



NOTICE OF RACE

MAY 19-21, 2017

The Organizing Authority for Round Saltspring 2017 is the Saltspring Island Sailing Club, 152 Douglas Road, Salt Spring Island, BC V8K 2J2.

1 RULES

1.1 Round Saltspring 2017 will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS") for 2017-2020, the class rules of PHRF-BC, World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations for 2017-18, and the International Regulations for Prevention of Collisions at Sea. The prescriptions of Sail Canada shall apply.

1.2 Boats shall comply with the safety requirements of the Offshore Special Regulations for a Category 4 race. Sections 3.12, 3.18, 3.19, 3.22, 3.29.6, 4.22.2 shall not apply.

1.2.1 Lifejackets must comply with the requirements Transport Canada, United States Coast Guard (for vessels documented in U.S.), ISO 12402-3 (level 150), or UL 1180, and be equipped with whistle and crotch/thigh straps.

1.2.2 Boats may be equipped with lifelines made from coated stainless steel wire subject to the person-in-charge having inspected exposed wire and all fittings for signs of corrosion. Boats sailing without

lifelines will be allowed, subject to all crew wearing lifejackets at all times during the race. It is recommended that boats without lifelines use jack-lines and tethers during the race.

1.3 Between sunset and sunrise the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea with Transport Canada modifications will replace the relevant parts of Part 2 of the Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.4 The Sailing Instructions may in certain circumstances permit propulsion to be used, provided the boat does not gain an advantage. The penalty for any permitted use of propulsion will be a Two-Turns Penalty plus a time penalty of 1% of the boat's elapsed time. This changes Rule 44. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

1.5 Boats sailing single-handed are permitted to use self-steering devices and automatic pilots. This changes Rule 52.

1.6 The Official Notice Board will be the race website at www.saltspringsailing.ca. Commencing Thursday, May 18, courtesy

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copies of all new notices will also be posted on a board located at the dock gatehouse.

1.7 Boats must display a sail number on their mainsail. Boats that do not have an official sail number may make arrangements at Registration for an assigned number that must be applied to the main sail.

2 ELIGIBILITY

2.1 The race is open to boats 20 feet LOA and longer.

2.2 All entrants shall comply with Rule 75 of the Racing Rules of Sailing by being a member of a club or other organization affiliated with a national authority (eg; Sail Canada, US Sailing).

2.3 Each boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of US or CDN \$1,000,000 per incident. A valid certificate of insurance must be submitted no later than May 10, 2017.

2.4 All boats must have a current valid PHRF BC or PHRF-NW rating certificate.

2.5 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to inspect any boat for compliance of its sailing configuration with the specifications of the rating certificate prior to the race and after finishing the race.

3 ENTRY

3.1 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to limit the number of entries.

3.2 All participants are encouraged to take advantage of Early Entry, which closes 17:00 Monday, April 24, 2017. Entries will continue to be accepted no later than

Wednesday May 10, 2017, as space permits. Entries received after May 10, 2017 may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Organizing Authority.

3.3 Entry shall be completed via the race website at www.saltspringsailing.ca/roundsaltspring.

3.4 The certificate of insurance, and rating certificate must be received no later than May 10, 2017 by email to: rs-registrar@saltspringsailing.ca.

3.5 All entries shall register at the registration desk at Saltspring Island Sailing Club between 1400 and 2100 Friday, May 19. Boats that have not submitted their proof of insurance, rating certificate, safety declaration certificate, and crew information forms, as required by this Notice of Race, will not be given a registration package. Boats that have not picked up their registration packages by 2100 Friday May 19 will be scored as DNC.

4 FEES

4.1 The fee for early entry, received no later than April 25, 2017 is \$110.00. The fee for entries received after April 25, 2017 is \$140.00. The late entry fee for entries received after May 10, 2017 and accepted by the Organizing Authority shall be \$175.00.

5 SKIPPERS' MEETING

5.1 The Skippers' Meeting will be held on Saturday, May 20 at 0830 at the Saltspring Island Sailing Club.

6 SAFETY

6.1 All boats shall be prepared and equipped in accordance with the ISAF

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Offshore Special Regulations for a Category 4 race, with modifications noted in Sec 1.2. For convenience, an unofficial extract listing the requirements is available on the safety declaration certificate form available on the race website at www.saltspringsailing.ca.

6.2 At the time of Registration, all boats must submit a safety declaration certificate signed by the Person in Charge stating compliance with regulations and submit the names and emergency contact information of all crew. Forms may be downloaded from the race website and copies will be available at the registration desk.

6.3 All boats must have auxiliary power with fuel capacity to operate for 4 hours at specified speed.

6.4 In addition to meeting the requirements of 6.1, a boat's equipment must comply with the Transport Canada Small Craft Regulations or the requirements of their home country. Boats that do not display required navigation lights between sunset and sunrise are subject to protest.

6.5 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to inspect any boat for compliance with the race requirements prior to the race and after finishing the race.

6.6 It is recommended that all participants wear approved lifejackets equipped with position indicating light and crotch/thigh straps at all times during the race. It is also recommended that all participants use safety harnesses and jacklines while sailing between sunset and sunrise.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1 Sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board by Friday, May

12 and will be included in the registration package.

