



2017 C420 Canadian Championships
July 14 to 16, 2017
Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club
Dorval, Quebec, Canada



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The National prescriptions of Sail Canada will apply.
- 1.3 Appendix P will apply.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the South facing ground floor window of the main clubhouse.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0830 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the main flag pole located on the lawn of the club grounds.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 90 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 QUALIFYING AND FINAL SERIES

- 5.1 The Regatta will consist of a single series OR a qualifying and final series. A notice will be posted on the official noticeboard by 2100 hrs on July 13 indicating the series format for the event.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 12 races are scheduled.

6.2 Dates of racing:

July 14th 4 Races back to back (qualifying series if applicable)

July 15th 4 Races back to back (qualifying series if applicable)

July 16th 4 Races back to back (final series if applicable)

6.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1100 hrs.

6.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

6.5 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1400hrs.

7 CLASS FLAGS

For a single series the class flag will be C420 logo on a white back ground. If a qualifying series is used the class flags will be pink and green corresponding to each fleet assignment. For the final series the Gold Fleet class flag will be the C420 logo on a white background. The Silver Fleet will be a green flag.

8 RACING AREAS

Attachment B shows the location of racing areas.

9 THE COURSES

9.1 The diagram in Attachment A 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.

10 MARKS

10.1 Marks 1, 1a, 2P, 2S, will be yellow inflatable marks.

10.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 12.1, will be an orange inflatable mark.

With the new mark, an offset will not be used.

10.3 The starting and finishing marks will be boats displaying a staff with an orange flag.

11 THE START

- 11.1** The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the staff displaying an orange flag on the nearby boat as shown in Attachment A.
- 11.2** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. [DP]
- 11.3** A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1** 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.

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1** The finishing line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the staff displaying an orange flag on the nearby boat as shown in Attachment A.

14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 14.1** Time limits and target times are as follows:
- Target time for each race is 45 minutes
 - Mark 1 Time limit: 25 minutes
 - Finish Window: 15 minutes
- 14.2** If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.
- 14.3** Boats failing to finish within 15 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.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1** Protest forms are available at the race office located on the ground floor of the main clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2** The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the RC Vessel comes to dock.
- 15.3** 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 in the protest room, located in the Strathcona room on the second floor of the yacht club.

- 15.4** Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 15.5** A list of boats that, under instruction 1.3, have been penalized for breaking rule 42 will be posted.
- 15.6** On the last scheduled day of the qualify series or the championship a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.
- This changes rule 66.
- 15.7** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

16 SCORING

- 16.1** Attachment C details the scoring system which may be used for the event qualifying series. A notice will be made at 2100hrs, July 13 indicating the series format for the the event.
- 16.2** 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.
- 16.3** When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes rule A2.1 .
- 16.4** When 6 to 12 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 16.5** When a qualifying /final series is sailed:
- a. The qualifying series and the final series races will count to the total points in the championship.
 - b. A qualifying series race score will not count until all qualifying series fleets have completed that race.
 - c. If only one final series race is completed it will not be excluded.
 - d. If two or more final series races are completed then a maximum of one final series score may be excluded.
 - e. For the purposes of rule A4.2 "Scoring" the number of boats entered into the qualifying/final series race will be the number of the boats assigned to the largest qualifying fleet.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1** Check-Out and Check-In: Security Bracelets must be picked up in person and worn by all competitors while on the water. Bracelets must be returned in person promptly after returning off the water. Failure to return the bracelet will result in a 20% penalty for all races on that day.
- 17.2** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. [DP]

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 18.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the protest committee. [DP]
- 18.2** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the protest committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP]

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

20 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows:

- a. RC boat will be a vessel flying a Sail Canada RC Flag.
- b. Jury boat will display a J or "Jury" Flag.

21 SUPPORT BOATS

- 21.1** 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 fleet to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. [DP]
- 21.2** Support boats shall be marked with identification issued by the event authority. [DP]

22 TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

23 PRIZES

23.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top 5 finishers overall. The Canadian Club 420 Championship will be awarded to the highest placing competitor.

23.2 Prizes will also be awarded to:

- a. Highest Placing Junior crew (both helmsman and crew under age 17 for all of 2017).
- b. Highest Placing Canadian crew (Canadian citizens representing a Canadian Yacht Club).

