



**CANADIAN RADIO YACHTING ASSOCIATION**  
**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**  
**EC12 Canadian Championships**  
**September 27, 2019**  
**Halifax, Nova Scotia**  
**Halifax Area Model Yacht Club**



## 1. Rules

- 1.1** The event will be governed by the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS) as modified by RRS Appendix E (Radio Sailing Racing Rules), the Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS), Prescriptions of Sail Canada, EC12 Class Rules, the Notice of Race (NOR) issued for the event, and these Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.2** The Sailing Instructions shall prevail in case of conflict with the Notice of Race. This changes RRS 63.7.

## 2. Notices to Competitors

- 2.1** Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board situated near the launching area.

## 3. Schedule of Races

Friday September 27 <sup>th</sup>	Skippers meeting	0930
	Racing	1000 to 1200
	Lunch	1200 to 1245
	Racing	1300 to 1530

## 4. Scoring system

- 4.1** The RRS A4 Low Point System, as modified by the Odds and Evens Heat Management System and these SI's will apply. One Odd heat and one Even heat will constitute one completed race throughout this event.
- 4.2** There will be no maximum number of races. This changes RRS J 2.1(9). Five (5) races must be completed to constitute an event
- 4.3** Withdrawn Boats: Withdrawn boats shall obtain permission from the RO before returning to race.
- 4.4** Excluded Scores (Discards): When the total score is calculated for each boat, her worst scores will be excluded as follows:
- After 5 races have been completed: One (1) discard
  - After 10 races have been completed: Two (2) discards
  - After 15 races have been completed: Three (3) discards
  - And so on for every 5 races

**4.5 Breaking of Ties:** When boats are tied at the finishing line, RRS A7 will apply. When a tie for finishing place between two or more boats is to be broken, other than at the finishing line, it shall be decided in favour of the boat with the most first places, and when the tie remains, the most second places and so on. When the tie remains, it shall be decided in favour of the best score in the last race in which there was no tie and should the tie remain, by the toss of a coin or the drawing of lots. This changes RRS A8, which will not apply.

## **5. Changes in the Sailing Instructions**

**5.1** Any change to the S.I.'s will be posted on the Official Notice Board and shall be implemented only between heats. Two sound signals followed by a verbal announcement shall be made by the Race Officer (RO) to call attention to the change.

## **6. Courses**

**6.1** Course descriptions will be given verbally before each heat by the Race Officer (RO) including a description of the starting and finishing marks and additional marks, stating the order and side on which each is to be left.

**6.2** Courses may be changed only between heats or races.

## **7. Launching and Control Area**

**7.1** Skippers shall launch and retrieve their boats from the designated launch area. This changes RRS E3.2. The control area will be designated by the RO. This changes RRS E3.1. Details of the launch and control areas will be designated by the RO. This changes RRS E3.2.

## **8. Launch and Retrieval**

**8.1** A boat scheduled to race in a heat may be launched, held on the bank, taken ashore and re-launched at any time during the heat however they shall not be released to start after the first boat has finished.

**8.2** Only an authorized boat crew, under the direction of the RO, is to operate the rescue boat. The order of rescue of boats or delay in rescuing/freeing a boat shall not of itself be grounds for redress.

## **9. Starting Procedure**

**9.1** Races will be started in accordance with RRS E3.4 with the warning signal made one (1) minute before the starting signal.

**9.2** RRS 30.1 (I Flag, "The One Minute Rule") shall apply to the start of each heat.

## **10. Protests**

**10.1** Protests will be frowned upon but accepted in accordance with RRS E6 except that RRS E6.5 (Time Limit) is amended by the inclusion of the following: A boat intending to protest shall inform the RO no later than two minutes after the last boat finishes and prior to the Warning signal for the next heat, whichever is the lesser. This changes RRS E6.5.

**10.2** Hearing of Protests. Protests and requests for redress will be held at a time and place determined by the RO.

**10.3** The race committee may use IRSA SYRPH, a SYstem for Reducing Protest Hearings. This will apply after the heat and before the related protest hearing that may result from this procedure.

**10.4** The protest committee will consist of three persons, which may include competitors, competent persons and Regional, National or International Judges. If a party to a hearing objects to a member of a protest committee as an interested party, he/she may object under rule RRS 63.4.

## **11. Replacement of Equipment**

**11.1** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the RO. Requests for substitution shall be made to the RO at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **12. Equipment and Measurement Checks**

**12.1** A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. A boat can be instructed by the RO to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## **13. Identification on Sails**

**13.1** Sail numbering shall be in accordance with the EC12 class rules. This changes RRS E.8.

## **14. Race Observance**

**14.1** The Race Committee may appoint Race Observers, who may be competitors. The IRBOS system, as shown below, will be used. Any competitor asked to be an observer shall so do. Only in the event of requiring repairs to his/her boat will the competitor be excused for that heat.

## **15. Competitor Conduct**

**15.1** The CRYA recognizes that major events offer considerable publicity opportunities to the Association and the sport generally. Competitor behavior can impact unfavorably on the sport and all competitors are advised that their actions will be under scrutiny. In the event of any behavior that is in breach of Principles of Sportsmanship and Fair Play, or which may bring the sport into disrepute may result in a protest hearing under RRS 2 or for extreme breaches, in accordance with RRS 69.1 or as specified in SI 15.2.

**15.2** The RO may offer a competitor a two turns on the spot penalty to avoid a protest hearing as in SI 15.1 however the RO is not obliged to make this offer nor is a competitor obliged to accept it in which case a protest hearing shall proceed. The penalty may be directed to be taken after the start of the next heat in which the competitor is scheduled to race, and before starting.

**15.3** Penalties available to the Protest Committee include exclusion from the race in question, the series, or other action within the Committee's jurisdiction. The Race Officer and all race officials have been directed to record any incidents and they will be dealt with to the full extent available to the Committee.

## **Observance**

### **Summary of IRBOS - INFRINGEMENT REPORT BY OBSERVER SYSTEM**

1. Race observers will record all incidents involving contact between boats or between boats and a mark. They will also listen for hails of protest and note the sail number(s) of the boat(s) so hailed.
2. Race observers will report all unresolved incidents, and any failure to sail the course as required by RRS 28 to the race committee at the end of the heat.
3. If an observer sees an incident, he/she will promptly hail the sail number(s) of the boat(s) involved stating that the boats(s) have just been seen either:
  - a) in contact with a mark or
  - b) in contact with another boat(s).
4. Any boat breaking a rule of the RRS in an incident called by the observer shall be obliged to take a penalty turn as described in RRS R 44 or face a subsequent Protest Committee hearing.

## **SYRPH**

### **Summary of SYRPH - SYSTEM FOR REDUCING PROTEST HEARINGS**

**SYRPH** is a prehearing process where each skipper involved reviews the protest form and any Observer reports of the incident. There is no discussion. After a few minutes, the SYRPH administrator asks each skipper to place a coin on the table – covered up by their hand, heads up (I want to go a Protest Hearing) or tails up (I will retire). The Admin then asks the skippers simultaneously, to reveal their coin. If more than one coin is heads up, a protest hearing will be held and time and location announced. If a skipper elects to go to a hearing, they will not be able to retire and may face a DSQ.