



# 2024 Canadian InterCollegiate Sailing Association Match Race National Championship



February 22<sup>nd</sup> through February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024

## NOTICE OF RACE

The following abbreviations apply to this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions:

OA: Organising Authority	PC: Protest Committee
SI: Sailing Instructions	[NP]: A boat may not protest as per NoR 6.5
NoR: Notice of Race	RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing
DP: Discretionary Penalty	RO: Race Officer
RC: Race Committee	RVYC: Royal Vancouver Yacht Club
CICSA: Canadian Intercollegiate Sailing Association	

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: The Royal Vancouver Yacht Club, the University of Victoria Sailing Club & CICSA

### 1. VENUE

English Bay off the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club  
3811 Point Grey Road Vancouver B.C. Canada V6R 1B3  
604-224-1344 <https://www.royalvan.com>

### 2. PROVISIONAL PROGRAM & SCHEDULE

Thursday Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> - Check-in & Mandatory crew weigh-in 0900 to **1900**

- Lower floor RVYC Jericho Clubhouse
- Boat Draw and spinnaker draw 1200
- Practice **and Clinic** 1300 to 1600
- Competitors Meeting **1800 to 1900**

Friday Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> - Competitors Meeting 0830 to 0930

- First Attention Signal 1030
- Post-Race debrief with umpires - after racing

Saturday Feb 24<sup>th</sup> - Competitors Meeting 0830

- First Attention Signal 1000
- Post-Race debrief with umpires - after racing
- Regatta Dinner at RVYC 1900

Sunday Feb 25<sup>th</sup> - Competitors Meeting 0830

- First Attention Signal 1000
- Latest Warning Signal 1600
- Awards Ceremony RVYC Clubhouse - after racing

Unless excused by the OA each team must have a team member present at the Boat Draw, each Competitors Meeting, and Post-Race debrief.

### 3 ELIGIBILITY

The OA may invite up to twelve (12) teams based upon the following eligibility criteria:

- 3.1 Only teams invited by the Organizing Authority will be eligible to enter this event.
- 3.2 Competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of CICSA
- 3.3 Competitors shall be members in good standing of CICSA.
- 3.3 The OA reserves the right to invite up to two teams who do not meet the eligibility requirements listed above.

### 4 ENTRIES.

- 4.1 Entry forms must be completed and submitted by January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024
- 4.2 An entry fee of CAD \$350 plus GST shall be paid by January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024
- 4.3 To be considered an entry in the event a skipper shall: complete all registration requirements, pay all fees, submit the damage deposit, complete crew-weigh-in, confirm all membership requirements and be accepted as an entry by the OA.
- 4.4 The OA will confirm acceptance of each skipper's entry conditional upon satisfactory completion of the requirements of 4.3 above and at that point the entry fee will be non-refundable.
- 4.5 If a skipper enters the event and later withdraws after January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024, that team may be subject to penalties in accordance with CICSA PR rule 10.

### 5 DAMAGE DEPOSIT

- 5.1 An initial damage deposit of CAD \$500 shall be submitted by 1200 hrs on Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024. The amount of the initial damage deposit is the maximum payable by a skipper for each damage-causing incident the skipper is deemed, solely by the OA, to be responsible for.
- 5.2 In the event that a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, the OA may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
- 5.3 When damage occurs, the cost of repairs will be paid from the deposit of the skipper responsible for the damage.
- 5.4 A detailed accounting will be rendered to any skipper not receiving their full damage deposit back.
- 5.5 Any remaining damage deposit after the event will be refunded within thirty (30) days after the event.

### 6 RULES

- 6.1 The event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including Appendix C - Match Racing Rules.
- 6.2 The Procedural Rules of the CICSA (CICSA PR) will apply.
- 6.3 The rules for the handling of the boats provided by the OA will apply for all stages of this event including practice sailing. These rules will be posted on the online Official Notice Board.
- 6.4 The Sail Canada prescriptions to the Racing Rules of Sailing will apply.
- 6.5 The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 6.6 When a boat in a match fails to *sail the course*, she will be disqualified without a hearing and scored zero points unless both boats in the match have sailed the same course in which case the boats will be scored as if they had *sailed the course*. This changes RRS 28, 35, 63.1, 90.3(a), A5, and C10.7
- 6.7 The OA reserves the right to amend this NoR. Any amendments to the NoR shall be posted on the online official notice board.
- 6.8 RRS 40.1, Personal Floatation Devices, applies at all times while afloat. The OA will not be supplying PFDs.
- 6.9 The Class Rules for the Elliott 6 m will **NOT** apply.
- 6.10 RRS C8.6 may be changed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 6.11 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.
- 6.12 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency or when requested to do so by the RC, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## 7 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- 7.1 The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be three (3) or four (4) and shall include at least one female crew member. The number of crew members onboard shall not change during the event.
- 7.2 Each team will be permitted one crew substitution during the event. This change must then remain in place for the remainder of the regatta in accordance with CICSA PR rule 8 (b).
- 7.3 In an emergency (e.g., illness or failure of transportation), a student-athlete from any other team may substitute as crew provided that the substitute meets the event eligibility requirements, and the OA approves the substitution.
- 7.4 The total weight of the crew, including the skipper, dressed in at least shorts and shirts, shall not exceed 288 kg (635 lbs). In addition, the average crew weight of any team in any race shall not exceed 87.5 kg (192 lbs.) W.S. reg 27.2.3 a)

