

Spar Channel Race
September 10,2021
Thunder Bay Yacht Club
Thunder Bay, Ontario

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The notation [DP] in a rule in the Sailing Instructions means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. This changes RRS 64.1.

The notation [NP] in a rule in the Notice of Race means that breaches in this rule will not be grounds for a protest or request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1 (a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Changes to the racing rules will appear in full in these sailing instructions, or in the notice of race.
- 1.3 Each boat shall comply with all Transport Canada and other applicable laws, rules, and regulations.
- 1.4 Use of a waypoint defined by latitude and longitude coordinates that the course requires a boat to leave on a specified side will be in accordance with World Sailing Appendix WP. This changes RRS 18 and RRS 28, and adds the definition of a waypoint.
- 1.5 A boat's person-in-charge²² shall attend the skippers' meeting.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS AND CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Official notices, including changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Thunder Bay Yacht Club (TBYC) website (www.tbyc.on.ca) no later than 8:00 PM on the day before the notices take effect.

3 SCHEDULE

- 3.1. Race date: Friday September 10,2021
- 3.2. Competitors' meeting: 1800, at the Crew Bench.
- 3.3.1855 warning signal.
- 3.4. 1900PM start.
- 3.5. An abandoned race will not be re-sailed.

4 THE COURSE (see Appendix A)

- 4.1 Start.
- 4.2 Pass through the Main Gap leaving the Main Gap lighthouse to port

- 4.3 Leave Campbell I to starboard
- 4.4 Round Spar I to port
- 4.5 Round Waypoint A to port.
 - Waypoint A is at GPS position latitude N 48° 14.150', longitude W 088° 59.850'.
 - The GPS position specified shall use the WGS84 datum, and the hddd°mm.mmm' format.
 - Waypoint A bears approximately 0.14 nm at 94° T from an obstruction that covers, and approximately 0.39 nm at 85° T from Angus Island Light.
- 4.6 Pass through the Main Gap leaving the Main Gap lighthouse to starboard,
- 4.7 Finish
- 4.8 Course length is 50.5 NM.

5 THE START

- 5.1 The start line will be between a staff displaying an "RC" flag at the starboard end of the line and an inflatable mark at the port end of the line.
- 5.2 An "RC" flag will be displayed approximately five (5) minutes before the warning signal is made.
- 5.3 The race will start using RRS 26 with the warning signal made five minutes before the start signal.
- 5.4 All divisions will start together. The warning signal will be a flag displaying a letter A on a contrasting background.

6 THE FINISH

- 6.1 The finish line will be a line between the 21 m high steel sculpture on the end of Pier One and the no-wake buoy off the end of Pier One.
- 6.2 The first boat to finish shall record her GPS finishing time, remain on station for one hour, and record the GPS finishing times and positions of all boats that finish during that time. Finishing times and positions shall be reported to the Fleet Captain at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP]
- 6.3 If the first boat to finish is no longer on station, a boat that finishes shall record her GPS finishing time, and (if possible) the finishing times and positions of the boats that finish immediately before and after her. Finishing times and positions shall be reported to the Fleet Captain or designate at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP]

7 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 7.1 A boat **intending** to protest shall **notify** the race committee at the finish line of the names of the boat(s) being protested and the boat protesting before leaving the racing area. The protest committee shall waive this requirement if there is good reason to do so (e.g., race committee absent, or serious damage or injury).
- 7.2 A protest shall be **made** in writing, according to RRS 61.2., using the protest forms available on the TBYC website (www.tbyc.on.ca), and delivered to the Fleet Captain no later than two hours after the last boat (any division) finishes the last race of the day.

7.3 Protests will be heard by a protest committee of three or more people. The protest committee chair will be a full or racing member of TBYC or Temple Reef Sailing Club (TRSC), and will be appointed by the Fleet Captain of TBYC. Other committee members will be members of TBYC or TRSC, and will be appointed by the Fleet Captain or protest committee chair.

8 SAFETY REGULATIONS

8.1 No later than the skippers' meeting, a boat shall provide to the race committee a list of all crew members' names and emergency contact information, and the name and cell phone number of the person-in-charge.

8.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee and/or other boats as soon as possible.

9 CREW LIMIT

9.1 A boat's crew shall be limited to the number of crew permitted by the LMPHRF rating for her design, or the number assigned by the TBYC Ratings Committee. A boat's crew limit may be exceeded provided she notifies the race committee before leaving the dock. [DP]

9.2 A boat may elect to relieve another boat of her excess crew. If no boat elects to do so, the overlimit boat is deemed to comply with her crew limit.

10 RADIO COMMUNICATION

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 is not available to all boats. [DP]

APPENDIX A

Course Diagram (for general information only: not to be used for navigation)

