

SALTSPRING ISLAND SAILING CLUB



NOTICE OF RACE
ROUND SALTSPRING 2011



20-21-22 May 2011

www.saltspringsailing.ca/rss11/

Rules

Round Saltspring 2011 will be governed by the rules as defined in the **Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012**, the **Prescriptions** of the **Canadian Yachting Association**, this **Notice of Race** and the **Sailing Instructions**.

Between the hours of **Sunset** and **Sunrise** the **International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea** will apply (<http://inoa.net/zeilen/colreg.html>) with Transport Canada modifications (<http://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/marinesafety/rsqa-imo-colreg1972-513.htm>).

Eligibility

All **monohull** boats 20 feet LOA, or longer, are eligible to enter and compete for the Marshall Sharp Trophy. **Multihull** boats are also eligible to enter, but not to compete for the Marshall Sharp Trophy.

Requirements

All boats **must** -

- have a valid **Certificate of Insurance**, indicating public liability coverage of not less than \$1,000,000.
- have a either valid **PHRF-NW** or **PHRF-BC** rating certificate. Boats without a valid **PHRF** rating may obtain a **Saltspring Island Sailing Club One Time Club Rating** for the race. (see **Ratings** below).
- comply with **Pacific International Yachting Association (PIYA) Minimum Equipment & Accommodation Standards Category III** revised January 1, 2008, as well as current **Canadian Coast Guard** and **Transport Canada** safety and equipment regulations.
- be capable of operating for 6 hours under power.

Registration

All participants are encouraged to register by 6th May, when **Early Registration closes**. Registrations will continue to be accepted up until 18th May as space permits. Registrations received after 18th May may be accepted at the discretion of the Registrar.

All registered participants must pick up their Registration Packages from the Registration Desk before 2000 hrs, Friday May 20th. All boats whose Registration Packages have not been picked up by this time will be listed as DNS (Did Not Start).

The Race Committee reserves the right to limit the number of registrations. Refusal of any entry is at the sole discretion of the Race Committee.

Registration forms may be downloaded from our website.

Registration applications must include:

- a completed Registration Form
- full payment of all applicable fees
- a copy of a valid Certificate of Insurance
- either a copy of your valid PHRF-NW or PHRF-BC certificate or a completed One-time SISC Rating Application form

Please mail to:

Saltspring Island Sailing Club | 152 Douglas Road | Saltspring Island, BC | V8K 2J2

Skippers' Meeting

The Skippers Meeting will be held on Saturday, 21st May at 0830 hrs at the Saltspring Island Sailing Club.

Safety, Equipment and VHF

All boats shall be equipped in accordance with **current PIYA Category III** specifications. A signed **PIYA certificate** must be on board. **PIYA certificates** may be downloaded from our website.

Boats' equipment must also comply with **Canadian Coast Guard Regulations**. Lights must comply with current **Transport Canada Collision Regulations**. Boats which do not display legal navigation lights after **sunset** and before **sunrise** are subject to disqualification.

The Race Committee reserves the right to inspect all boats. Boats in violation of PIYA III, Coast Guard, or Transport Canada regulations will be disqualified.

Saltspring Island Sailing Club recommends that all **Round Saltspring** sailors wear Transport Canada approved flotation devices, strobe lights, and use safety harnesses while sailing between Sunset and Sunrise.

If a vessel is drifting into danger, grounded, or to avoid a collision, minimal use may be made of its engine, **but not to better its position**. A two turn penalty including two tacks and two gybes under sail must be made after clearing and returning to a position away from the finish and having disengaged the engine. Engine usage must be logged with diagrams and reported to the Race Committee within 1 hour of finishing. Rule 42.3(h) applies.

Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available to all entrants in the race package provided at the SISC registration desk prior to the Race. These will contain full race instructions including start and finish protocols, protest policies and penalty turn rules.

Course

The course for **Round Saltspring** will be announced at the **Skippers' Meeting**, signaled from the **Committee Boat** and posted on the **Gate House Notice Board**.

Green course is **clockwise** around Saltspring Island...

- The Sisters and Chain Islands must be left to port when leaving Ganges, and to starboard when returning to Ganges Harbour.
- Saltspring Island, Grappler Rock, and Atkins Reef are to be left to starboard.

Red course is **counter-clockwise** around Saltspring Island...

- The Sisters and Chain Islands are to be left to port when leaving Ganges, and to starboard when returning to Ganges Harbour.
- Saltspring Island, Atkins Reef and Grappler Rock, are to be left to port.

Race Divisions

There will be at least three divisions, by rating, for monohulls. A No-Flying Sails division may be created. The divisions will be announced at the Skippers meeting.

A separate division and start may be established for multihulls if 5 or more multihulls are registered by May 7th.

Scoring

Each boat's finishing times will be corrected using the PHRF-NW Time-on-Time formula.

Ratings

The Saltspring Island Sailing Club Handicapper will determine the rating to be allotted to each boat.

Owners of boats with valid PHRF-NW certificates will sail with that rating. A SISC rating will be assigned to PHRF-BC boats — at no cost — to align them with PHRF-NW standards.

Boat owners without a current PHRF-NW or PHRF-BC certificate must submit a completed **SISC One-time Club Rating Application** form, with complete boat specifications, to the SISC Handicapper with a fee of \$15 as part of their race registration. If applying for a one-time rating, please include any expired PHRF certificates you have for your boat in your application.

If a competitor decides to race a boat with a smaller sail area than that prescribed on their PHRF-NW rating certificate, such a decision must be made and declared by **May 16th**. In all instances, the SISC Rating Handicapper shall determine the "as raced" rating for all boats, which will not be subject to appeal.

All No Flying Sail division boats must be registered by **May 16th** in order to sail with a NFS rating.

Moorage at SISC

SISC will endeavour to provide moorage to all visiting race entrants at the club docks subject to availability.

There is no charge for moorage from early Friday, May 20th to late Sunday, May 22nd. Our very reasonable reciprocal rates will apply to boats that have made prior arrangements to stay longer. (Please give the Club plenty of notice if this is the case.)

On-dock SISC wharfingers will allocate moorage spaces to all visiting boats.

Radio Communication

The race committee will monitor on Channel 72. Individual or General Recalls will be announced on Channel 72. Use Channel 16 and standard Coast Guard procedures for emergency communications. Except for the foregoing and an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. **Rule 41 applies**

Awards

The race awards will be presented after the lamb roast at the SISC grounds on Sunday, May 22nd.

The **Marshall Sharp Trophy** will be awarded to the overall winner. The **Doug Thomas Memorial Trophy** will be awarded to the winning SISC boat. Trophies will also be awarded to the first three finishers of each division. The **Tar and Feathers Trophy** will be awarded to the last finisher. Numerous other valuable prizes will be offered.

Amendments to Notice of Race

Any amendments to this notice of race will be posted on the Race website and confirmed in the Sailing Instructions to be provided in the skippers packages at SISC on Friday, May 20th and posted on **the Gate House Notice board**.

Contacts

For further race information please visit the Round Saltspring race website

<http://www.saltspringsailing.ca/rs2011>

or contact Round Saltspring Race Registrar, **Wendy Vine**.

email: rs-registrar@saltspringsailing.ca Phone: **(250) 537-9265**

For handicapping questions, contact SISC Handicapper, **Roger Kibble**.

email: rkibble@shaw.ca

For information about Salt Spring Island, visit www.saltspring.org