

DYC 2010 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES: The races will be governed by the *2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) including the prescriptions of the CYA, except as altered by these sailing instructions.

2. ENTRIES: Entries are limited to boats registered in the Dalhousie Yacht Club (DYC) race program and such others as may be approved by the DYC Racing Committee. Registration sheets will be posted in the club and are available online at www.dalhousieyachtclub.ca. Registrants must have:

- a. Paid their racing fees (payment may be made at the Clubhouse to the General Manager);
- b. Have a valid PHRF Certificate (or a temporary one), or having paid class dues as a K25 competitor;
- c. Signed the insurance waiver. Please give to Race Committee member.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS: Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the main hallway in the DYC clubhouse. Code Flag L will be flown.

4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board prior to 1400h on the day it will take effect.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE: Signals made ashore will be displayed on the signal staff outside the DYC clubhouse and will be made in accordance with RRS Race Signals.

5.1 When AP is posted ashore, 1 minute is replaced by 30 minutes.

6. SCHEDULE: See Appendix A for season schedule.

6.1 The first warning signal may not be made prior to 1800h.

7. RACING AREA: The racing area will be located northwest of the harbour entrance.

8. THE COURSE: The courses will be as shown in Appendix B.

8.1 The course to be sailed will be prominently displayed on the stern of the Race Committee Vessel.

8.2 Distances and locations of marks vary. The gps data provided for mark locations are approximate and may not be used in a protest.

8.3 Windward-Leeward course: all numbered marks shall be rounded to port. C may be rounded to starboard, or the Race Committee Vessel, if it is on station, may be rounded to port as a leeward gate. If the Race Committee Vessel is off station mark C is the only leeward mark.

8.4 Triangular course: all numbered marks shall be rounded to port. C shall be regarded as a gate between the Race Committee Vessel and C. Vessels will pass C on port and the Race Committee Vessel on starboard. If the Race Committee Vessel is off station, mark C is to be regarded as a regular mark of the course.

9. MARKS AND VESSELS:

9.1 The course marks are white with colored numbers, 1.5 feet in diameter and four feet high.

9.2 The Race Committee Vessel will display a DYC Burgee.

10. THE START:

10.1 Before the warning signal, boats shall ‘check in’ by sailing past the stern of the Race Committee Vessel, on Starboard tack, and hailing their sail number until acknowledged by Race Committee. Any boat failing to ‘check in’ may be warned, in writing, on the Official Notice Board. A subsequent infringement may result in the boat being scored DNC.

10.2 Races will be started in accordance with the RRS.

10.3 Class flags will be:

<u>Fleet</u>	<u>Pennant</u>
Kirby25	one (1)
Spinnaker PHRF	two (2)
Main and Jib	three (3)

10.4 The starting line will be between the DYC burgee on the Race Committee Vessel and C.

10.5 Any object attached to the Race Committee Vessel shall rank as an extension of the vessel.

12. THE FINISH: The finish line will be between DYC Burgee or Orange Flag on the Race Committee Vessel and the nearest mark.

13. 720 DEGREES TURN PENALTY: Any boat which exercises this option (rule 44.2) shall file a report on the required form with the Race Committee. Failure to do so may result in her protest or disqualification.

14. TIME LIMIT: All time limits are at the discretion of the Race Committee Vessel.

15. CANCELED RACES: Wednesday races that are canceled will not be rescheduled.

16. COMMITTEE BOAT CREW: All boats are required to signup and provide one member to staff the committee boat twice per season. Any boat that fails to provide a crew member on their scheduled night(s) shall receive a 40% scoring penalty for the following race unless excused by the Race Officer. Any boat that does not sign up for two races will receive a 40% penalty on one of their non-drop races unless excused by the Race Committee. The Mandatory Crew Signup sheet shall be available at the First Racers Meeting and at the Clubhouse after Wednesday night racing.

17. PROTESTS: All protests as per the RRS.

17.1 Protests shall be written on forms available at the Club bar and lodged there within 45 minutes of the return of the Race Committee Vessel to its berth.

18. SCORING:

18.1 The Low Point Scoring System, RRS A4.1, will apply.

18.2 The best 4 out of 5 races will determine the winner of each serious series; all three count for the fun series.

18.3 The best 12 out of 15 races (excluding fun series races) will count for the overall season rankings.