## 8 COACHES AND SUPPORT BOATS

- 8.1 All coaches shall Register with the OA at check-in before 12 noon on Thursday February 22nd, 2024. Coaching and support boat related information will be provided.
- 8.2 CICSA PR 3 COACHING will apply.
- 8.3 The OA may provide shared coach boats for coaches wishing to go out on the water.

## 9 COMMUNICATIONS

- 9.1 The regatta website and online official notice board is located at [www.royalvan.com/match](http://www.royalvan.com/match)
- 9.2 The SI will be posted on the official noticeboard after 1200 hrs on February 20, 2024.
- 9.3 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole on the water side of the RVYC Jericho Clubhouse.
- 9.4 (NP) All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on Canadian channels. The OA will not provide VHF radios.
- 9.5 The OA may provide a Media boat with driver for Media representatives. Such representatives are required to register at the check-in on Thursday February 22nd between 0900 and 1200.

## 10 BOATS AND SAILS

- 10.1 The event shall be sailed in Elliott 6 m boats provided by the OA.
- 10.2 Boats and Spinnakers will be allocated by draw. Spinnakers allocated in the first draw shall stay with the team for all races unless substituted by the OA as per 10.5 below.
- 10.3 On Thursday Feb 22nd at 1200 noon, skippers will draw for the following: Round Robin pairing numbers, spinnakers for the duration of the event and three separate boats for Friday, Saturday and Sunday respectively.
- 10.4 While all reasonable steps are taken to equalise the boats, variations will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.
- 10.5 The OA or RC may require rotation or substitution of sails for any reason. Rotation or substitution of sails by the OA or RC shall NOT be grounds for redress by a competitor. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## 11 EVENT FORMAT

- 11.1 The OA in consultation of the Chief Umpire & RO may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round based on the number of entries or when conditions are not expected to permit the completion of the planned format. Early stages may be terminated in favour of later stages.
- 11.2 The following format is planned;
  - a) Stage 1 - Round Robin of all teams.
  - b) Stage 2 - Quarter Final knockout for teams placing 1<sup>st</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> in Stage 1 - first to two points.
  - b) Stage 3 - Semi-Final knockout of the top four teams from Stage 2 - first to two points.
  - c) Stage 4 – Final knockout of the top two teams from Stage 3 - first to two points - determines 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - d) Stage 4 – Petit Final knockout for the other two teams from Stage 3 - first to two points - determines 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>
  - e) Stage 5 – A consolation Round Robin for the teams finishing 5<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> in Stage 1

## 12 COURSE

The course will be windward/leeward with starboard rounding, finishing downwind.

13 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

14 MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

By participating in the event competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any still or motion pictures of the athlete during the period of the event without compensation.

15 SAFETY

In the event of an emergency the meeting point for safety personnel and the dropping off point for safety boats will be the RVYC Jericho dock at the foot of the main ramp.

16 (NP) CODE OF CONDUCT

16.1 Competitors and Support Persons shall comply with any reasonable request from any official, including attendance at official functions, co-operation with event sponsors and shall behave so to not bring the event into disrepute.

16.2 Competitors and support persons shall handle all boats and equipment provided by the OA with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

17 INSURANCE

Each participating skipper shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of CAD \$1,000,000 per incident for Canadian skippers and USD \$300,000 for skippers from other countries.

18 RISK STATEMENT

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.

19 DISCLAIMER

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 3, 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.

20 PRIZES

Places 1 through 3 will be awarded prizes supplied by CICSA.

21 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

All questions and requests for additional information should be directed to the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club Sailing Director, Aubrey Mayer [aubrey.mayer@royalvan.com](mailto:aubrey.mayer@royalvan.com) 604-224-1344