



## 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Screwball

Pointe Claire Yacht Club  
Pointe Claire - Québec

September 30<sup>th</sup>-October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

#### 2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 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 on the PCYC Veranda.

#### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole of the club.  
4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.  
4.3 Boats shall not leave the harbour while the AP is flying.

#### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1

Saturday, September 30	11h00	Warning signal for 1st race of the day	4 races are scheduled
Sunday, October 1st	10h00	Warning signal for 1st race of the day	3 races are scheduled

- 5.2 One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that the series is no more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to SI 2.1.  
5.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least three minutes before a warning signal is made.  
5.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1400.

#### 6 CLASS FLAGS

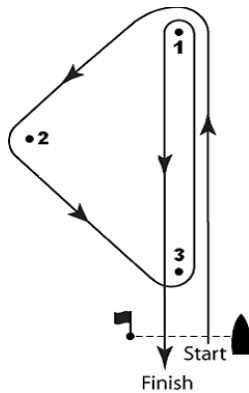
- 6.1 The Fireball Class flag is pink.

#### 7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 The racing area is south or southwest of PCYC

## 8 COURSE

### Start-1-2-3-1-Finish



## 9 MARKS

- 9.1 Marks 1, 2, 3 will be Orange Inflatable tetrahedrons.
- 9.2 New marks, as provided in SI 11 will be yellow.

## 10 THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat and the course side of a red ball on the port-end of the starting line.

## 11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the RC will lay a new mark (or move the finish line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable.

## 12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the RC boat and the course side of a red ball on the starboard-end of the finishing line.

## 13 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 13.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
20 minutes	40 minutes	15 minutes

- 13.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 13.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Did not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. A boat scored DNF shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 13.4 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

#### **14 SCORING**

- 14.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 14.2 (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.
- (b) When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

#### **15 HEARING REQUESTS**

- 15.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after race committee boat has docked after the last race of the day. The time will be posted on the official notice board. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the bar within the time limit.
- 15.2 Hearing request forms are available at the club office.
- 15.3 Notices will be posted within 10 minutes of being filed and no later than 10 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 board room of the club.

#### **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

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

#### **17 PRIZES**

- 17.1 Prizes will be given for the 3 first finishers.

#### **18 RISK STATEMENT**

- 18.1 RRS 3 (Decision to race) 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.** 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.

#### **19 INSURANCE**

- 31.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with adequate coverage.