

Charlottetown Race Week 2026

Thursday, July 16th - Saturday, July 18th, 2026

Organising Authority: Charlottetown Yacht Club
Location: Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, Canada



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

- 1 RULES
 - 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
 - 1.2 Sail Canada Prescriptions shall apply.
 - 1.3 [DP] For the Etchells class, the International Etchells Association Class Rules shall apply.
- 2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
 - 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 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 at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu/50677>
 - 3.2 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 71 for Circle 1 and VHF channel 72 for Circle 2.
 - 3.4 The following communications may be made by the race committee on the VHF.
Location of race committee vessel
Starting order of classes
Courses
Starting signals
Recalls
- 4 CODE OF CONDUCT
 - 4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- 5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE
 - 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Charlottetown Yacht Club signal mast on the waterside of the clubhouse.
 - 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.
- 6 SCHEDULE OF RACES
 - 6.1 The competitor's briefing shall occur at the Charlottetown Yacht Club's back deck at 0900 on Thursday, July 17th.
 - 6.2 A morning briefing will be provided on Friday, July 18th, and Saturday, July 19th at 0900 on the back deck of the Charlottetown Yacht Club.
 - 6.2

Class / Fleet	Total Number of Races	Scheduled Races Per Day
PHRF Fleets	6	2
One Design	9	3
 - 6.3 The race committee may run one extra race on a day, provided that it does not get more than one race ahead of schedule and does not exceed the number of total races scheduled for the event.
 - 6.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for each day's first race is 1100.

- 6.5 To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

7 CLASS FLAGS

Class	Flag
PHRF A	Pink
PHRF B	Green
J29	Yellow
Farr 30	Class flag
Etchells	Class flag
J70	Class flag

8 RACING AREA

- 8.1 Racing will take place inside and/or outside Charlottetown harbour.

- 8.2 Fleets are assigned to Circle 1 or Circle 2 in the table below.

Circle 1	Circle 2
PHRF A	Etchells
J 29	J70
Farr 30	PHRF B

- 8.3 The location of Circle 1 and Circle 2 will be announced at the daily competitors briefing and broadcast on the appropriate VHF channels prior to racing.

9 COURSES

- 9.1 For Windward Leeward courses, the diagram in SI Addendum A shows the course, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

- 9.2 For Round-the-buoy courses, Addenda B and C shows available marks, excluding additive marks highlighted in SI 10.4, that could be used by the Race Committee. The course shall be displayed on a whiteboard and broadcast on the appropriate VHF radio channel.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 The marks to be used by each fleet are:

Class	Start	Windward (1)	Leeward (2)	Finish	Change
PHRF A	Orange tet	Yellow tet	Yellow tets	Orange tet w/t red dots	Yellow cylinder
J29	Orange tet	Orange tet	Yellow tets	Orange tet w/t red dots	Orange tet w/t red dots
Farr 30	Orange tet	Yellow tet	Yellow tets	Orange tet w/t red dots	Yellow cylinder
Etchells	Green Markset	Yellow Markset	Yellow Marksets	Orange tet	
J70	Green Markset	Yellow Markset	Yellow Marksets	Orange tet	
PHRF B	Green Markset	Orange Markset	Yellow Marksets	Orange tet	

- 10.2 If a gate mark is missing, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port.

- 10.3 When using autonomous marks, the RC may make minor adjustments (up to 15 degrees and 0.2 nautical miles in length) to the course during a race without signalling a course change. This changes RRS 33.

- 10.4 For Around the Buoys courses, the race committee signal boat will display a course board mounted on its stern before the warning signal. The course will use navigational buoys for marks as described in Addendum B and C. When a triangle with the letter 'Y' or 'O' inside of it appears on the course board as a mark of the course, it shall indicate that the mark is either a yellow (Y) or an orange (O) tetrahedron. All marks of the course will be followed by either the letter 'P', indicating that the mark shall be left to port, or 'S', indicating that the mark shall be left to starboard.

See Addendum B: Racing Area - Hillsborough Bay and Addendum C: Racing Area - Charlottetown Harbour.

11 OBSTRUCTIONS

- 11.1 Charlottetown Harbour and the surrounding waters have many dangerous areas that should be carefully navigated. Competitors are responsible for familiarising themselves with the underwater features of the area and always maintaining safe navigation.

