# 9<sup>th</sup> Ed. Of THE AROUND THE ISLAND RACE A Circumnavigation of Prince Edward Island

# July 25-28, 2024 Prince Edward Island Boating Festival

# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

# 1. RULES

- 1.1 Subject to the exemptions provided herein and the Notice of Race, the race will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* 2021-2024 (RRS), the prescriptions of Sail Canada and the 2022-2023 World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations.
- 1.2 If there is a conflict between the Sailing Instructions (SI) and the Notice of Race (NOR), the SI will take precedence.
- 1.3 PHRF entries shall compete with the equipment that is in compliance with their current PHRF certificate.

# 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located online on the Yacht Score event page and the Charlottetown Yacht Club (CYC).

# 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0700 on the day it will take effect.

# 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the CYC.

# 5. SCHEDULE OF RACE

5.1 Date of racing: Thursday July 25, 2024 – 0955 hrs – Warning signal Charlottetown Harbour (this amends the NOR).

# 6. RACING AREA

6.1 Charlottetown Harbour, Hillsborough Bay, Northumberland Straight and Gulf of St. Lawrence.

# 7. THE COURSE

7.1 Subject to change as posted, the course shall be as follows:

- (a) **START**: Between the **YELLOW** pin mark south of CYC to the signal flag post at the CYC.
- (b) Honour all RED harbour bouys entering the Charlottetown Harbour being RED C14, RED C12, and RED C18.
- (c) **Blockhouse GREEN C7** to Starboard [Flashing 4 second interval].
- (d) Spithead GREEN C5 to Starboard [Quick Flashing 1 second interval].
- (e) **St. Peters Island SOUTH CARDINAL CJA** to Starboard [Quick (3) Flashing 10 second interval]
- (f) Tryon Shoals RED N14 to Starboard [Flashing 4 second interval].
- (g) Cape Egmont RED G2 to Starboard [Quick Flashing 1 second interval].
- (h) West Point Reef RED D8 to Starboard [Flashing 4 second interval].
- (i) **North Cape NORTH CARDINAL DS** to Starboard [Quick Flashing 1 second interval].
- (j) **East Point EAST CARDINAL NDN** to Starboard [Quick (3) Flashing 10 second interval].
- (k) Cape Bear EAST CARDINAL NN to Starboard [Quick (3) Flashing 10 second interval].
- (I) **South of Indian Rocks Shoal** [unlit, unmarked] located SW of Wood Island Harbour (boats must <u>not</u> pass the shoal to the north). Take caution as the Indian Rocks shoal is dry at low tide. The RED N8 does <u>not</u> form part of the course.
- (m) Point Prim RED C2 to Starboard [Quick Flashing 1 second interval].
- (n) Fitzroy Rock RED C4 to Starboard [Flashing 4 second interval].
- (o) Spithead GREEN C5 to Port [Quick Flashing 1 second interval].
- (p) **Blockhouse GREEN C7** to Port [Flashing 4 second interval].
- (q) Honour all **RED** harbour bouys entering the Charlottetown Harbour being **RED C8**, **RED C12**, and **RED C14**.
- (r) **FINISH**: Between the **YELLOW** pin mark south of CYC to the signal flag post at the CYC.

# 8. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 The following areas are designated as obstructions:
  - (a) Confederation Bridge pillars; and
  - (b) Indian Rocks Shoal.

# 9. THE START

- 9.1 Monitor VHF 68 for starter's instructions. Audible signals may be augmented by flag signals at option of starter.
  - (a) Three horn blasts to warn of less than one minute to start sequence.
  - (b) One horn blast for the 5 minute warning signal.
  - (c) One horn blast for the 4 minute preparatory signal.

- (d) One horn blast for the 1 minute signal.
- (e) One horn blast for the start signal.
- 9.2 One horn blast will signal individual recall. Two horn blasts will signal a general recall.

# 10. THE FINISH

- 10.1 The finishing line will be between the CYC signal flag and the yellow pin end mark located south of CYC. NOTE: The finishing line may, at the opinion of the Race Committee, be shortened should conditions necessitate.
- 10.2 If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes (monitoring 68), she should report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

# 11. TIME LIMITS

11.1 There shall be no time limits although boats approaching the finish line after dusk are asked to inform the race committee by text (902-314-3639) and hail the race committee on channel 68.

# 12. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 12.1 Protest forms are available at the race office [located at CYC]. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 12.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat of that class has finished.
- 12.3 Notices will be posted no later than 60 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 12.4 Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

#### 13. RETIRING BOATS

13.1 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible by text (902-314-3639).

# 14. ENGINES

- 14.1 A boat shall not run its engine while racing with the exception of the following circumstances:
  - (a) A boat may run its engine if it is absolutely necessary to generate electrical power in order to maintain navigation and communication systems. A boat

- in this circumstance shall note same in the boat's log and report to the race committee. An engine in this circumstance may only be operated in neutral.
- (b) A boat experiencing an emergency or assisting another boat with an emergency may use its engine if required to respond to the emergency. A boat in this circumstance shall note same in the boat's log and report to the race committee. A boat resuming racing shall return to the point at which it engaged its engine and, if possible, maintain records of same in its navigational system.

# 15. COMMUNICATIONS WHILE RACING

- 15.1 Boats are to communicate with Race Committee via text (902-314-3639) twice daily at or about 0900 and 2100 hrs advising general status of vessel and crew, weather conditions and location.
- 15.2 Race Committee will relay Government of Canada Marine Weather warnings via text as forecasted.

#### **16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

16.1 Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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 race.

#### 17.INSURANCE

17.1Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a **minimum** cover of \$1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

**Note**: The impact of the covenvergence of tides at East point cannot be overstated. It is ill advised to underestimate this portion of the course.

