

Royal Vancouver Yacht Club

Safety Plan

Standard Emergency Contact Numbers are listed below
Event Specific Emergency Contact Numbers are listed separately

In the event of an emergency

1. If on the water, the **race officer** on the race committee signal boat for the course is in charge of coordinating all water rescue/emergency operations, and the RVYC front desk staff will take over once the victim is put ashore.
2. If in a mark-set boat, the **paid employee** of the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club is in charge.
3. If shore transfer is necessary, all vessels should transfer victims at the floats beside the west crane at the Jericho dry dock in the **southwest corner** of the marina.

At no point should victims be transferred to any other location

We are located at:

Royal Vancouver Yacht Club
3811 Point Grey Road
Phone: (604) 224-1344

One block west of Alma Street at the northernmost end of Highbury Street

Emergency Procedure

1. Immediately notify the race officer on the race committee signal boat (if on shore, the RVYC front desk staff) of the emergency. Be clear in explaining the nature of the emergency, including injuries, damage and equipment failure.
2. No races will be started until the emergency is cleared. If necessary, races will be abandoned to ensure the safety of the competitors.

3. The race officer will make the decision to call Coast Guard or emergency services where necessary and call the RVYC front desk staff to ensure that the appropriate authorities are contacted. However, if you have the ability to contact emergency services at 911 then you should do so, especially if the emergency is life threatening and time is of the essence.
4. Any victims in need of an ambulance will be moved to shore by the rescue or mark-set boat. The front desk will ensure that a person meets the ambulance at the entrance to the club and directs them to the marina.
5. Any victims needing to be brought ashore are to be seen by emergency services staff before being released. The front desk will direct emergency services vehicles to the correct place in the marina.
6. The front desk staff will do their utmost to ensure that family or friends are contacted regarding the emergency and told where the victim will be taken.
7. The Sailing Director, General Manager, and Fleet Captain should be contacted as soon as is practicable after the necessary communications have been made to the Officers of the Day, front desk staff, and emergency services.

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Emergency Contact Numbers

Vancouver Emergency Services (Ambulance, Police, Fire): **Phone: 911**

Canadian Coast Guard: VHF Ch. 16 Phone: *311 (via mobile phone)

RVYC Jericho Marina Phone: **(604) 224-1033**

RVYC Reception Desk,
General Manager Carmen Derricott
Sailing Director Hunter Lowden
Phone: **(604) 224-1344**

John Culter, Race Officer
Phone: **(604) 742-8832**

Safety Equipment

Defibrillator Kits

Philips HS1 (Heartstart 1) – provides automated verbal instructions for use by novices. Contained in a red case.

a) One unit is located in the watchman's office immediately west of the dry dock cranes at Jericho

b) One unit is located on the Blue Peter, RVYC's race committee signal boat.

c) One unit is located at the RVYC Front Desk in the main clubhouse

- repeat defibrillation as necessary

Each HS1 defib kit may contain up to 3-4 charges before the battery is fully exhausted.

Report any HS1 usage to the RVYC General Manager so a new battery can be ordered.

First Aid Kits

Two are located in the main dry dock building

- Tool shed
- Heavy equipment room

One is located in the watchman's office immediately west of the dry dock cranes at Jericho.

HS 1 Operational Method

- open red case and remove HS1 defib device and battery
- insert battery into HS1 defib device
- press green button on HS1 to initiate device and start verbal instructions re setup
- follow the HS1 verbal instructions for the various steps required with the victim
- only after all steps have been completed is the red button with the lightning bolt pressed to initiate defibrillation

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