



**2019 NW Harvest Benefit Race
September 21, 2019
Seattle Singles Yacht Club
Shilshole - Seattle, WA**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

1.1* The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*. (US Sailing).

Seattle Singles Yacht Club is the organizing authority.

2. There will not be an Official Board.

3. SCHEDULE OF RACES

3.1* Date of racing: *September 21, 2019*

3.2* Number of races: One

3.3* The schedule is as follows:

Saturday 10:30 a.m. – Mandatory Skippers Meeting @ Ballard Elks

There will be one race for each class.

The scheduled time of the first warning signal for the first class race is 12:00 p.m.

Class 1 FS FAST – First Warning @ 12:00

Class 2 FS SLOW - First Warning @ 12:05

Class 3 NFS – First Warning @ 12:10

Class 4 Half Fast – First Warning @ 12:15

No warning signal after 15:00

4. Identification

No sailboat may display sail numbers belonging to a different boat that is properly registered for the event. If a boat is temporarily using a sail that does not have the boat's correct sail numbers displayed, the skipper must report the change to the Race Committee Boat before the start of the race.

5* CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

| <u>Class</u> | <u>Numeric Flag</u> | |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------|
| 1 | 1 | FS – Fast |

| | | |
|---|---|-----------|
| 2 | 2 | FS - Slow |
| 3 | 3 | NFS |
| 4 | 4 | Half Fast |

6. RACING AREAS

Attachment A shows the location of racing areas – Shilshole Bay area to east side of VTS, West Point to Richmond Beach US Research Buoy NPB-1.

7. THE COURSES

7.1* North wind – all marks to port
South wind – all marks to starboard

8. MARKS

8.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the general area. Courses will be posted on the RC boat.

Potential marks are: Course Chartlet – download from website. It would be helpful to program these coordinates into your GPS before the race starts.

Start/Finish Line - 47° 41.064 N, 122° 24.679 W

M – Meadow Point Buoy - 47° 41.783 N, 122° 24.583 W

R – Spring Beach – 47° 44.387 N, 122° 22.944 W

U – Richmond Beach – 47° 45.676 N, 122° 23.833 W

W – West Point Buoy – 47° 39.617 N, 122° 26.467 W

2 or 3 - This indicates a multi-lap course. Sail the course as many times as is indicated by the number, crossing the finishing line at the completion of each lap.

The start line is between an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat and the pin end of the line.

9. THE START

Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal. Each numeric flag designates a class start. The class flag is shown as the warning signal followed by code flag “P” as the preparatory signal (up at 4 minutes before the start, down at one minute before the start), followed by the next class flag which serves as a start signal for the current class and the warning signal for the next start. Note: The class flag remains displayed for the full 5 minute starting sequence and is replaced by the next class flag at the end of the start sequence. For the last start, the class flag is lowered after the 5-minute start sequence but no new flag is raised. The time between class starts is 5 minutes, unless there is a postponement or recall.

10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

11. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between the start pin and the orange flag on the RC boat__.

12. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

Time limits and target times are as follows:

| <u>Class</u> | <u>Time limit</u> |
|--------------|-------------------|
| 1-4 | 3 p.m. |

13. PROTESTS

Boats intending to protest must notify the RC boat (Ch 69) and receive acknowledgement before the 3:00 time limit. Protests must be filed with the RC at the Ballard Elks before 5:00 PM on the day of the race.

14. SCORING

Boats will be scored in class. The scoring system is as follows: PHRF – Time on Distance. Half-fast class winner will be drawn from a hat.

15. SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

16. OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked with an SSYC burgee. Race Committee boat is *Emma Lyn*, a MV.

17. SUPPORT BOATS

17.1 Support boats shall be marked with SSYC burgee. [DP]

18. RADIO COMMUNICATION – channel – 69

If a racing boat has AIS equipment, the RC would appreciate turning it on during the race.

19. PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

Each class winner will win a haulout.

Flying Sail FAST – haulout

Flying Sail SLOW – haulout

Non-Flying Sail – haulout

Half Fast – name is drawn from a hat – haulout

Trophies for 1st – 3rd place for classes 1-3. Half fast trophy for 1st place.

20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, 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.

21. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.