



**2018 Commodores' Cup Regatta  
August 27 - 30, 2018  
Royal Vancouver Yacht Club  
Vancouver, BC**

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

### **1 RULES**

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the vestibule of the dry-dock building. Notices will also be posted online at [www.royalvan.com/commiescup](http://www.royalvan.com/commiescup).

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

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000hrs on the day before it will take effect.

### **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at RVYC Jericho clubhouse flag mast.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' for the race signal AP.

### **5 SCHEDULE**

#### 5.1 Daily Schedule:

#### **Tuesday August 28, 2018:**

0900hrs – Coaches and Support Boat Meeting on the patio of the Star & Dragon  
0930hrs – Competitors meeting on the RVYC lawn  
1100hrs – Warning signal for the first race, subsequent races to follow

#### **Wednesday August 29, 2018:**

0900hrs – Coaches and Support Boat Meeting on the patio of the Star & Dragon  
1100hrs – Warning signal for the first race, subsequent races to follow

#### **Thursday August 30, 2018:**

0900hrs – Coaches and Support Boat Meeting on the patio of the Star & Dragon  
1100hrs – Warning signal for the first race, subsequent races to follow

- 5.2 Up to 4 races are scheduled on racing days for all fleets.

## **6 CLASS FLAGS**

Class flags will be:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Flag</u>
Opti Championship	Optimist Class Flag
Opti Novice	Green Optimist Class Flag
420 and 420 NFS	420 Class Flag
RS Feva	RS Feva Class Flag
Laser and Radial	Laser Class Flag

## **7 RACING AREA**

Racing will take place in the South-eastern portion of English Bay in the vicinity of RVYC Jericho.

## **8 THE COURSES**

The diagrams in Attachment 1 show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

## **9 MARKS**

- 9.1 Marks will be orange tetrahedrons on the Alpha course and red tetrahedrons on the Bravo course. Mark S will be an orange and white tetrahedron and Mark F will be a blue and white tetrahedron.
- 9.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 11, will be green.

## **10 THE START**

- 10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying orange on the Race Committee Signal Boat and Mark S.
- 10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

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

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

## **12 THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and Mark F.

### **13 TIME LIMITS**

13.1 Time limits are as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Time Limit</u>	<u>Mark 1 Time Limit</u>
All Classes	1.5 hours	30 minutes

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

13.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 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.

13.3 The Race Committee may elect to finish a boat on the racecourse.

### **14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

14.1 Protest forms are available at the RVYC Sailing Director's office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

14.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 30 minutes after the Race Committee Signal Boat docks.

14.3 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 at the RVYC Jericho clubhouse in a designated room. All notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

### **15 ARBITRATION**

Appendix T will apply.

### **16 SCORING**

16.1 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

16.2 When 5 races in a regatta have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16.2 The Opti Novice Fleet will not receive scoring.

### **17 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

17.1 All competitors and coaches shall wear a MOT approved floatation device at all times while on the water.

17.2 All competitors must have a designated coach on the water.

17.3 All coaches must carry a VHF radio on the water during racing.

17.4 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

17.5 A boat that sails between a tug and its tow will be disqualified.

### **18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## **19 SUPPORT BOATS**

Except for coaches who have sailors in the back 1/4 of the Optimist Novice class, team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## **20 TRASH DISPOSAL**

Boats shall not put trash in the water.

## **21 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **22 PRIZES**

22.1 Prizes will be awarded in all classes registering with 4 or more boats (excluding the Opti Novice Fleet).

Overall prizes will be awarded according to the following:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place will be awarded only if 4 or more bots register.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place will be awarded only if 5 or more boats register.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place will be awarded only if 6 or more boats register.

22.2 The prize giving will be held at the Commodores' Cup Awards Banquet to be held Thursday, August 30, 2018.

## **23 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.

## **24 INSURANCE**

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

## **25 MEDIA RIGHTS**

By participating in the event competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any still or motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

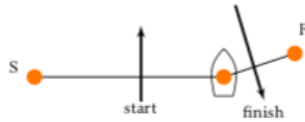
# ATTACHMENT 1

## COURSE DIAGRAMS

### Alpha Course

All classes excluding Optimist

Start-1-2P/2S-1-Finish



### Bravo Course (Optimist Course)

Opti Championship Fleet  
Start-1-2P/2S-1-Finish

Opti Novice Fleet  
Start-1-Finish