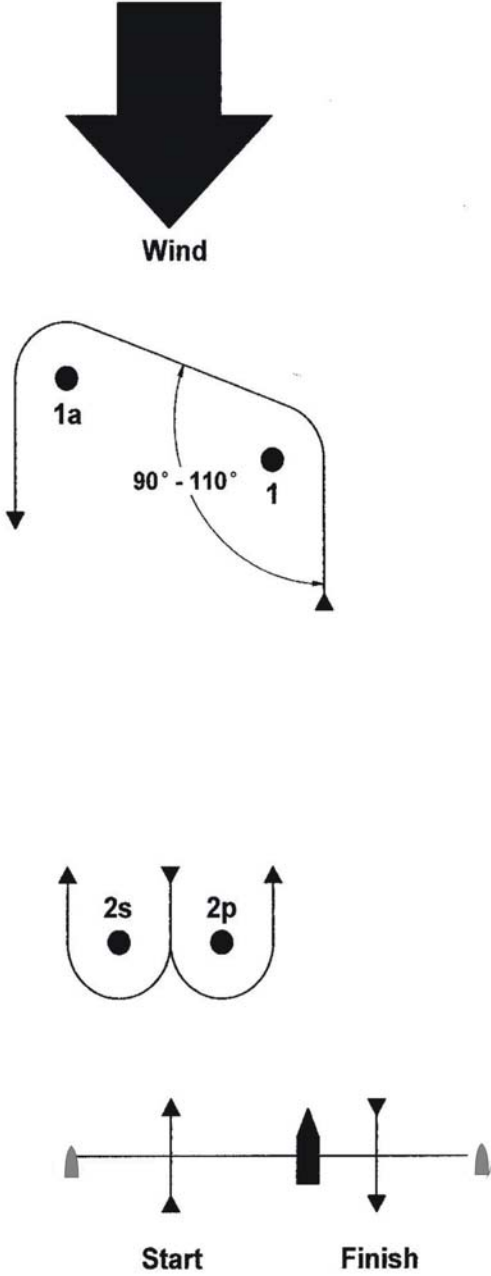
24 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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

25 INSURANCE

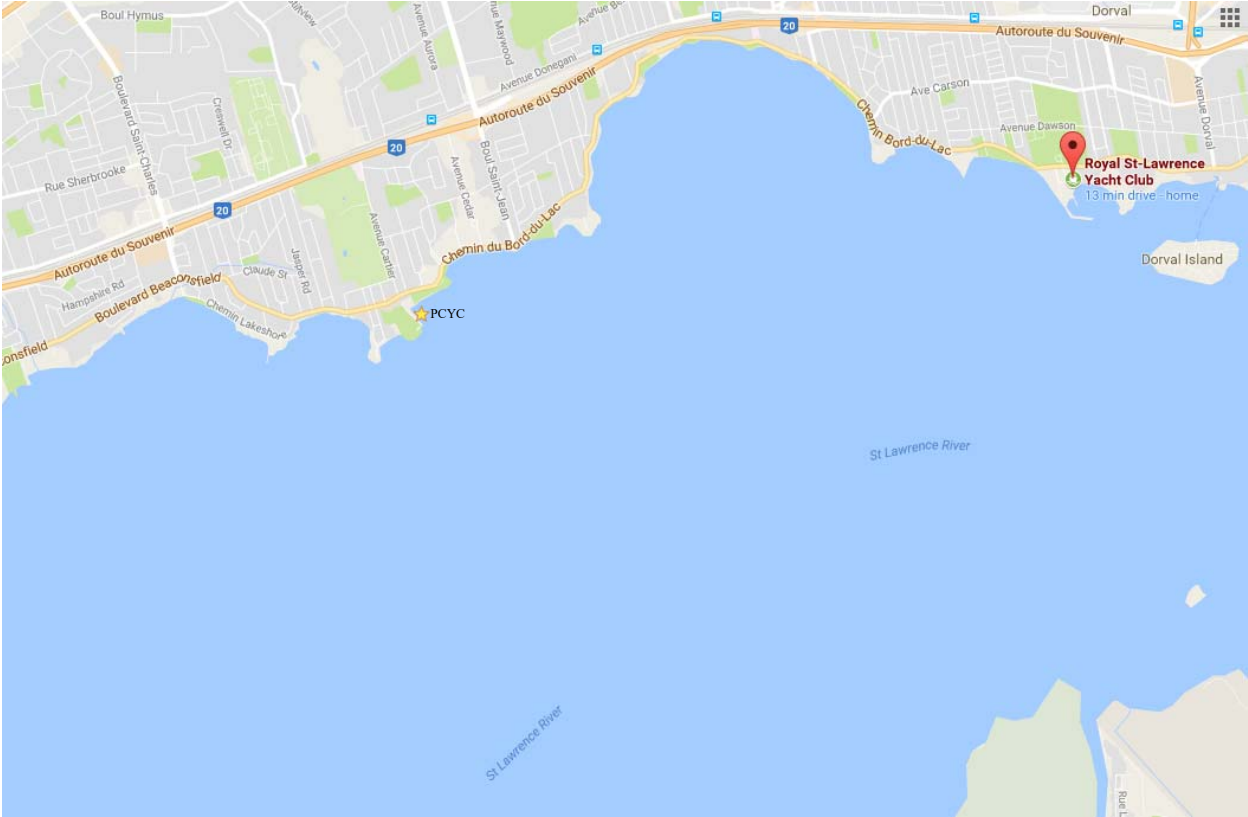
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1 million CAD per incident or the equivalent.

