*

- This is a windward/leeward course with a finish to leeward.
- Mark 1 and the offset are left to port. Mark 3 is a gate.
- The leeward mark will be approximately 200 yards below the start-finish line
- **See 9.7 below**



### GOLF "G"

*Start - 1 - offset - 3 -  
1 - offset - 3 - Finish*

- This is a windward/leeward course with a finish to windward.
- Mark 1 and the offset are left to port. Mark 3 is a gate.
- The leeward mark will be approximately 200 yards below the start-finish line
- **See 9.7 below**

- 9.2 The letter for the course will be displayed from the committee boat using either a placard or code flag.
- 9.3 If an offset mark is used, it is not considered a mark for the purposes of RRS rule 32, and the distance between it and Mark 1 is not a leg of the course for the purposes of SI 13.3.
- 9.4 Start and finish marks will be orange buoys.

- 9.5 Course marks will be orange balls. New marks laid after the start will be yellow.
- 9.6 An inner distance mark (“spacer mark”) if used, it will be an orange ball.
- 9.7 After starting, competitors shall **not** sail between the starting mark and the committee boat until finishing. Any boat failing to observe this rule shall be scored DSQ

## **10. CHECKING IN**

- 10.1 Before her first race each day, each boat shall sail on starboard tack past the stern of the committee boat, hail her sail number, and be acknowledged by a member of the race committee. A boat failing to do so may be scored DNS.

## **11. THE START**

- 11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between a black mast on the committee boat and the mark at the port end of the line.
- 11.3 An inner distance mark (“spacer mark”) may be set off the stern of the committee boat at the starting line. This mark is considered an extension of the committee boat and as such is a starting mark for the purposes of RRS 18 & 19. Also, boats shall not pass between this mark and the committee boat when approaching the line to start.
- 11.4 A boat may not start later than 10 minutes after her starting signal.

## **12. RECALLS & STARTING PENALTIES**

- 12.1 Following a general recall, rule 30.1 will apply to all restarts of that race, regardless of whether code flag “I” is displayed. This does not restrict the race committee from applying RRS 30.3.
- 12.2 RRS 30.2 is deleted.
- 12.3 The race committee will attempt to hail the sail number of each boat that has broken RRS 29.1 or 30.1; however not being hailed, not hearing a hail, or a late hail will not be grounds for redress under RRS 62.1(a).

## **13. CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START & SHORTENING COURSE**

- 13.1 RRS 33 is modified so that compass bearings and change of length may not be displayed.
- 13.2 Any mark to be rounded after the new mark may be moved to maintain the course layout.
- 13.3 A course shall not be shortened to less than 2-legs in length.

## **14. THE FINISH**

- 14.1 The finish line will be between the black mast on the committee boat, and a nearby mark.
- 14.2 The race committee may award a finishing position to the last boat after all other boats have finished or retired.

## **15. PENALTY SYSTEM**

15.1 RRS 44.3 is deleted. There is no scoring penalty.

## **16. TIME LIMIT**

16.1 If two hours after the start the first boat has not finished, the race will be abandoned.

16.2 RRS 35 is modified so that a boat failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat has finished is scored DNF.

16.3 If 45 minutes after the start the first boat has not rounded Mark 1, the race will be abandoned.

## **17. PROTESTS**

17.1 Protests shall be written on protest forms available on a table in front of the official notice board and delivered to a member of the Race Committee who will be located at the official notice board, within protest time, which will last one hour and begin on the return of the committee boat to its mooring.

17.2 The location and times of protest hearings will be posted on the official notice board.

17.3 Protests will be heard in approximate order of receipt, as soon as possible.

## **18. SCORING**

18.1 The low point scoring system, (RRS Appendix A4) will be used.

18.2 RRS Appendix A2 is modified so that a boat's worst score will be discarded if 5 or more races are completed.

18.3 RRS Appendix A2 is modified so that the score for a disqualification under RRS 78.1 shall not be discarded.

18.4 A minimum of 2 races is required to constitute a regatta.

## **19. HAULOUT RESTRICTIONS**

19.1 A boat is not permitted to haul out after the warning signal for its first race and before completion of the regatta without the approval of the regatta or protest committee chairperson.

## **20. OUTSIDE HELP**

20.1 A boat shall neither send nor receive radio transmissions or other forms of electronic communications while racing, except in an emergency or as allowed under 12.3 of these sailing instructions.

20.2 A boat shall receive no assistance from a support boat after leaving her mooring for the first race each day until she returns.

## **21. CREW SUBSTITUTIONS**

- 21.1 Substitution of crew during the regatta must be approved by the regatta or protest committee chairperson.

## **22. INSPECTIONS**

- 22.1 Random inspections may be made during the regatta for compliance with class rules. Boats may be selected for weighing after the last race on Saturday.

## **23. PRIZES**

- 23.1 The winner of the regatta will be presented with the Gables Court Trophy. Keeper trophies and/or prizes will be awarded to the top 5 skippers and crews.
- 23.2 The Quebec One-Design Trophy will be awarded to the top Quebec boat.
- 23.3 The Ottawa Valley trophy will be awarded to the top Ottawa Valley boat.
- 23.4 The “Finalist Trophy” will be awarded to the last place finisher.