



## Canadian Fireball Nationals 2026

Pointe Claire Yacht Club  
Pointe Claire - Québec

June 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> 2026



### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### Organizing Authority

The regatta is organized by Pointe Claire Yacht Club.

#### 1. RULES

The races will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.

#### 2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the PCYC veranda.

#### 3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 8h00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule will be posted by 20h00 on the day before it will take effect.

#### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole of the club. When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the race signal AP. Boats shall not leave the harbour while flag AP is flying.

#### 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

A maximum of 7 races will be run over the 2-day event. The warning signal on June 20<sup>th</sup> and June 21<sup>st</sup> will be at 11h00 and 10h00, respectively. Successive races each day will be started as soon as practicable following the finish of the previous race. No warning signal will be made after 14h00 on Sunday June 21<sup>st</sup>.

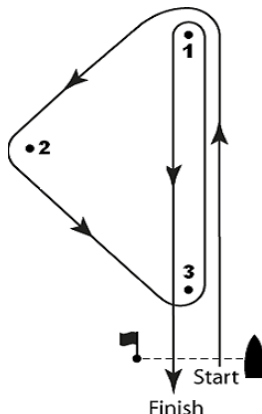
#### 6. CLASS FLAG

Fireballs - Purple

The racing area will be south or southwest of PCYC.

#### 8. THE COURSE

Start-1-2-3-1-Finish



#### 9. Marks

Marks 1, 2, 3 will be Orange Inflatable tetrahedrons. New marks, as provided in SI 10 will be yellow

**10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

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.

**11. STARTING AND FINISHING LINE**

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.

**12. THE FINISH**

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

**13. TIME LIMIT AND TARGET TIMES**

Time limits and target times are as follows:

Mark 1 Time limit	Target Time	Finishing window
20 minutes	40 minutes	15 minutes

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit, the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

**14. SCORING**

One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores. When from 5 to 7 races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

**15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

Protest forms are available at the club office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the bar within the protest time limit. The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee boat has docked after the last race of the day, or the RC has signalled that there will be no more racing for the day. Notices will be posted on the official notice board, 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. Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 60.2(a)(2).

**16. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

Boats retiring shall not cross the finish line; however, they shall report their withdrawal to the RC.

**17. PRIZES**

Trophies will be awarded to the first three finishers.

**18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See 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.