

# **RACE WEEK 2021**

# Anacortes, Washington USA June 21-25, 2021

# **NOTICE OF RACE**

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# The Organizing Authority (OA) is Whidbey Island Race Week LLC

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

# 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The US Sailing Prescriptions to The Racing Rules of Sailing shall apply and will be posted on the event website.
- 1.3. Applicable One Design class rules, as modified by this NOR and the Sailing Instructions, shall apply.
- 1.4. RRS Appendix T shall apply.
- 1.5. Boats shall conform to current <u>PIYA Regulations Governing Minimum Equipment and Accommodations</u> Standards for Nearshore. This modifies any applicable one-design class rules.
- 1.6. Boats shall carry and monitor a VHF marine radio.
- 1.7. Racing may occur near active shipping channels which include Traffic Separation Schemes so competitors are advised to pay close attention to the preamble to RRS Part 2.
- 1.8. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

#### 2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Advertising shall comply with World Sailing regulation 20 (see rule 6 and the World Sailing Advertising Code). Boats must inform the OA of their intent to use advertising, and advertising material must be approved by the OA by June 1, 2021. If approved, no advertising fee will apply.
- 2.2. Competitors are reminded of the brand exclusivity of official sponsors of the event, and advertising that competes with the official sponsors will not be approved by the OA and therefore, must not be displayed at the event.
- 2.3. If provided, all boats shall display sponsor's advertising on bow stickers for the duration of the event. These bow stickers will be supplied free of charge by the OA at registration.
- 2.4. Boats not displaying the event bow sticker on both sides will be subject to protest. [DP]

# 3. ELGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to One Design keelboats, PHRF, ORC, Multihulls and Cruising Classes (NFS). Six (6) boats are required to set a One Design fleet. For fleets less than 6 boats registered in any of these categories, entrants may be notified and moved to PHRF or ORC.
- 3.2. One Design fleets with eight (8) or more boats are invited to use Race Week 2021 to conduct a Nationals or North American Championship. Contact the OA to discuss customized racing options, registration and course specifications.
- 3.3. Boats racing under PHRF handicap shall have a valid PHRF certificate.

- 3.3.1.Race Week 2021 is a PHRF-NW event. Boats with a PHRF BC or PHRF rating from elsewhere in North America will be normalized to be consistent with the PHRF-NW database by the Event Handicapper at no charge.
- 3.4. Boats Racing under ORC Handicap shall have a valid ORC Club or ORCi Certificate.
- 3.5. In the event that a boats rating has been changed after the entry has been accepted, the OA shall be advised by emailing <a href="mailto:Schelleen@Rathkopf.org">Schelleen@Rathkopf.org</a>. No rating changes will be accepted after 1700 on Monday, June 7, 2021.
- 3.6. Boats may enter by registering online at: www.raceweekpnw.com
- 3.7. Registration closes June 7, 2021. Any entries after this time will be considered on a case by case basis at the discretion of the OA.

# 4. FEES

- 4.1. Race Week 2021 registration is \$450 USD for entries received up to midnight May 31, 2021.
- 4.2. For any entries received on June 1, 2021 and beyond, a \$100 USD late entry fee will be charged.
- 4.3. Registration cancellations up to March 1, 2021 will be refunded, less a \$100 cancellation fee. No refunds will be granted after April 1, 2021.

#### 5. SCHEDULE

5.1.

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Sun, June 20	1000 – 2000	Registration Packet pick-up (Regatta HQ)
	1730 – 1800	Competitors Meeting TBD *
	1800 - 2000	Opening night party TBD *
Mon, June 21	1100	Warning signal for the first race of the day
	1800 - 2000	Post Race Party TBD *
Tues, June 22	1100	Warning signal for the first race of the day
	1800 - 2000	Post Race Party TBD *
Wed, June 23	1100	Warning signal for the first race of the day
	1800 - 2000	Post Race Party TBD *
Thurs, June 24	1100	Warning signal for the first race of the day
	1800 - 2000	Post Race Party TBD *
Fri, June 25	1100	Warning signal for the first race of the day
	1500	No new races will be started after this time
	1700 - 1830	Overall Awards TBD *

<sup>\*</sup>Due to the global pandemic COVID-19, decisions about any/all post-race activities sponsored by the Organizing Authority will be made on June 1, 2021 based on the current social distancing mandates that are in effect in Island County, Washington. These adjustments to the Schedule will be posted as an addendum to this Notice of Race.

