

Adventuress Cup 2020

Sailing Instructions

v4

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1 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 US Sailing prescriptions to the following rules apply: RRS 34, 40, 48.1, 60.3, 61.4, 63.2, 63.4, 64.3(b), 67, 70.5(a), 76.1, 82, 86.3, 88.2, Appendix G and R. Inclusion of additional prescriptions may be noted elsewhere in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions. US Sailing prescriptions are available at www.ussailing.org.
- 1.3 Changes to the rules may be noted elsewhere in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions. If the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions are in conflict, the Sailing Instructions have precedence.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at <https://www.soundexp.org/adventuresscup/>
- 2.2 The race committee may provide unofficial communication, which is communication not governed by the rules, at any time by hail or over VHF. A request for redress may not be based on any aspect of unofficial communication, including content, timeliness, or failure to hear. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 2.3 **VHF Channel 69** will be used for all communication to race participants.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board by 0930 the day it takes effect, however, the race committee may announce additional changes on the water over VHF as needed.

4 SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 19th

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| 5:00pm | All Participants Meeting Zoom Meeting details will be emailed to each registered participant |
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Sunday, September 20th

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| 9:50am - 10:00am | Muster for Parade -- outside north end of Shilshole breakwater |
| 10:00am - 10:30am | Parade to the Course -- led by Adventuress All participants (sail and power) are encouraged to join |
| 10:30 - 10:55am | Pre-Race Prep Time Powerboats to proceed to designated observation areas per Kwindoo race tracking app |
| 11:00am | First Start (first warning signal at 10:55am) |
| 12:30pm 2:30pm | Live Streaming Program Begins |
| 2:00pm - 2:30pm | Awards Awards will be announced via the online media stream and live over the PA on the water |

4.2 Most classes will sail a single race with length determined based on conditions with the intent of having all boats finish by 2:00pm. Dinghy classes may race several shorter races within the same time period.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be made from a race committee signal boat while moored at Shilshole Marina dock W or dock X.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after the removal of AP unless at that time the race is postponed again or abandoned. This changes RRS Race Signals AP.

6 RACING AREA AND RACE COMMITTEE SIGNAL BOAT

- 6.1 The racing area is Puget Sound in the vicinity of Shilshole Bay and the area north of Meadow Point.
- 6.2 The race committee signal boat will be the CYC M/V YC 5. If necessary, an alternate race committee signal boat may be used. The race committee signal boat will display the CYC burgee and a blue "R/C" flag or sign.

7 CLASSES

- 7.1 PHRF Flying Sails, PHRF No-Flying-Sails, Dinghy Classes, and other One Design classes with at least five boats will be scored separately.
- 7.2 The class list and assignments will be announced as a notice to competitors issued during the participants meeting on Saturday, September 19th at 5:00PM. Subsequent changes may be made with the same process as changes to the Sailing Instructions.

8 COURSES

- 8.1 The course will be signaled from a reader board on the race committee signal boat. The course description is a series of letters on one row indicating the marks and their required sequence. The first letter displayed is the starting mark buoy, the last letter is the finishing mark buoy, and the letters between are rounding marks. The class number or symbol may precede the course for that class and must be shown if there are multiple rows. Multiple classes may be listed on one row.
- 8.2 Marks are specified in Attachment A: Mark Descriptions.
- 8.3 All rounding marks other than gate marks and mark F must be left to port. When mark F is used as a rounding mark, a boat must round by crossing the finishing line from the direction of the last mark. When mark S is used as a rounding mark following a leeward mark, a boat must also cross the starting line from the direction of the last mark when rounding.
- 8.4 A leeward rounding mark may be a gate mark. If one of the gate marks is missing, the course at that mark is to round the remaining mark to port.
- 8.5 If a starting or finishing mark is substituted by an object displaying flag M, repetitive sound signals are not required. This changes RRS 34(b).
- 8.6 After completing the first leg of the course, a boat shall not cross the finishing line unless she is finishing or rounding the finishing mark buoy as a rounding mark. A boat that fails to observe this restriction may exonerate herself by taking a Two Turns Penalty as described in RRS 44.2. This changes RRS 28.2 (the string rule). A boat that fails to exonerate herself will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5. The finishing line and its marks are an obstruction and not a mark for a boat required to keep clear.
- 8.7 Except while rounding mark "E" as a mark of the course, a boat must not enter the area near the Shilshole Marina south entrance between Shilshole Bay entrance lighted buoy G "1", entrance lighted buoy R "2", and breakwater light G "3". A boat that fails to observe this restriction may not exonerate herself. This area is an obstruction for a boat required to keep clear.

