

Paul McDonald/THSC Bell Buoy

Notice to Competitors

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Amended Sailing Instructions - Paul McDonald Race

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Notice:

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Amendments are in ***bold italics***

Sailing Instructions for the Paul McDonald and Archie Walker Races THSC/ABYC

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may be less than disqualification at the discretion of the protest.

1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in Racing Rules of Sailing, 2021-24.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Sail Canada shall apply.
- 1.3 Appendix T (arbitration) shall apply.
- 1.4 The PHRF-LO rules shall apply. Boats which do not have a PHRF certificate will be assigned an appropriate rating by the PHRF handicapper. Family crews are encouraged to participate and special prizes may be awarded.

2 Notices to Competitors

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at

https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/notices?event_id=9112

3 Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than 30 minutes before the first scheduled start of the day on which it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1700 on the day before it will take effect. Changes to the Sailing Instructions announced at the Competitors Meeting will be posted as soon as possible after the meeting.

4 Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the main flagpole southwest of the ABYC clubhouse beside the patio. Notification will be sent via email to competitors who registered at least 24 hours prior to the Competitors Meeting.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' after the AP is lowered.
- 4.3 Code flag 'N' over 'A' with three sound signals means the races for the day have been abandoned.

5 Schedule of Races

- 5.1 Dates of racing: Paul McDonald Race Saturday, June 22 Archie Walker Race Saturday, September 28.
- 5.2 Boats are required to confirm that they are racing and whether they will be sailing in the Jib and Main division or the Spinnaker division at the Competitors' Meeting to be held at 1100 on the patio to the west of the ABYC clubhouse under the tent. The first Warning Signal will be made at 1200.

6 Divisions

- 6.1 Division splits will be determined by each club's respective handicapper for individual club scoring. For Interclub scoring, Division splits will be: Division 1 FS under ASP of 120, Division 2 ASP 121 and higher, Division 4 All NFS boats.

7 The Course

- 7.1 From the start, the course will be around the headland to the west of the ABYC harbour entrance, leaving Eastern Gap Entrance Buoys (T1 and T2) to starboard. Boats will then round the Gibraltar Point Buoy (TE18) to port, and return by leaving the and Eastern Gap Entrance Buoys and ABYC Mark 3 all to port, then to the finish.
- 7.2 If the Race Committee signals a shortened course (Sierra flag) prior to the Warning Signal, the course will be from the start, leaving the Eastern Gap Entrance Buoy T2 to port, to ABYC Mark 3 to port, then to the finish.

8 Marks

- 8.1 Marks 3 and 7 will be yellow spar buoys with black numbers. Mark 3 is located at N 43°38.935' W 079°16.098', Mark 7 at N 43°39.503' W 079°17.232'.
- 8.2 T1, T2 and T18 are Transport Canada Marine Navigation buoys.

9 The Start

- 9.1 The starting line will be between staff displaying an orange flag on the RC vessel (normally the Sarah Ashbridge or Shadow)

and Mark 7 of the fixed mark course. There will be at least one minute between the start of one class and the warning signal for the next class.

Start 1 – All No Flying Sails (NFS) Division 4

Start 2 – All Spinnaker (FS) Divisions 1 & 2

9.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. The starting area is defined as a rectangle extending half of the length of the start line beyond each end of the start line and in front of and behind the line. [DP]

9.3 A boat that does not start within 9 (nine) minutes of her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

10 The Finish

10.1 The finish will be between the blue flag on the signal boat and mark 7 of the fixed mark course.

10.2 A boat which withdraws from a race shall notify the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity either by hail or by VHF radio on channel 71. A boat which fails to do so may be disqualified and/or be subject to disciplinary action by the club. [DP]

11 Time Limits

11.1 The Time Limit is 1645. If one boat in a division sails the course and finishes within the time limit, the time limit shall be 30 minutes after the first boat finishes or the time limit, whichever is later. This changes RRS 35. Boats not finishing within the time limit shall be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12 Requests for Hearings

12.1 Hearing requests must be made by completing the form at

https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/protests?event_id=9112

Once submitted, if you do not receive immediate confirmation that it has been received, send an email to protest@abyc.ca.

Alternatively, you may send a detailed email including all requirements of rule 61.2 to protest@abyc.ca.

12.2 The Hearing Request time limit shall be 1800. The Protest Committee shall extend the deadline if there is reason to do so.

12.3 The ABYC Protest coordinator (Wendy Loat) will schedule all hearings, most likely on Monday evenings.

12.4 Per Appendix T, an arbitration hearing will take place prior to the protest hearing and may be held immediately after the race if a certified judge is available, or by ZOOM as soon as possible.

12.5 Hearings will be scheduled at the first available date. Parties to hearings will be notified by email from racingrulesofsailing.org. All such emails will be from "Do Not Reply".

12.6 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted on the Official Notice Board at racingrulesofsailing.org to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

13 Safety Regulations

13.1 Boats shall not raise spinnakers prior to clearing the starting line. [DP]

13.2 Boats shall not race with anchors stowed such that they extend outside the deck edge of the boat. [DP]

14 Prizes

14.1 Prizes will be given as follows: Each club will award flags and trophies to its own boats. For the Paul McDonald Race, a Paul McDonald trophy will be awarded to the best No Flying Sails (NFS) boat and the best spinnaker boat based on corrected time of all No Flying Sails (NFS) and all spinnaker boats respectively.

15 Disclaimer of Liability

15.1 Competitors participate in Club racing entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. ABYC will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after racing.

16 Insurance

16.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance according to their club's bylaws.