



BLOSSOM TIME REGATTA

MAY 20-22, 2022

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY:

Kelowna Yacht Club,

1370 Water Street, Kelowna, BC, V1Y 1J1

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

[DP] denotes a rule for which a penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee.

[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes Rule 60.1(a)

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Sail Canada will apply.
- 1.3 Safety protocols may be in place for the duration of the event in accordance with the Kelowna Yacht Club Safety Plan which can be located at www.kelownayachtclub.com
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09:00 PDT on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 PDT on the day before it will take effect.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the Commodore's Dock.
- 3.2 The race office is located in the Grand Banquet Room.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 72.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Regatta Flagpole situated on the Western edge of the Commodore's Dock.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 There will be a competitor's meeting at the Commodore's Dock at 08:30 PDT on Saturday, May 21, 2022.
- 5.2 The scheduled time for the first warning signal, Saturday, May 21 is 10:00 PDT with no race starting later than 16:00 PDT.
- 5.3 The scheduled time for the first warning signal, Sunday, May 22 is 09:30 PDT with no race starting later than 14:30 PDT.
- 5.4 To alert boats that a race or a sequence of races will begin soon, a series of short sounds may be made one minute before a warning signal is made.

6. CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 The following is a preliminary guide of fleet divisions, subject to registration. At the close of registration, the race committee will designate the boats in each fleet. Fleets may be added, deleted or modified.

CLASS	FLAG
Santana 525	Santana Class Flag
PHRF 1	Pennant 1
PHRF 2	Pennant 2
PHRF 3	Pennant 3
AbleSail Okanagan	N/A

- 6.2 Fleet designations will be displayed on the Official Notice Board no later than 19:30 PDT on Friday, May 20, 2022.
- 6.3 [NP] Fleet identifying ribbons will be handed out at the competitors' meeting and is to be attached to the backstay. Failure to display this ribbon will not be grounds for protest.

7. RACING AREA

- 7.1 The racing area will be to the North of the Okanagan Bridge.

8. COURSES

- 8.1 The diagram in Addendum A *Course Diagram* shows the course and the order in which marks are to be passed. A separate course is shown for the AbleSail Okanagan Fleet.
- 8.2 Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes RRS 33.

9. MARKS

- 9.1 Marks 1 and 2 will be yellow KYC course buoys.
- 9.2 The starting line will be a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the starting mark.
- 9.3 The finishing mark will be a staff displaying a blue flag.

10. THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat and a green tetrahedral mark.
- 10.2 [DP][NP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

11. THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the committee boat and a yellow tetrahedral mark.

12. TIME LIMITS

- 12.1 The *Mark 1 Time Limit*, the *Race Time Limit* and the *Finishing Window* are shown in the table below.

MARK 1 TIME LIMIT	RACE TIME LIMIT	FINISHING WINDOW
30 Minutes	90 Minutes	30 Minutes

- 12.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the *Mark 1 Time Limit*, the race will be abandoned.

13. PROTESTS

- 13.1 Competitors are requested when finishing to inform the Committee Boat if they are intending to file a protest. Failure to do so will not affect the validity of a protest but is requested as a courtesy.
- 13.2 The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the committee boat has docked at the conclusion of the day's racing. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 13.3 Protest forms are available at the race office.
- 13.4 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the members' lounge, beginning at the time posted.

14. SCORING

- 14.1 The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will be used.
- 14.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 14.3 Scoring will be calculated using Time on Time, except for the 525 and ASK Classes which will be scored using actual time.
- 14.4 For all classes except the AbleSail Okanagan Fleet:
 - 14.4.1 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of their race scores.
 - 14.4.2 When from five (5) to seven (7) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of their race scores excluding their worst score.
 - 14.4.3 When eight (8) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of their race scores excluding their two (2) worst scores.

15. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 15.1 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

16. TRASH

- 16.1 All competitors are reminded of RRS 47 and will ensure that trash is not discarded into the water.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 17.1 All those taking part in the racing do so at their own risk and responsibility. The Organizing Authority is not responsible for seaworthiness of a yacht or for the safety of those whose entry is accepted. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the regatta. Attention of the competitor is drawn to RRS Part 1, Fundamental Rule 3.

18. RISK STATEMENT

- 18.1 RRS 3 states "*The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.*" By participating in this event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. The risks include, but are not limited to: strong winds, rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform, and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

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Signal	Mark Rounding Order
L1	Start - 1 - Finish
L2	Start - 1 - 2 - 1 Finish
L3	Start - 1 - 2 - 1 - 2 - 1 - Finish