9 THE START

- 9.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of the starting mark buoy.
- 9.3 If a general recall for a preceding class is signaled after the warning signal of a succeeding class, then the visual signals for the succeeding class will be removed and the start of the succeeding class will be considered abandoned without further signal.
- 9.4 If a boat is subject to RRS 29.1, Individual Recall, or RRS 30, Starting Penalties, the race committee may attempt to hail her sail number directly and on VHF. This is unofficial communication as in Sailing Instructions 2.2.
- 9.5 A boat starting later than five minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes RRS A5.
- 9.6 A boat whose warning signal has not been made must avoid the starting area when other boats are racing but have not yet started.
- 9.7 The race committee signal boat, when a starting mark, may maneuver to maintain the starting line at any time, including while anchored.

10 THE FINISH

- 10.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of the finishing mark buoy.
- 10.2 The race committee may adjust the finishing marks to maintain the finishing line without regard to RRS 33.

11 TIME LIMIT

- 11.1 The time limit is until 2:00PM, or later if so announced by the Race Committee boat via VHF and/or verbal hail. A boat that does not finish within her time limit will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35.

12 PROTESTS AND PENALTIES

- 12.1 A boat intending to protest or request redress for an incident that occurred while racing must orally notify the race committee on the signal boat as soon as reasonably possible after retiring or finishing (and no later than 5 minutes after the race time limit) by hail or VHF until she receives an oral confirmation from the race committee. This changes RRS 61.1(a).
- 12.2 Due to COVID-19 all protests will be handled using the “Three Minute Justice” approach. The procedure will be as follows:
- 12.3 The protesting and protested skippers must meet immediately after the race, and will, each select another member of the fleet to act as a juror. The use of fleet members is a key feature of Three Minute Justice. We rely on the continuity and camaraderie of our fleet to overcome potential conflicts of interest. In exchange we gain knowledge of the boats and the sailing conditions of the just completed race. We obtain a quick decision and retain the congenial atmosphere that characterizes our sailing and racing. The jury will consist of the two selected fleet members plus the protest committee chair as appointed by the organizing authority.
- 12.4 The two skippers and the jurors are all notified of the hearing via VHF and invited to a private zoom meeting via the email they used to register for the event by the protest committee chair and given five minutes to join the meeting.
- 12.5 The protester has one minute to describe the incident including when and where it occurred and the rule believed broken.
- 12.6 The protestee then has one minute to present his/her side of the case. The protesting parties and the jurors may question each other. If any of the four want a witness to resolve a matter of fact, the witness has one minute to present his/her testimony.
- 12.7 The jurors plus the protest committee chair then have one minute to reach a decision. If the jurors are unable to agree on a resolution because of the complexity or difficulty of the protest, the protest will be thrown out.
- 12.8 The protest committee informs the Race Committee of their decision.
- 12.9 A boat may not protest another boat for Sailing Instructions 9.6. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 12.10 Penalties under Sailing Instructions 9.6 or 14 may be less than disqualification. This changes RRS 64.1.

