

Amended OIYC Race Program 2008

**Submit Registrations to Fleet Captain Sail
PO Box 598, Eastsound, WA 98245**

Season registrations are due. You must send in your registration before you can be scored and qualify for Boat of the Year!

Committee Boat

The committee boat will vary from week to week. It should be on station no later than 6:00. It should be set approximately halfway between the windward and the leeward marks. The committee boat, when pointed bow towards the windward mark, will have the starting pin on its port side. The starting line should be set perpendicular to the direction of the wind. *Because the wind frequently dies after 7:30 p.m. on West Sound it is very important that the race start on time.* The race committee should not delay the start of the race to wait for one late boat. Please be on station early and start the race on time.

Contacts and committee for 2008

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| Fleet Captain | Rebecca Earnest |
| Measurer | Betsy Wareham |
| Protest Committee | Chris White, Betsy Wareham, Ian Wareham |
| Scoring | Bob Brunius, Vaughn Ploeger, Chris White |
| Website ("Race Book") | Bob Brunius |
| Marks and Buoys | Wally Lum, Vaughn Ploeger |
| Trophies | Jeff Rodenberger |

Amended West Sound Sailing Instructions 2008

Race Marks and Courses 2008

Marks S-South, E-East, W-West, and N-North are permanently set and are in the approximate locations shown on the map. Temporary marks may be used from time to time, especially if a Northeast mark is needed. Come within hail of the Committee Boat to find out the course for the day. Typical permanent-mark courses are as follows:

Course 1 Strong South Wind

Start – S – E – N – Start – S – N – Finish

Course 1 requires passing through the start/finish on the second windward leg but not on either of the downwind legs. Times will be taken at the crossing of the start/finish line on the second windward leg in the event there are no finishers of the full course.

Course 2 South Wind

Start – S – N – Finish

Course 3 Southwest Wind

Start – W –E or temp – Finish

Course 4 West Wind

Start – W –E – Finish

Course 5 North Wind

Start – N – S – Finish

Course 6 Northeast Wind

Start – N or temp – W – Finish

If course 2, 3, 4, or 5 is called and the committee boat flies the #2 flag, the course will be twice around. Boats shall pass through the start/finish line on the second upwind leg. If the wind is dying, then the shortened course flag may be set on the second upwind leg and the race will be finished on the first lap regardless of the #2 flag at the start.

Rules

The Racing Rules of Sailing as published by the International Sailing Federation govern these races, as modified by these Sailing Instructions.

Course

The race committee will set the marks and display the course number, fly the course number flag, or fly the come-within-hail flag and describe the course before the starting sequence.

Divisions

There will be two divisions, with separate starts. Boats with a PHRF rating of 160 or higher will start first and sail a shorter course than the second division. Boats with a PHRF rating below 160 will start 5 minutes later than the short-course boats.

Starting Sequence

The 5-minute sequence will be used according to rule 25 of the Racing Rules of Sailing and with additional signals as stated below:

The postponement (AP) flag will be flown as soon as the race committee is on station. At 6 minutes prior to the first start of a single or multi-start race the postponement flag will be removed and a horn sounded.

Pre-warning Signal Announcement: Approximately 10 seconds prior to the first warning signal there *may be* 5 quick horns warn sailors of the beginning of the countdown.

The Starting Sequence

| | Signal Flag & Sound | Minutes to <u>second</u> start |
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| Warning: | Yellow Class Flag + 1 horn | 10 |
| Preparatory: | P flag & Yellow Class Flag + 1 horn | 9 |
| One Minute: | Remove P Flag + 1 horn | 6 |
| <u>First Start</u> : | Green Class Flag + 1 horn | 5 |
| Preparatory: | P flag & Green Class Flag + 1 horn | 4 |
| One Minute: | Remove P Flag + 1 horn | 1 |
| <u>Second Start</u> : | Remove Green Class Flag + 1 horn | 0 |

Flags: The Short-Course Class Flag is a large solid yellow flag. The Long-Course Class Flag is a large green flag. The preparatory flag is the P flag.

Preferred multi-fleet start: If there are more than 8 boats on the starting line, the two-fleet starting sequence will be followed. For 8 boats or fewer, there will be one start. However, the short-course boats will still sail a shorter course. When there is more than one start to a race, then simultaneous with the removal of the class flag at the time of the first fleet's start, the class flag of the second fleet will be hoisted to announce the Warning Signal and 5-minute sequence for the next start.

Fall-back multi-fleet start: If the race committee is unable to hoist the next fleet's class flag simultaneous with the start of the previous fleet, then the following will occur. The race committee when ready will begin the next fleet's sequence as above beginning with Pre-warning Signal Announcement. In either case racers will note their 5-minute warning by observing the hoisting of their class flag.

Individual Recall: If there are boats over early the race committee will promptly display the X Flag and sound one horn. The race committee will attempt to hail the early boats.

General Recall: If there are enough boats over early that the race committee is confused about who was over early and who was not, or if the start sequence was seriously botched, then the First Substitute Flag will be flown along with two horn signals. When ready to restart then the First Substitute Flag will be pulled down and one minute later the Warning Signal for the restart will occur.

Starting Times

Friday night races: The first warning is at 6:15 p.m. and the first start is at 6:20 p.m.

Boats that do not finish promptly after 8:30 p.m. may be scored as DNF. ***Fall series***

Sunday races: The first warning is at 2:00 p.m. and the first start is at 2:05 p.m. Boats that do not finish promptly after 4:15 p.m. may be scored as DNF depending on how long the race committee wants to hang around.

Series Throw Outs

If a monthly series has 5 races that finished then one of the races will be scored as a throw-out. That is, a competitor's best 4 finishes will be used to decide the series standings.

Scoring

The time on time system of scoring races will be used. The number used in the denominator will be according to the US Sailing guidelines: 650 for light wind (boats are struggling around the course), 550 for moderate wind (boats can get around the course easily but there are few whitecaps), and 480 for heavy air (whitecaps). See complete description at <http://www.ussailing.org/phrf/TOT.asp>

The series results will be the total of all individual race results. Only those whose race fee has been paid by the end of a series can be scored for the series. The long- and short-course fleets will be scored separately.