- 12 THE START
- 12.1 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 12.4 [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 12.5 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the Race Committee will attempt to hail her sail number on the appropriate VHF channel. A boat may not request redress based on failure of the Race Committee to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed. This changes RRS 61.1(a).
- 12.6 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.
- 13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE
- 13.1 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.
- 13.2 For fleets using autonomous marks (Markset bots), the Race Committee will move the appropriate mark.
- 14 THE FINISH
- 14.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port end finishing mark.
- 15 PENALTY SYSTEM
- 15.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty except when the incident occurs in the zone (NoR 12.1).
- 16 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES
- 16.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.
- | <u>Mark 1 Time Limit</u> | <u>Race Time Limit</u> | <u>Finishing Window</u> |
|--------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 45 minutes | 1.5 hours | 20 minutes |
- 16.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 16.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course. Boats starting but failing to sail the course within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the finishing place of the last boat that sailed the course within the Finishing Window and was not penalised under RRS 30.3 or 30.4. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 16.4 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.
- 17 HEARING REQUESTS
- 17.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the Signal vessel returns to her berth. The time will be posted on the official notice board. The protest time limit may be different for different race areas.
- 17.2 Hearing request forms are available from the registration desk in the main hall.
- 17.3 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. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located in the Wayne Gray Memorial Lounge, beginning at the time posted.
- 18 SCORING
- 18.1 One (1) race is required to be scored to constitute a series.
- 18.2 (a) When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.
(b) When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

19.1 All boats shall check in with the Signal vessel on their course before the first race of the day by sailing past the stern of the Signal vessel on starboard tack hailing her sail number, class and the number of persons on board. Check in via VHF shall not be accepted.

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

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

20.1 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS (Etchells class only)

21.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

22 OFFICIAL VESSELS

22.1 Official vessels will be identified with an RC flag.

25 TRASH DISPOSAL

25.1 Trash may be placed aboard official vessels.

23 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

23.1 [DP] Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

24 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

24.1 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 last race of the event.

24.2 Keelboats shall not be cleaned below the waterline by any means between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the last race of the event.

25 RISK STATEMENT

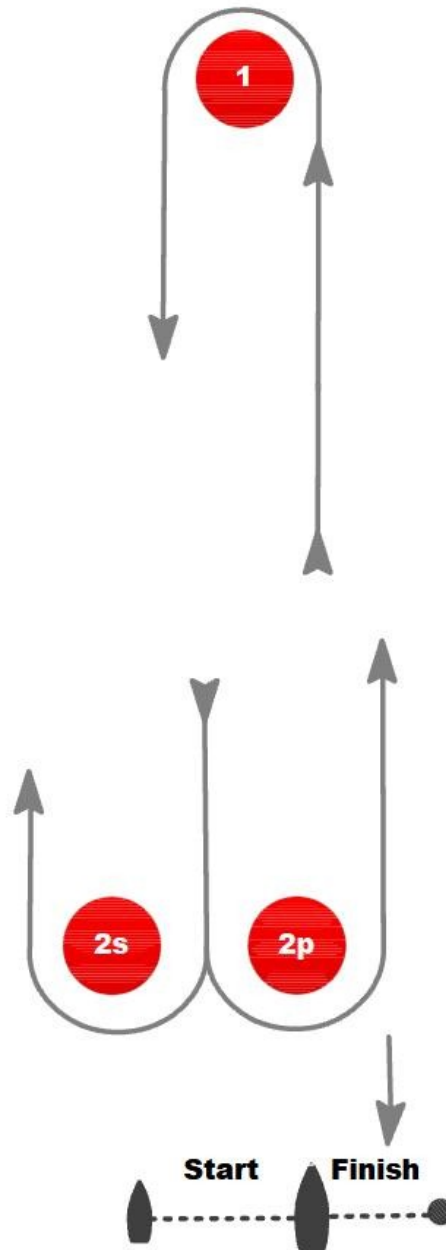
30.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and 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. Each venue jurisdiction may need a different or modified version of this risk statement.