13 SCORING

13.1 Boats will be scored in each class separately using the high point scoring system as follows:

- No Flying Sails (PHRF)
- Flying Sails (PHRF)
- One Design and Dinghy Classes that have at least 5 boats registered prior to 12:00 on 9/19
(if a one design fleet does not have 5 boats, they will race and be scored in the Flying Sails class)

Points will be awarded per the "high point" system as follows:

- Each boat gets (1 point for every boat she beats in her class +1) x100. For example: If there are 10 boats in a class and a boat finished second (beating 8 boats), she would get (8+1) x 100 = 900 points.
- The boat with the highest on-the-water score + fundraising points + Wind in Your Sails challenge points is the winner.
- The more boats you have in your class, the higher your score will be.
- If a class races more than one race (i.e. dinghies) then scores will be averaged

13.2 A boat that did not start (OCS), did not finish (DNF), retired (RET), or is disqualified (DSQ, DNE, DGM, UFD, BFD) will be scored zero points. This changes RRS A4.2. RRS A9 is deleted.

13.3 Corrected times for handicap classes will be calculated as follows: PHRF Time on Distance.

14 EQUIPMENT AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS

14.1 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, technical committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

14.3 A boat that retires while racing must orally notify the race committee as soon as reasonably possible after retiring by hail or VHF.

14.4 Keelboats racing in handicap classes must comply with the equipment requirements of US Sailing *US Safety Equipment Requirements* (USSER) as identified and amended in the Notice of Race. These requirements do not apply to boats racing in one design classes.

14.5 Keelboats must comply with the safety regulations of the US Coast Guard as identified in the Notice of Race.

14.6 The race committee or technical committee may inspect a boat at any time before or after racing for compliance with requirements.

14.7 All boats are reminded of RRS 55, "**A competitor shall not intentionally put trash in the water**". The penalty for putting trash in the water will be disqualification.

14.8 A boat rated by her handicap class in consideration of water ballast may use water ballast as rated. This changes RRS 51.

14.9 In addition to the requirements of RRS Part 2 preamble, a boat may not impede the passage, cross ahead within $\frac{3}{4}$ nautical miles, or continue to approach within $\frac{1}{4}$ nautical miles (approximately 1500 feet) to the side of a commercial or government vessel over 30 meters in length (including tug and tow) either following a traffic lane or traveling over 15 knots. Boats must follow instruction from the race committee to alter course to avoid vessels based on the race committee's interpretation of these requirements.

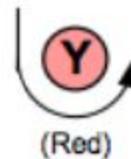
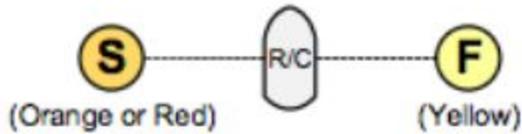
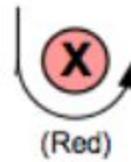
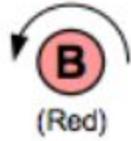
15 AWARDS

15.1 Awards will be announced during the live broadcast and be delivered to participants as soon as possible after the event.