# 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available on the event website by June 1, 2021. Copies of the SIs will also be distributed during check-in.
- 6.2. Fleets hosting fleet championships at Race Week will receive a customized SI insert that addresses specific fleet championship Sailing Instructions.

# 7. VENUE

7.1. Racing will take place on the NE shores of Guemes Island. If weather conditions permit, there may also be some distance racing in the San Juan Island archipelago.

# 8. THE COURSES

8.1. Courses will be defined in the Sailing Instructions, and also as an amendment to this Notice of Race. Courses and the number of race circles and will be determined only after it is known what fleets are confirmed and

participating in Race Week 2021.

#### 9. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while *racing*. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty."
- 9.2 In an effort to maintain fair and equitable racing and mitigate the number of protests; some form of on the water umpiring may be used. Specific details will be contained in the Sailing Instructions.

# 10. SCORING

- 10.1. A maximum of fifteen (15) races are scheduled depending on fleet requirements, of which three must be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.2. A minimum of one race per day shall be completed per fleet for daily trophies to be awarded.
- 10.3. When less than five races have been completed, a boats score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.4. When five or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 10.5. For boats racing under the PHRF handicap system, results will be calculated by Time on Time.
- 10.6. For boats racing under the ORC handicap system, results will be calculated by Time on Time using the Triple Number scoring coefficient.

#### 11. SUPPORT BOATS

- 11.1. Registrants using coach/support boats shall register with the OA at PRRW HQ no later than 6 pm on June 20, 2021. Registered coach/support vessels must display the identifying flag that will be provided by the OA at all times while near the race area(s). A deposit will be required to be paid for the flag.
- 11.2. Support boats shall remain no less than 150 yards from the race course starting area and laylines from the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 11.3. Failure of a support boat to comply with NOR 11.1 or 11.2 will result in a protest against the boats associated with that support. [DP]
- 11.4. Support boats shall carry a VHF radio tuned to the designated race committee VHF channel for the circle they are nearest to.
- 11.5. Support boat drivers shall have valid third-party liability insurance.

# 12. BERTHING

- 12.1. Race Week 2021 registration fees do not include guest moorage at Cap Sante Marina operated by the Port of Anacortes (https://www.portofanacortes.com/marina/)
- 12.2. Race Week 2021 competitors will have exclusive guest moorage consideration on 'C' Dock at Cap Sante Marina from 0900 Sunday, June 20, 2021 through 12:00 Saturday, June 26, 2021. Additionally, Race Week 2021 competitors will have the exclusive guest reservation consideration for the RV park operated by the Port of Anacortes that is located across the street from the Marina from 0900 Sunday, June 20, 2021 through 12:00 Saturday, June 26, 2021.
- 12.3. Boat registration to Race Week 2021 is required before moorage and/or RV campsite reservations can be made. When a boat's race registration is processed, the registrant making the boat reservation will receive a code that is required when making moorage and/or RV campsite reservations.
- 12.4. Competitors must arrange moorage and RV campsite reservations directly with the Cap Sante Harbormaster's office by phone at (360) 293-0694. The Harbormaster's office will need the Race Week confirmation code in order to process the reservation.
- 12.5. Slip assignments will be posted on the Race Week 2021 website by June 14, 2021. Additionally, a list of the final slip assignments will be sent to all registered skippers by June 14, 2021.

#### 13. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission from the Principal Race Officer. [DP]

#### 14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 14.1. All boats shall carry and monitor an operating VHF radio.
- 14.2. Specific course VHF designations will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 14.3. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that could provide an advantage.
- 14.4. Commencing at the time 30 minutes prior to the warning signal for the First Start and at all times while racing, a boat shall not operate or receive images or media from a drone (UAV).

