



**Shark Canadian Championship
Sailing Instructions
June 29 – 30, 2019
Kingston Yacht Club**



1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. Sail Canada prescriptions will apply. (See Attachment 'B')
- 1.3. The International Shark Class Association (ISCA) General Class Rules and Specifications will apply.
- 1.4. Sailing Instructions identified as [DP] will be subject to a Discretionary Penalty to be imposed at the discretion of the Protest Committee.
- 1.5. Boats must register with and use one sail number on every required sail. Boats which do not meet this requirement may be disqualified without protest.
- 1.6. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.7. If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1. The regatta is only open to Shark class sailboats that have a valid measurement Certificate.
- 2.2. The person in charge has signed the "statement of understanding" on the Entry Form (Each boat's 'person in charge' shall be a full member of a NSCA).

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the window at the SW corner of the KYC Clubhouse.

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the official flagpole on KYC pier
- 5.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal 'AP'. Boats are requested not to leave the harbour until this signal is lowered.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1. Saturday, June 29 09:30 hours Competitors Briefing KYC Clubhouse
- 6.2. Saturday, June 29 11.00 hours First Warning Signal
- 6.3. Sunday, June 30 11.00 hours First Warning Signal
No Warning Signal will be made after 1500
- 6.4. Number of Races:
 - 6.4.1. A maximum of seven (7) races will be held
 - 6.4.2. No more than four (4) races will be sailed on any day
- 6.5. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed on the Signal Boat, with one sound, at least two (2) minutes before a warning signal is made.

7. CLASS FLAG

7.1. The Class flag will be the Shark Insignia on a white background

8. RACING AREA

8.1. The racing area will be located on Lake Ontario, approximately 1/2 mile south west of the Kingston Yacht Club.

9. THE COURSES

9.1. The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the approximate angle between legs and the order in which the marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2. No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will designate the Course to be sailed by displaying its Signal from the Signal Boat.

9.3. Courses shall consist of a minimum of three legs.

10. MARKS

10.1. Course marks will be orange inflatable tetras. The offset (mark 1A) will be a ball.

10.2. New marks will be green tetras.

10.3. For any subsequent change, the original colour will be used.

10.4. The start and finish pin will be an orange flag displayed from a float or a boat.

10.5. Start and/or finish marks, if located in a boat, include the boat.

11. THE START

11.1. Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

11.2. The starting line will be between a mast on the signal boat displaying an orange flag at the starboard end and the starting pin

11.3. A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

11.4. If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line during the two minutes before her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee may attempt to broadcaster sail number on VHF channel 71. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

12.2. Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signaling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.

13. THE FINISH

13.1. The finishing line will be between the mast on the signal boat displaying an orange flag at the starboard end and the finishing pin.

14. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

14.1. The time limit for each race will be two (2) hours.

14.2. If, after a Start, no boat has passed Mark 1 within 30 minutes the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

- 14.3. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes, or within the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 14.4. The course length will be set with a target completion time of approximately 75 minutes for the first boat.

Time Limit	Mark 1 Limit	Finish Window	Target Time
2 hours	30 minutes	30 minutes	60 minutes

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1. Protest forms are available at the protest desk located in the Sunshine Lounge in the Clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2. Protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last finish of the day.
- 15.3. 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.
- 15.4. Hearings will be held in the KYC Clubhouse or as designated by the Protest Committee.
- 15.5. Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted during Protest Time to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.6. Breaches of instructions 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, and 25 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches are at the discretion of the Jury and may be less than a disqualification. [DP]
- 15.7. On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

16. SCORING

- 16.1. One races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2. When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 16.3. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP]

- 17.1. Before the warning signal of her first race each day, each boat shall sail past the stern of the committee boat, hail her sail number, and be acknowledged by a member of the race committee.
- 17.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

18. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP]

- 18.1. Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.
- 18.2. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

19. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 19.1. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by the Race Committee to proceed immediately and directly to a designated area for inspection.

20. SUPPORT BOATS [DP]

20.1. Support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the start until all boats have finished, retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

21. TRASH DISPOSAL [DP]

21.1. All trash must be kept onboard a competitor's boat and disposed of onshore. No trash is to be thrown into Lake Ontario, Kingston Harbour or the mooring ground of the Kingston Yacht Club.

22. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS [DP]

22.1. Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee or in the event of an emergency.

23. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS [DP]

23.1. Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

24. RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP]

24.1. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions, and shall not receive voice or data communications that are not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

24.2. The Race Committee may communicate information on VHF 71. Failure to make these communications or the sequence in which they are made shall not be grounds for redress.

