Jericho Catamaran Classic Hobie Points Regatta

June 18/19, 2016 Vancouver, BC

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, 2013-2016.
- **1.2 For Hobie Classes:** Each boat entered shall have one member of her crew a member of the Hobie Class Association.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at the Jericho Office

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1000 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 a staff at the launch ramp.
- When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- **4.3** Rule 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- **5.1** Competitors' Meeting: June 18th, 1100hrs
- **5.2** Dates of racing:

DateAll ClassesJune 18th1200hrs first flagDateAll ClassesJune 19th1000hrs first flag

5.3 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1500hrs

6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 Class Flags will be designated at the Competitors' Meeting.

7 RACING AREAS

7.1 The racing area will be on the waters of English Bay off Jericho Sailing Centre

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 International Hobie Cat Class courses will be used. Reference Appendix A.
- 8.2 Number Pennants will be flown on the committee boat to designate course to be sailed.
- **8.3** When there is a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark. All other marks will be rounded to port.

- An Offset Mark, if used, is defined as a mark located approximately 200 ft from the windward mark at near right angles to the apparent wind direction, as determined by the Race Committee. It applies at the beginning of downwind legs.
- 8.5 If applicable, the Start/ finish lines are CLOSED to all boats unless starting or finishing.

9 MARKS

- **9.1** Course Marks will be Yellow
- **9.2** A second mark, A2, will be used for a separate upwind mark for all spinnaker boat classes. This will be Green.
- **9.3** The starting mark will be a staff displaying a red flag. The finish mark will be a staff displaying a blue flag.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

10.1 The orange cans between the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club and the Jericho Pier are considered an obstruction and to be treated as such.

11 THE START

- Races will be started as described in racing rule 26, except that an Attention signal, consisting of a series of sounds, may be made one minute before the Warning signal.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying a red flag on the Committee Boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark displaying a red flag.
- 11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting and finishing areas.
- A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4-2.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 There will be no mark changes during a race.

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a red flag on the Committee boat and a staff displaying a blue flag.
- When the course is shortened at a gate, a Race Committee boat near the gate will display flag S and boats shall finish by sailing through the gate from the direction of the previous mark. The finish line will be between the gate marks.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 RRS Rule 44.2 is changed for all classes to one 360 degree turn that includes one tack and one gybe

15 TIME LIMITS

15.1 Time limits are as follows:

Class Time limit Mark 1 time limit

All Classes 90mins 30mins

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.

Boats failing to finish within 15 mins after the first boat sails the course and finishes may be scored in their position on the course as determined by the Race Committee.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- Protest forms are available at the regatta office. Protests shall be delivered to the regatta office within the protest time limit.
- For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the Committee boat returns to shore. That time will be posted on the Notice Board. [The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and [protest committee] [jury] about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.]
- 16.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes after the protest time limit expires to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the regatta office.
- Notices of protests by the race committee or [protest committee] will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- Breaches of instructions 11.3, 18, 19.2 and 22 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the [protest committee] [jury] so decides.
- 16.6 On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
 - (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66.

16.7 Decisions of the [protest committee] will be final as provided in rule 70.4.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.
- 17.2 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.3 (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18 SAFETY

- **18.1** Check-out and check-in will not be implemented.
- **18.2** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee or an official support boat as soon as possible.
- 18.3 Any boat receiving 'hands on' assistance from rescue/mark boats will be scored Did Not Finish. *This changes RRS Rule A5*. The Race Committee may decide when a boat or crew needs assistance.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- **19.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.
- 19.2 Substitution of sails will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.

20 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 measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

21 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be designated at the competitors meeting.

22 RADIO COMMUNICATION

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.

23 PRIZES

23.1 Prizes will be given to the top 3 finishers in each class over 5 boats. Other classes will receive prizes as decided by the Organization Committee.

24 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.

25 INSURANCE

25.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$100,000 (USD) per event or the equivalent.

APPENDIX A - IHCA Standard Courses

No.	Course	Finish	Race Committee Options
1	(S) A C A (F)	Downwind	1G 1O 1GO
2	(S) A C A C A (F)	Downwind	2G 2O 2GO
3	(S) A C A B C (F)	Upwind	3O
4	(S) A C A B C A (F)	Downwind	4O
5	(S) A C (F)	Upwind	5G 5O 5GO
6	(S) A C A C (F)	Upwind	6G 6O 6GO
7	(S) A C A B C A C (F)	Upwind	7O

S = start, A = weather mark, B = reaching mark, C = leeward mark, G = gate, F = finish, O = offset mark if used.

△ A2

Mark A2 may be longer or shorter than A1. Mark C may be above or below the RC

'B' Mark Location: The Race Committee will endeavor to locate 'B' mark, the reaching mark, at either the windward or leeward end of the course approximately 90 to 105 degrees abeam of either the windward or leeward mark.