# 15. PRIZES

- 15.1. Daily fleet awards will be presented at the post-race party (see 5. SCHEDULE) to the top 3 finishers in each fleet.
- 15.2. Overall awards will be presented to the top 3 boats in each fleet at the Overall Awards Ceremony happening on Friday, June 25 in the post-race party area following the race day (see 5. SCHEDULE).
- 15.3. A Yacht Club Team Trophy may be awarded. A yacht club may enter one team of 3 boats from 2 or more different fleets to compete for the Yacht Club Team Trophy. The winning team will be determined by the best combined scores of the team's members as a percentage of the number of boats in their fleet. Yacht club teams must be identified at registration packet pick-up on Sunday, June 20, 2021 to be eligible.
- 15.4. The Philip Wise Sportsmanship Award is a perpetual award that will be given to the yacht or individual who shows exemplary sportsmanship at the regatta as determined by the Race Week 2021 Race Management Team.
- 15.5. The Molly Kool Cup Trophy is a perpetual award that will be given to a woman skipper who shows exemplary performance by a woman who is at the helm for the entire duration of racing at Race Week 2021.
- 15.6. Fleets conducting fleet championships at Race Week will provide specific fleet prizes for daily and overall winners.

# 16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 16.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. (See RRS 3 DECISION TO RACE). The Organizing Authority, Whidbey Island Race Week LLC, its Sponsors, their employees and volunteers do not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 16.2. The safety of a boat and its crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Skipper who shall ensure that the boat is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy, and manned by an experienced and physically able crew. Neither the establishment of regulations or inspection of a boat in any way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the Skipper.
- 16.3. The Skipper shall be responsible for the conduct of his/her crew. In the event of a serious breach of conduct, the destruction of property or the failure to comply with a reasonable request of any Race Officer or Committee Member, the Skipper will be responsible for all damages and the boat may be subject to protest, which may include disqualification from the regatta. [DP]

#### 17. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid, third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 USD per event or the equivalent.

### 18. EVENT NAME AND LOGO

Any commercial or editorial reference to this event must use the regatta's official name, Race Week 2021. Any commercial video of the event, including website productions, must be licensed by Whidbey Island Race Week LLC. Any use of the event logo on merchandise or gear without license by Whidbey Island Race Week LLC is

prohibited.

# 19. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 19.1. The Race Week 2021 website is www.raceweekpnw.com. Any amendments to these NORs and other important information regarding the event, including Sailing Instructions will be posted on the website.
- 19.2. Race Week 2021 Headquarters (HQ) will be located at Seafarers Memorial Park Building at the Cap Sante Marina in Anacortes. Race Week 2021 HQ hours:

Sunday, June 20, 2021: 1000 - 2000 pm Mon-Fri, June 21-25, 2021: 0900-1000, 1800- 2000

19.3. Race Week 2021 Contact Information:

Schelleen Rathkopf, Event Producer 2400 NW 80th Street, #130 Seattle, WA 98117 Schelleen@Rathkopf.org

(206) 384-5254

19.4. The Race Week 2021 Race Management Team:

# John Abel, Event PRO, Victoria BC

- World Sailing International Race Officer (IRO)
- Sail Canada National Race Officer (NRO)
- Race Management Master Course Conductor (RMMCC)
- Club Judge (CJ)

# Paul Evenden, RO, Vancouver, BC

- Sail Canada National Race Officer (NRO)
- Race Management Course Conductor (RMCC)
- Club Judge (CJ)

# Jared Hickman, Chief Judge, Seattle, WA

- World Sailing International Judge (IJ)
- US Sailing National Judge (NJ)
- US Sailing Chief Judge (CJ)
- US Sailing Regional Umpire (RU)

# 19.5. Helpful Links

PHRF NW http://phrf-nw.org/

PHRF BC http://bcsailing.bc.ca/racing/phrf-orc/

ORC www.ORC.org/clubapplication.

ORC Explained <a href="https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/orc/">https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/orc/</a>