2026 Club Championship Regatta

October 10-11, 2026
Royal Vancouver Yacht Club

Supplementary Sailing Instructions

	Number of races	First warning signal	Last warning signal
Saturday	7	1100	
Sunday	5	1100	1430

Note that the 1430 last warning signal time amends the Notice or Race

1 FLAG POLE & OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD

The flag pole is on the north side of the main clubhouse. The official notice board is online at www.royalvan.com/ods.

2 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

2.1 The race committee will communicate on VHF 67 during the event.

2.2 Changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made on the water. To signal a change, Code Flag L will be displayed from the race committee signal vessel with one sound signal. The race committee will then communicate the change verbally.

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced by “not less than 30 minutes” in Race Signals AP.

4 SAIL RESTRICTION

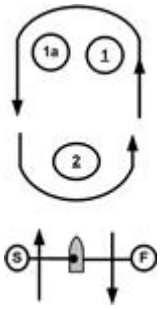
When flag D is displayed with the warning signal, spinnakers may not be used.

5 BOAT ROTATION

Boats will be rotated after the third race each day. RIBs shall be used for the transfer; boat to boat transfers are not allowed. Skippers shall retain spinnakers during the regatta. The boat rotation schedule will be posted on the notice board.

6 THE COURSE

Start – 1 – 1a – 2 – 1 – 1a – Finish.



7 MARKS

7.1 Marks 1 & 1a will be pink.
Mark 2 will be orange.
Mark S will be orange and white.
Mark F will be blue and white .
Change mark as noted in Appendix S 10.1 is green.

8 THE START

8.1 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 one minute before a warning signal is made. This changes Appendix S.

8.2 The start will be timed using Vakaros tracking devices, as described in Addendum B. The race committee will display the class flag with one sound at the beginning of the five minute sequence. No preparatory signal flag will be displayed. The class flag will be removed at the start with one sound. This changes Appendix S.

8.3 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored “DNS” without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

9 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

If mark 1 is moved in accordance with Appendix S 10.1, mark 1a will not be set.

10 TIME LIMITS

10.1

	Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
Elliott 6m	15 minutes	45 minutes	10 minutes

10.2 Boats starting but failing to sail the course within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the finishing place of the last boat that sailed the course within the Finishing Window and was not penalized under RRS 30.3 or 30.4. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

11 BREAKDOWN & EQUIPMENT FAILURE

Boats suffering damage to equipment during a race shall advise the race committee at the finishing line and shall notify the regatta bosun on VHF radio. Boats with damage must stay in close proximity to the race committee signal boat while repairs are made.

12 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

12.1 A line beginning at the northwest corner of the Royal Vancouver YC Jericho breakwater, through a series of orange and white can buoys ending with the north end of the most westerly pier at Jericho Sailing Centre, delimits an obstruction. Boats may not pass south of this line.

12.2 Boats may not enter City of Vancouver swim areas off Jericho Beach, Kitsilano and Spanish Banks. These are designated as an obstruction.

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS (Replaces Section 13 of APPENDIX S)

13.1. The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the race committee signal boat docks.

13.2 Protests shall be filed electronically using the link available on the notice board.

13.3 Notices will be posted as soon as possible after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties. Hearings will be held at the RVYC Jericho clubhouse after racing on Saturday and at 7:30 pm on Tuesday, October 14.

14 SAFETY REGULATIONS

14.1 Any injury to a competitor must be reported to the race committee immediately. The club Safety Plan, posted on the notice board, applies during the incident.

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

14.3 [DP] Boats shall not obstruct commercial traffic and must obey all warning signals and directions from commercial and race committee vessels.

Addendum A – Boat Conditions

A1 Boats will be supplied for all competitors, who shall not modify them or cause them to be modified in any way except as prescribed in this Addendum. All equipment supplied with the boat for sailing purposes shall be in the boat while afloat.

A2 To the extent reasonably possible, boats have been equalized by the OA. No changes to the standing rigging are permitted. Possible variations in the rigging are not grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.1(a) and 61.4(b)(1).

A3 Boats shall be moored in their assigned places in the harbour.

A4 Boats shall be handled in a seamanlike manner at all times and competitors are required to avoid the risk of collision while racing.

A5 Prohibited items and actions include:

- Any use of marking pens with permanent ink
- Any use of duct tape or clear tape anywhere on the boat
- Making marks directly on the boat
- Perforating sails for tell tails or other purposes
- Attaching anything to the fabric of spinnakers
- Additional running rigging or sheets, spinnaker turtles
- Adjustment or alteration of the electronic tracking device installed on the boat

A6 Except for (1) a competitor's VHF radio, and (2) the Vakaros electronic tracking device installed on the boat, no other electronic device shall be permitted or used on board the boat.

A7 Permitted items include:

- Vinyl or masking tape
- Marking pens, except for actions which are prohibited
- Telltale material

A8 If an incident results in serious damage such that a boat is unable to compete in subsequent races, a replacement boat may be provided.

A9 Competitors shall properly roll the sails at the end of each racing day and to ensure that all boat equipment is stowed correctly. Sails shall be tied onto the boat overnight.

Addendum B - Vakaros RaceSense system

B1 RRS 26 is changed. The countdown to the start on the Atlas 2 / Atlas Edge from RaceSense will be the official time. Signal flags will only be used for information purposes.

B2 The visual identification of boats infringing RRS 29.1 and RRS 30 by the RC is replaced with electronic identification through the Vakaros RaceSense system, modifying RRS 29.1, 30.1, 30.2, 30.3, and 30.4. Races may be postponed or abandoned before the start in accordance with RRS 27.3 or subject to a General Recall (RRS 29.2) or abandonment (RRS 32.1).

B3 Any failure of the Atlas 2 / Atlas Edge, RaceSense system, or communication systems will not constitute grounds to request redress by a boat or the Protest Committee. This changes RRS 61(a).

B4 If the RC vessel displays flag O with a sound signal before the warning signal of a race, B1 to B3 inclusive will not apply to that race.

B5 If the RC vessel displays flag R with a sound signal before the warning signal of a race, competitors shall restart their Vakaros Atlas 2 / Atlas Edge unit by switching it off, waiting 10 seconds and then switching it back on to reconnect to the RaceSense network. Flag R will remain displayed for a minimum of 2 minutes and will be removed with the next warning signal.