ATTACHMENT A: Course



Course	Mark Rounding Order
L2	Start - 1 - 1a - 2p/2s - 1 - 1a - Finish
L3	Start - 1 - 1a - 2p/2s - 1 - 1a - 2p/2s - 1 - 1a - Finish

ATTACHMENT B: Racing Area



ATTACHMENT C: Qualifying Series Format

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1. Introduction

1.1. This addendum applies when boats are divided into fleets to sail a qualifying series and a final series

2. Qualifying Series

2.1. For the qualifying series boats will be assigned to fleets of, or as near as possible, equal size and ability. Fleets will be designated as Pink or Green.

2.2. Initial assignments will be made by the seeding committee appointed by the organizing authority and will be posted by 2100 hrs on the last day of registration.

2.3. Both coloured streamers will be included in registration packages and the appropriate colour should be flown from the top of the mainsail.

2.4. In the qualifying series boats will be reassigned to fleets after each day of racing, except if on the first day only one race is completed. If all fleets have completed the same number of races, boats will be reassigned on the basis of their rank in the series. If all fleets have not completed the same number of races the series scores for reassignment will be calculated for those races numbered in order of completion completed by all fleets.

2.5. Reassignments will be made as follows:

Rank in Series	Fleet Assignment
1 st	Pink
2 nd	Green
3 rd	Green
4 th	Pink
5 th	Pink
6 th	Green
7 th	Green
8 th	Pink
9 th	Pink
And so on	

- 2.6. Reassignments will be based on the ranking available at 2100hrs that day regardless of protests or requests for redress not yet decided.
 - 2.7. If all fleets have not yet completed the same number of races by the end of the day, the fleets with fewer races will continue racing the following day until all fleets have completed the same number of races. All boats thereafter will race in the new fleets.
 - 2.8. If at the end of the qualifying series some qualifying series fleets have more race scores than others, any extra races will be abandoned so that all boat in the qualifying series have the same number of races scored.
3. Final Series
- 3.1. Boats will be assigned to final fleets on the basis of their ranks in the qualifying series.
 - 3.2. There will be the same number of fleets in the final series as there were in the qualifying series.
 - 3.3. The final series fleets will be, as nearly as possible, of equal size but so that the Silver Fleet is is not larger than the Gold Fleet. Boats with the best qualifying series ranks will race in the gold fleet. Boats with the next best qualifying ranks will race in the Silver Fleet.
 - 3.4. The Gold Fleet boats will have no streamer. Silver fleet must carry either colour streamer from the masthead.
 - 3.5. Any recalculation of the qualifying series ranking after boats have been assigned to final series fleets will not affect the assignments except that a redress decision may promote a boat to a higher fleet. Different series fleets need not have completed the same number of final races. The boats in the Gold Fleet will be ranked highest, except for a boat disqualified from a final series race under rule 5 or 69.