Attachment A: Mark Descriptions

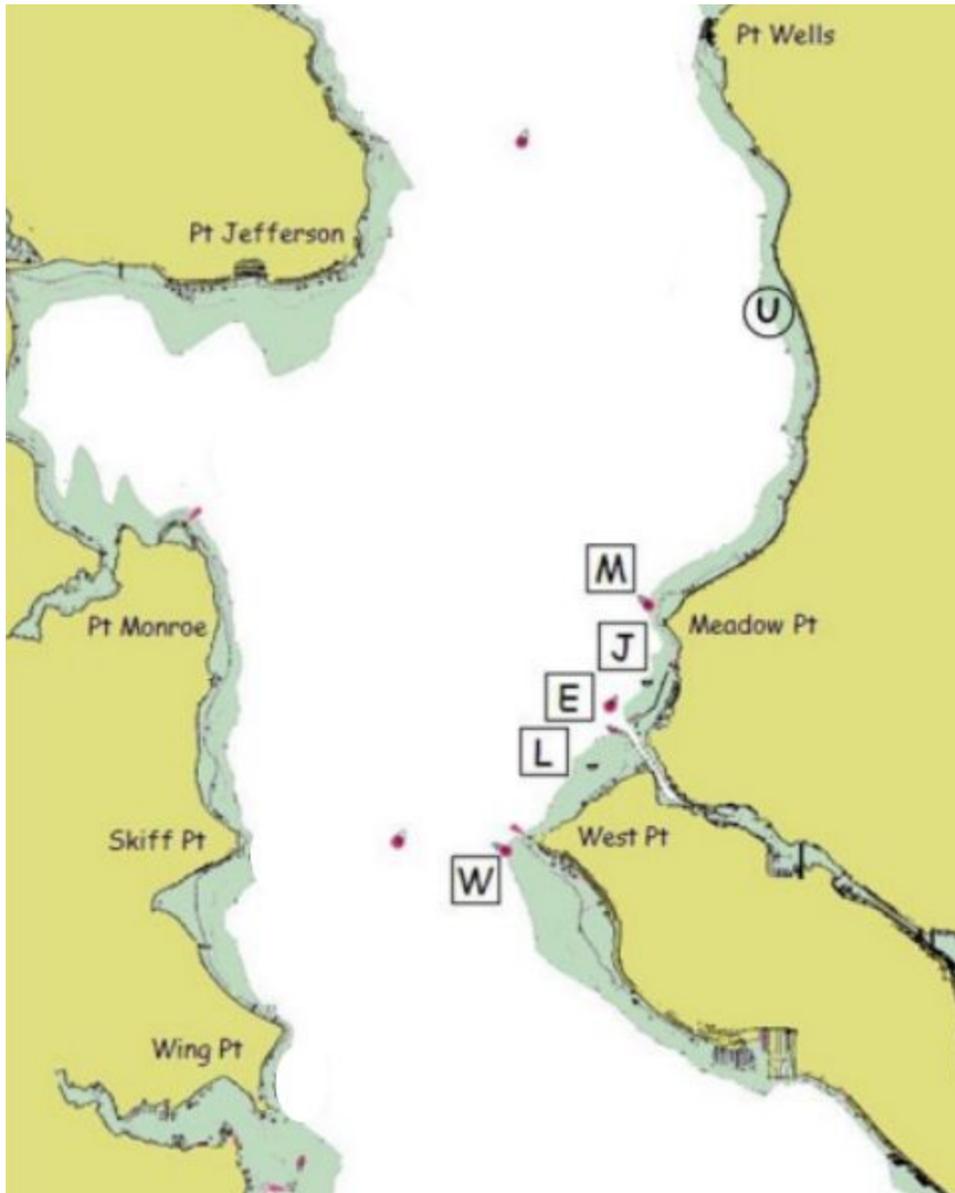
Buoy Course Marks (position relative to R/C)

Intended
Wind
Direction
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| Key | |
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| (S) | Typically starting mark buoy, may be rounding or finishing mark |
| (A) (B) (C) | Windward rounding mark |
| (X) (Y) (Z) | Leeward rounding mark, may be leeward gate port mark |
| (F) | Typically finishing mark buoy, may be rounding or starting mark |
| (Color) | Mark color shown under mark |
|  | Race committee signal boat in position as a mark |
|  | Typical rounding course |

Fixed Marks (position based on location)



Bearings are magnetic. Distances are nautical miles (NM). Bearings, distances, and positions are approximate. Each temporary mark is shown with its label in a circle. Each permanent mark is near its label in a square box.