31 INSURANCE

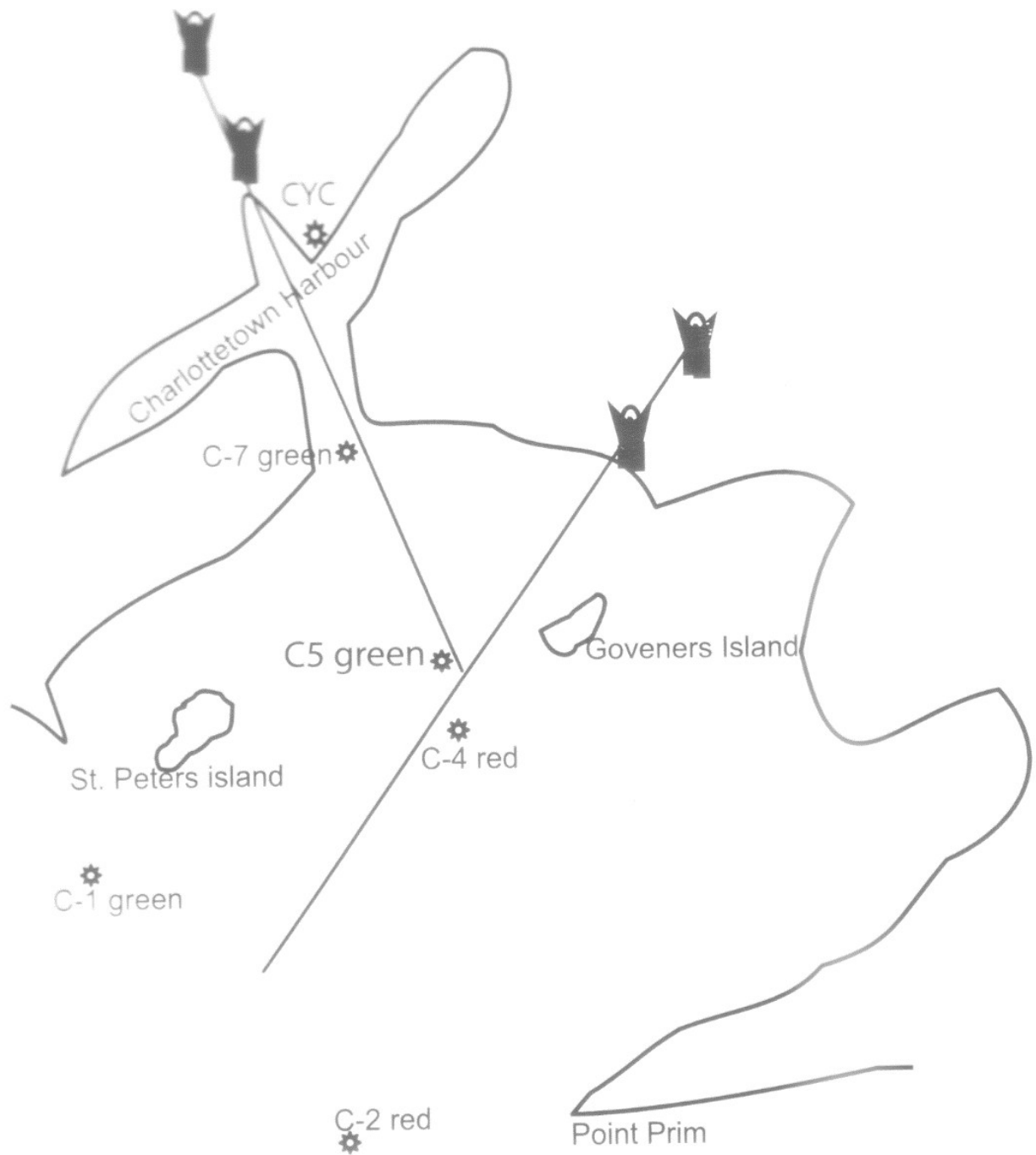
31.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 CDN per incident or the equivalent.

ADDENDUM A
Windward Leeward Course

Start - 1 – 2s/2p – 1 - Finish



ADDENDUM B
Racing Area - Hillsborough Bay



	Lat	Long	
C-1	46 05 00	63 13 48	St Peters Island
C-2	46 02 40	63 06 50	Point Prim
C-4	46 07 55	63 06 42	Fitzroy Rock
C-5	46 08 54	63 06 04	Spithead
C-7	46 11 36	63 07 36	Blockhouse

ADDENDUM C
Charlottetown Harbour



	Lat	Long	
C-7	46 11 36	63 07 36	Blockhouse
C-8	46 12 14.5	63 07 54	Battery
C-9	46 12 37.5	63 08 09	Canceaux
C-12	46 12 54	63 07 51	Rosebank
C-13	46 13 17	63 07 54	Middle Ground
C-14	46 13 28	63 07 25.5	CYC Red
C-15	46 13 40	63 07 32.5	CYC Green
C-18	46 13 46.5	63 06 47	Railway