25. ADVERTISING [DP]

25.1. Advertising will be permitted in accordance with Article 9.12 of the General Class Rules and Specifications of the International Shark Class Association (ISCA).

25.2. Boats may be required to display bow numbers and/or advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

25.3. Competitor advertising will be restricted as specified in ISAF Regulation 20.

26. BERTHING [DP]

26.1. Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the KYC harbour as directed by the Shark Regatta Harbour Master.

27. PRIZES

27.1. Prizes will be given to the crew of the top five finishing boats.

28. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

28.1. Competitors participate in the regatta 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 regatta.

29. INSURANCE

29.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$2,000,000 CDN per incident or the equivalent.

ATTACHMENT 'A' – COURSES

Course: Leeward Finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
L2	Start - 1 - 1a - 2p/2s - 1 - 1a - Finish
L3	Start - 1 - 1a - 2p/2s - 1 - 1a - 2p/2s - 1 - 1a - Finish

Course: Windward Finish

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
W2	Start - 1 - 1a - 2p/2s - Finish
W3	Start - 1 - 1a - 2p/2s - 1 - 1a - 2p/2s - Finish
W4	Start - 1 - 1a - 2p/2s - 1 - 1a - 2p/2s - 1 - 1a - 2p/2s - Finish

ATTACHMENT A

ATTACHMENT 'B' - SAIL CANADA PRESCRIPTIONS 2017-2020

Effective 1 January 2017

Sail Canada prescribes:

Rule 46 – Person in Charge

Sail Canada prescribes that the designated person in charge, if resident in Canada, shall be a member of a club affiliated with Sail Canada.

Rule 61.2 – Protest Contents

Sail Canada prescribes that no fee shall be charged for delivering a protest or a request for redress.

Rule 64.3 – Decisions on Protests Concerning Class Rules (insert directly under the title to the rule)

Sail Canada prescribes that unless otherwise provided in its class rules, the Equipment Rules of Sailing shall apply to all classes racing in Canada.

Rule 67 – Damages

Sail Canada prescribes that a boat that has been found by a protest committee to have broken a rule and caused damage shall be considered at fault for the purposes of rule 67.

Rule 70.5(a) – Appeals and Requests to a National Authority

Sail Canada so prescribes.

Rule 86.3 – Changes to the Racing Rules

Sail Canada so prescribes.

Rule 88.2 – National Prescriptions

Sail Canada prescribes that the sailing instructions for events with an international jury or no-appeal protest committee may change or delete any Sail Canada prescription except the prescriptions to rule 61.2, 67 and 91(b). The sailing instructions for other events may not change or delete any Sail Canada prescription.

Rule 91(b) – Protest Committee

Sail Canada prescribes that a request for an international jury formed under rule N1.7 comprised of only three members requires written approval be obtained from Sail Canada before making the request to World Sailing.

Appendix E8 – Appendix G Changes to Identification on Sails (insert directly under title to the rule)

Sail Canada prescribes that this rule applies to Canadian boats in all classes.

Appendix R – Procedures for Appeals and Requests (insert after the preamble)

Sail Canada prescribes that it may delegate an appeal or request for confirmation or correction to an association appeals committee, such as a provincial association appeals committee or a racing association appeals committee. Decisions of an association appeals committee may be further appealed to Sail Canada.

Appendix R2.1(a) – Submission of Documents

Sail Canada prescribes that no later than 15 days after receiving the association appeals committee's written decision, the appellant may send a further appeal and a copy of the association appeals committee's decision to Sail Canada. The appeal shall state why the appellant believes the association appeals committee's decision or its procedures were incorrect.

Appendix R2.2 – Submission of Documents

Sail Canada prescribes that in the case of a further appeal to Sail Canada, this rule shall apply to the appellant as though it was an initial appeal, and to the appealed committee as though it was the protest committee.

Appendix R3 – Responsibilities of National Authority and Protest Committee

Sail Canada prescribes that when an appeal is delegated to an association appeals committee, the responsibilities and actions required of the national authority in this rule, and in rules R4, R5, 71.2 and 71.3, shall be performed by the association appeals committee.

When a decision of an association appeals committee is further appealed, Sail Canada shall send to the parties, protest committee and association appeals committee copies of the appeal. No member of the association appeals committee shall take any part in the discussion or decision on the appeal.

Appendix R4 – Comments and Clarifications

Sail Canada prescribes that when a decision of an association appeals committee is further appealed, the parties, protest committee and association appeals committee may make comments on the appeal. Comments on the appeal shall be made no later than 15 days after receiving it from Sail Canada. Sail Canada shall send copies of the comments to the parties, protest committee and association appeals committee as appropriate.