- E Shilshole Bay Entrance Lighted Buoy G "1" (LL #18125)
- J Round ball buoy with flag 0.25 NM SSW of marina N entrance
- L White buoy 0.5 NM SW of marina S entrance
- M Meadow Pt. Buoy (LL #16765)
- U White spar buoy 2.9 NM bearing 6° from Meadow Pt. Buoy at $47^\circ 44.4N$, $122^\circ 22.95W$
- W West Pt. Buoy (LL #16805)

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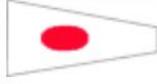
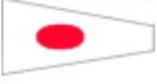
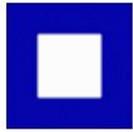
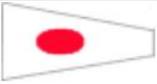
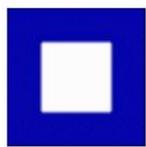
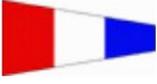
2014 Revision

as adopted by Shilshole Bay Yacht Club, Sloop Tavern Yacht Club, Corinthian Yacht Club of Seattle, and Seattle Yacht Club

We must share Puget Sound with its commercial traffic, including many deep-water vessels and tows. It is sobering to note that, if your boat is one mile dead-ahead of a freighter coming down the Sound at normal speed, and the freighter's helm is put hard over to avoid you, the freighter's bow will miss you, but her stern will not! Obviously, this implies that early and decisive action is required to keep your boat out of the path of a large oncoming vessel or tow.

The requirements of this document may be incorporated into this event

1. Yachts must not sail across a tow line, too close ahead, or too close alongside of commercial traffic. Deep water vessels have limited ability to change course and speed. Barges under tow can yaw unexpectedly well out to the side at speeds essentially the same as they are being towed. Yachts should not pass less than one mile ahead and 1/4 mile to the side of large vessels.
2. Rule 10 of the International and Inland Rules to Prevent Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) requires that no power-driven vessel less than 20 meters (66 feet) in length, and no sailing vessel (of any size) may impede the safe passage of a power-driven vessel following a Vessel Traffic System (VTS) Lane.
3. Rule 9 of the COLREGS requires that no power vessel of less than 20 meters (66 feet) in length and no sailing vessel (of any length) shall impede the safe passage of any vessel which can navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway. Puget Sound can be considered a "narrow channel" for most large commercial traffic. "Impede" means to cause to alter speed or course or to take evasive action.
4. A yacht in position where it may impede commercial traffic must exit from the "danger area" immediately, under auxiliary power if necessary. If power is used, it must be reported to the Race Committee at the finish line. Also, a written report must be made on a protest form, showing the location, time, duration of power use, speed, direction of exit, and that the competitive position of the yacht was not improved. If the last item cannot be demonstrated adequately, a time penalty may be imposed.
5. Navigation lights must be shown between sunset and sunrise as required by the International Rules of the Road.
6. Observed and/or reported violations of the safety regulations may be protested. The Race Committee shall have the option of issuing a "warning" when deemed appropriate. Warnings are recorded and may be considered when judging any future reports.

| Example of Starting Sequence | | |
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| <i>Time</i> | <i>Signal</i> | <i>Purpose</i> |
| 10:54 | Multiple short sound signals | Get ready for the first sound signal. |
| 10:55 |  Code Flag #1 | Class 1 warning signal accompanied by 1 sound signal |
| 10:56 |   Code Flag P | Class 1 preparatory signal accompanied by 1 sound signal |
| 10:59 |  Code Flag #1 | 1 minute warning – Preparatory signal lowered accompanied by 1 sound signal |
| 11:00 |  Code Flag #2 | Class 1 start signal AND Class 2 warning signal accompanied by 1 sound signal |
| 11:01 |   Code Flag P | Class 2 preparatory signal accompanied by 1 sound signal |
| 11:04 |  Code Flag #2 | 1 minute warning – Preparatory signal lowered accompanied by 1 sound signal |
| 11:05 |  Code Flag #3 | Class 2 start signal AND Class 3 warning signal accompanied by 1 sound signal |

Starting continues at 5-minute intervals between starts until all classes have started, unless there is a postponement or recall.