



International Six Metre  
**Oceana Cup**  
September 9 – 10, 2017

Organized by Kitsilano Yacht Club  
Vancouver Canada

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 Penalties for breaches of a rule other than part 2, except rules 2, 28 and 31, may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. This changes rule 64.1(a). The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.

### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the [regatta website](http://www.is.gd/oceana6mr), at [www.is.gd/oceana6mr](http://www.is.gd/oceana6mr).
- 2.2 The race committee will use VHF 67 to communicate with competitors.

### **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0930 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

### **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole on the north side of the Royal Vancouver YC Jericho clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal AP.

## 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

### 5.1

| Date               | Schedule | Target time | Mark 1 time limit | Race Time limit |
|--------------------|----------|-------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Saturday, Sept. 10 | 3 races  | 60 minutes  | 30 minutes        | 2 hours         |
| Sunday, Sept. 11   | 2 races  | 60 minutes  | 30 minutes        | 2 hours         |

5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is

Saturday 1200 hours

Sunday 1100 hours

5.3 No warning signal will be displayed after 1530 hours.

5.4 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

5.5 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

## 6 CLASS FLAG

Class flag will be a light blue flag with class insignia

## 7 RACING AREA

Racing will be conducted on the south side of English Bay, Vancouver.. Courses will be located to minimize tidal current and wind disturbance from commercial deep sea vessels..

## 8 THE COURSE

8.1 The diagram in Attachment A show the course, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.3 The race committee signal boat may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

## 9 MARKS

9.1 Mark S is a staff displaying an orange flag.

9.2 Rounding marks are orange inflatables.

## 10 AREA THAT IS AN OBSTRUCTION

The area south of a line beginning at the northwest corner of the RVYC Jericho breakwater, through a series of white or orange can buoys ending with the north end of the most westerly pier at Jericho Sailing Centre is an obstruction. Boats shall not sail in this area.

## 11 THE START

11.1 There will be a single starting sequence, with boats in the Open and Classic divisions starting together.

11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and mark S at the port end.

11.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange flag on the signal

boat will be displayed with one sound for at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

- 1.5 The race committee will attempt to announce sail numbers of OCS or UFD boats on VHF radio within two minutes after the start. Sail numbers will be posted at the race committee signal boat at the conclusion of each race. Failure to announce or post these sail numbers will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## **12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

## **13 THE FINISH**

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the port end and mark S at the starboard end.

## **14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty for breaking one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while racing is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the regatta office at Kitsilano YC. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.2 There is no time limit for protests filed by the race committee or the protest committee. Otherwise, the protest time limit is 45 minutes after the last boat finishes.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 16.4 Hearings will be held in the protest room, beginning at the time posted. The protest committee may schedule hearings before the end of protest time if the parties are available.
- 16.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a decision of the protest committee shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

## **17 SCORING**

- 17.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.2 (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **18 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 18.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 18.2 Boats must obey all warning signals and directions from, and shall not obstruct, commercial traffic.

**23 TRASH DISPOSAL**

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats. This instruction does not apply to spinnaker stopping material.

**24 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 24.1 It is recommended that boats carry a VHF radio. Boats may use the radio to report retirement from racing or to request assistance in an emergency.
- 24.2 Boats are asked to stand by on VHF 66A when entering and leaving the harbour.
- 24.3 No other transmissions are permitted during each racing day from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day.
- 24.4 Competitors are prohibited from any communication via any cellular device via voice or data after the first warning signal on each race day until the end of the last race of the day.

**25 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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 regatta.

**26 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1 million CAD or equivalent per event.

**Attachment A**

**The Course**

Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish

