

# HUDSON YACHT CLUB

## 2009 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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### 1. RULES

- 1.1. All Hudson Yacht Club races will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, except where amended by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. The 2009 SLVYRA PHRF handicap rules will apply, and all boats must have a valid SLVYRA PHRF handicap.
- 1.3. Boats must be properly registered with HYC to participate in a HYC series race.
- 1.4. The helmsperson of any competing boat in an HYC race shall be a member in good standing of HYC. Boats competing from another yacht club shall not be eligible for standing in any of HYC series and shall not be scored as part of HYC race results.
- 1.5. Boats shall be limited to one non-HYC member per crew of seven or less, and two persons per crew of eight or more.
- 1.6. Some races may be sailed in conjunction with other yacht clubs for example CVL/Hudson. These races will have their own set of Sailing Instructions and be scored separately as part of these series where applicable. If there is any conflict between Sailing Instructions, the HYC Sailing Instructions will take precedence for the results of HYC series races.

### 2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors shall be posted on the official sailing notice board of HYC located on the terrace.

### 3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Any changes to the sailing instructions shall be posted 2 hours before a scheduled start. Any change to the schedule of races shall be posted by 1200 hours on the day before it will take effect.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the mast at the Web Pier.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP.

### 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1. The scheduled dates of Club Racing are published within the HYC Club Calendar. Attachment 1 shows the scheduled dates of inter club racing.
- 5.2. For each series, the scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is shown in the following table:

<i>Series</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Classes</i>	<i>Number of Races</i>	<i>Warning Signal</i>
White Sail A, B, C	Tuesday	PHRF 1A, 1B/2 PHRF 3	1	1900
Keel Boat Wed A, B, C	Wednesday	PHRF 1A, 1B/2 PHRF 3	1	1900
Dinghy A, B, C	Thursday	Optimist Dinghy Handicap	2	1800
Keel Boat Sat A, B	Saturday	PHRF 1A, 1B/2 PHRF 3	3	1100
Keel Boat Fall	Wednesday	All Classes	1	1830
Keel Boat Frost Bite	Sunday	All Classes	1	1030

- 5.3. For Keel Boat Wed A, B, C Series races only, races that are abandoned or postponed will be re-sailed on the following Monday evening.
- 5.4. If a Monday night re-sail of a Wednesday night race is abandoned or postponed, it will be re-sailed on the following Monday night.
- 5.5. For Keel Boat Sat A, B Series races only, races that are abandoned or postponed will be re-sailed on August 29.
- 5.6. For Dinghy Thu A, B, C Series races only, races that are abandoned or postponed will be re-sailed on September 3, up to a maximum of 3 races.
- 5.7. When more than one class or fleet is scheduled to start on the same course, the warning signal for each succeeding class or fleet will be approximately one minute after the starting signal of the preceding class or fleet.
- 5.8. When more than one race (or sequence of races, for two or more fleets or classes) will be held on the same day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable following the preceding race or sequence of races. The Race Committee may make repeated sound signals approximately 30 seconds before the warning signal of the succeeding race.

**6. CLASS FLAGS**

- 6.1. Class flags will be:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Numeric Pennant or Flag</i>
PHRF 1 A	1
PHRF 1 B / 2	1
PHRF 3	3
Dinghy H'cap	4
Optimist	Class Flag
Combined Classes	F

- 6.2. Classes will start in the order defined in 5.2, unless otherwise indicated by class flags on the committee boat or Webb Pier.

**7. RACING AREAS**

- 7.1. All races will be sailed to the west of Quarry point with the exception of the Wednesday Series races June 3 to July 1 inclusive, which will be sailed to the east of Quarry point off Oka.

**8. THE COURSE**

- 8.1. The course shall be indicated on the race course board on the Race Committee Boat or the Webb pier if the race is started from there. Each red or green placard represents a mark of the course.
  - 8.1.1. Letters on a green background color indicates the mark is to be left to starboard.
  - 8.1.2. Letters on a red background color indicates the mark is to be left to port.
  - 8.1.3. A placard with an X followed by a number indicates the course will be sailed again. Example; W G S X2 indicates the course will be sailed twice; X3 the course will be sailed three times, etc..

- 8.2. The following letters will be used on the placards to indicate the course:

W = Windward                      G = Gybe                      L = Leeward                      S = Drop Mark

- 8.3. The first placard is the first mark of the course.
- 8.4. The race shall not be shortened to less than two legs of the course.

**9. MARKS**

- 9.1. Marks shall be orange or yellow inflatable buoys.