8 COURSE

8.1 The starting and finishing line will be in Ganges Harbour in the vicinity of the Saltspring Island Sailing Club.

8.2 The course for Round Saltspring will be announced at the Skippers' Meeting, signaled from the Committee Boat, and posted on the Official Notice Board on the morning of Saturday May 20.

8.2 a) Green course — The Sisters and Chain Islands must be left to port when leaving Ganges, and to starboard when returning to Ganges Harbour. Saltspring Island, Idol Island, Grappler Rock, and Atkins Reef, Welbury Spar Buoy U49 are to be left to starboard.

8.2 b) Red course — The Sisters and Chain Islands are to be left to port when leaving Ganges, and to starboard when returning to Ganges Harbour. Saltspring Island, Welbury Spar Buoy U49, Atkins Reef, Grappler Rock and Idol Island are to be left to port.

8.3 The time limit for the race will be 1030 on Sunday, May 21. Boats finishing after that time will be scored DNF.

9 DIVISIONS

9.1 There will be separate divisions for Sport-boats, Other Monohulls, No Flying Sails, and Multihulls. A minimum of 5 boats is required to make up a separate division.

9.2 Boats will be assigned to divisions based on boat type and rating in the sole opinion of the Organizing Authority. The assignment of boats into divisions will not be grounds for protest or request for

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redress.

9.2 A list of entries and division assignments will be posted on the Official Notice Board on or before Friday, May 19 and distributed at the Skipper's Meeting.

9.3 The Multihull division will not be eligible for the Marshall Sharp Trophy or other overall prizes.

10 RATINGS

10.1 Boats with valid PHRF BC certificates will sail with that rating. A SISC rating will be assigned to PHRF-NW boats at no cost to align them with PHRF BC standards.

10.2 Decisions of the Organizing Authority's Handicapper will not constitute grounds for protest or redress.

10.3 The race will be scored Time on Distance and the distance for scoring will be 42.0 nautical miles.

11 MOORAGE

11.1 The Organizing Authority will provide moorage for all entries at the club docks on a first-come, first-served basis, subject to availability.

11.2 Hotel vessels or other vessels not registered to race are expected to anchor out. Limited space may be available on a first-come first-served basis at the time of arrival and at the sole discretion of the Wharfinger.

11.3 There is no charge for moorage of entered boats from 1200 Thursday, May 18 to 1500 Sunday, May 20. Very reasonable reciprocal rates will apply to boats that

have made prior arrangements to stay longer; plenty of advance notice is required.

11.4 The On-dock Wharfinger will monitor VHF channel 72 and will assign moorage space. Failure to follow instructions of the on-dock Wharfinger may result in loss of moorage privileges.

12 RADIO COMMUNICATION

12.1 All boats are required to carry a working VHF radio capable of receiving VHF channel 16 and 72.

12.2 The Race Committee will monitor VHF channel 72. Individual or General Recalls may be announced on VHF channel 72.

12.3 All Emergency Communications will use VHF channel 16. The Canadian Coast Guard will be the primary contact for all emergency communications.

12.4 Except in an emergency or in fulfilling the requirements of the Sailing Instructions, a boat while racing shall not make or receive radio transmissions or mobile telephone calls, or use mobile internet devices, to obtain weather and tactical information not freely available to all boats.

13 AWARDS

13.1 The race awards will be presented at approximately 1130 on Sunday, May 21.

13.2 The Marshall Sharp Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner, corrected time. The Doug Thomas Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the winning SISC boat, corrected time.

There will be awards for the top finishers of

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each division:

- Fewer than 6 registered boats – 1 award
- 6 to 10 registered boats – 2 awards
- More than 10 registered boats – 3 awards

13.3 There will be an award to the first boat to finish, elapsed time and the Tar and Feathers Trophy will be awarded to the last boat to finish.

13.4 Participants in the UK Sails Team Challenge are invited to enter teams consisting of any 3 boats from the same yacht club, with no two boats from the same Division. Boats shall register for only one team. The winning team will be calculated by the sum of the corrected finishing position of each team member within their division.

14 ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

14.1 Round Saltspring 2017 strives to be a leader in environmental sustainability and subscribes to the Clean Regatta program

CALENDAR

Mon	April 24	Early entry deadline
Wed	May 10	Entry deadline, PHRF and insurance certificate deadline
Fri	May 12	Sailing Instructions available
Thu	May 18	1200: Moorage available
Fri	May 19	1400: Registration opens 1630-2200: Social 1800-2100: Lamb BBQ 1800-2100: Live Music 2100: Deadline for registration
Sat	May 20	0630: Complementary Breakfast 0830: Skipper's Meeting 0955: First Warning Signal
Sun	May 21	0930: Pancake Breakfast 1030: Time Limit 1130: Awards presentation

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14.2 Competitors are reminded of the requirements of Rule 55 of the RRS. Competitors are encouraged to use extra precautions to prevent trash from entering water.

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

15.1 Competitors participate in this event at their own risk. See RRS rule 4, Decision to Race. Saltspring Island Sailing Club will not accept liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after this event.

16 CONTACTS

For more information or questions regarding the Round Saltspring 2017, please click on Contacts at www.saltspringsailing.ca/roundsaltspring

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