**10. THE START**

- 10.1. The start line will be between the mast on the Webb Pier, or the mast on the Race Committee Boat, displaying an orange flag, and an inflatable buoy at the other end of the line.
- 10.2. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 10.3. A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4 and A5

**11. CHANGE OF NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 11.1. To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will move the original mark (or finishing line) to a new position. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the mark may not yet be in the new position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated without further signaling to maintain the course shape.

## **12. THE FINISH**

- 12.1. The finish line will be between the mast on the Webb Pier, or the mast on the Race Committee Boat, displaying an orange flag, and a mark of the course.

## **13. TIME LIMITS**

- 13.1. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in their class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

## **14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 14.1. Boats intending to lodge a protest shall inform the Race Committee Boat upon finishing and provide the name and sail number of the protested boat.
- 14.2. Protests shall be written on forms available at the HYC office and lodged with the Race Officer or Bosun within thirty minutes of the Race Committee Boat's return to the harbour.
- 14.3. The Race Committee Chairman will be responsible for convening a jury of at least three members.
- 14.4. For protests between only HYC boats, the protest shall be heard immediately following the race. Protest hearings will be heard in the sequence officially noted as being received by the HYC office.
- 14.5. Within the Wednesday series, for protests between HYC and CVL boats, the protest shall be heard immediately following the race at the Club responsible for Race Committee for the race, except for races in the LTM Lake Championship which will be held immediately following the race at Oka.

## **15. SCORING**

- 15.1. The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.
- 15.2. For all HYC series, 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.3. Wednesday Series
- (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
  - (b) When from 4 to 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
  - (c) The boat of a competitor serving Race Committee duty will be scored for that race with the average of points scored by the boat in that series excluding discards.
- 15.4. Saturday Series
- (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
  - (b) When 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
  - (c) When 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
  - (d) The boat of a competitor serving Race Committee duty will be scored for that race with the average of points scored by the boat in that series.
- 15.5. Dinghy Series
- (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
  - (b) When 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
  - (c) When from 6 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 15.6. White Sail Series
- (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
  - (b) When from 4 to 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
  - (c) The boat of a competitor serving Race Committee duty will be scored for that race with the average of points scored by the boat in that series excluding discards
- 15.7. If a one-man boat is sailed by a different skipper in the same series, each race shall count as a separate entry.

- 15.8. The keelboat Saturday and Wednesday night series are open to competitors from other Clubs. For the HYC series results, only boats from HYC will be scored.
- 15.9. If a skipper is unable to fulfill Race Committee duty he or she is required to find a suitable replacement and notify the Bosun. Failure to do so will result in disqualification of their boat from all races in that series.

**16. MEASUREMENT / HANDICAPS**

- 16.1. A boat entered in a series must maintain their handicap status for the entire series of races.
- 16.2. Boat owners wishing to change the status of his/her boat from white sail to spinnaker, from spinnaker to white sail, or any other change in handicap status must do so in writing to the Club Measurer at the Club office 48 hrs before the start of a scheduled race or series of races.

**17. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 17.1. Each boat intending to race shall, before their first race on each day, come within hailing distance of the Race Committee vessel, and shall report its sail number and receive acknowledgement.
- 17.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

**18. TRASH DISPOSAL**

- 18.1. Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be deposited in the appropriate containers on shore at the Club or placed aboard support and race committee boats.

**19. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

- 19.1. Except in an emergency, 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
- 19.2. The Race Committee and HYC will monitor VHF channel 68.

**20. PRIZES**

- 20.1. Prizes for HYC series, fleet championships, and the club championship shall be given at the HYC Sailors Awards Dinner.

**21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 21.1. Competitors participate in the racing 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 racing.

**22. INSURANCE**

- 22.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 or the equivalent.

**ATTACHMENT 1 – SCHEDULED DATES OF INTER CLUB RACING**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Race Committee</b>	<b>HYC Series</b>	<b>LTM HYC-CVL-CVMO Wed Series</b>	<b>LTM Lake Championship</b>
May 20	HYC	Wed A1		
May 27	CVL	Wed A2	Spring 1	
June 3	HYC	Wed A3	Spring 2	LTM 1
June 10	CNDM	Wed A4	Spring 3	LTM 2
June 17	OKA	Wed A5	Spring 4	LTM 3
June 24	CNDM	Wed B1	Spring 5	LTM 4
July 1	CVL	Wed B2	Spring 6	LTM 5
July 8	HYC	Wed B3	Spring 7	
July 15	CVL	Wed B4	Summer 1	
July 22	HYC	Wed B5	Summer 2	
July 29	CVL	Wed C1	Summer 3	
August 5	HYC	Wed C2	Summer 4	
August 12	CVL	Wed C3	Summer 5	
August 19	HYC	Wed C4	Summer 6	
August 26	CVL	Wed C5	Summer 7	