



## **2010 Racing Series Sailing Instructions**

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## PART 1 – GENERAL RULES

### 1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The racing program at the RKYC is intended to offer competitive racing without sacrificing the enjoyment of sailing and the fun of family participation.

The following RKYC races are open to member yachts of other area clubs: Grand Bay Series, Canada Day Race, Harbour Race, Digby Race. The goal of this policy is increased participation in our racing program.

Remember: the RKYC racing program is for all of our members come out and enjoy! The race committee is interested in what you think of the program and wants to hear any suggestions or new ideas that you may have for either this year or next. Please do not hesitate to contact any member of the Racing Committee with your comments or questions.

2010 Race Committee Members:

Chris Herrington (Committee Chair)	Bob Barnes
John Fitzgerald	Ross Phinney
Terry Reed	David Richards
Gary Sullivan	Dave Weyman

- 1.2 New for 2010:

Conditions permitting, the Canada Day race on July 1<sup>st</sup>, will be held in Saint John harbour. Refer to Part 6 for details.

The method used in scoring for the “Seasons Points” trophy has been modified to increase participation in special races. Refer to Part 1 section 15.2 for details.

### 2 RULES

- 2.1 The 2010 Royal Kennebecasis Yacht Club racing series regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012* including Canadian Yachting Association (CYA) prescriptions.
- 2.2 These Sailing Instructions also act as the Notice of Race.

### 3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Races classified as “Closed” are open to boats of RKYC members only. Crew must be members of the RKYC. Guest crew are permitted to participate in a maximum number of three races each year.

- 3.2 In races classified as “Open,” the regatta is open to all boats. Yachts from other clubs are encouraged to attend.
- 3.3 All boats must be a minimum of 20 feet in length.
- 3.4 Visiting boats must report to the race committee prior to the start of the race.

#### 4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 4.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located inside the main doors of the RKYC club house.

#### 5 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than one hour before the start of the race for races held within the river, and not less than 24 hours prior to the start of the race for races held in the Saint John Harbour or Bay of Fundy.

#### 6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the official notice board.

#### 7 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 7.1 Scheduled of races: (See Parts 2 through 10 for details)

<u>Race</u>	<u>Eligibility</u>	<u>Date</u>
Monday Night Series	Closed	May 31 – September 20, except July 26
Wednesday Night Series	Closed	June 2 – September 22, except July 28
Grand Bay Series Race 1	Open	June 12
Grand Bay Series Race 2	Open	June 13
Endurance Race	Closed	June 19
Canada Day Race	Open	July 1
Harbour Race	Open	September 11
Rothsay Race	Closed	September 12
Digby Race	Open	September 18
September Series Race 1	Closed	September 25
September Series Race 2	Closed	September 26
Finish Line Party	Open	October 23

- 7.3 Races not sailed may be rescheduled at the discretion of the race committee. Rescheduled races will be announced no later than one day prior to the start of the race.

## 8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The course for each race shall be posted on the official notice board no later than 45 minutes before the start of each scheduled race.
- 8.2 All boats should monitor VHF channel 68 prior to, and during the start of each race for any changes to the course or starting procedure.

## 9 MARKS

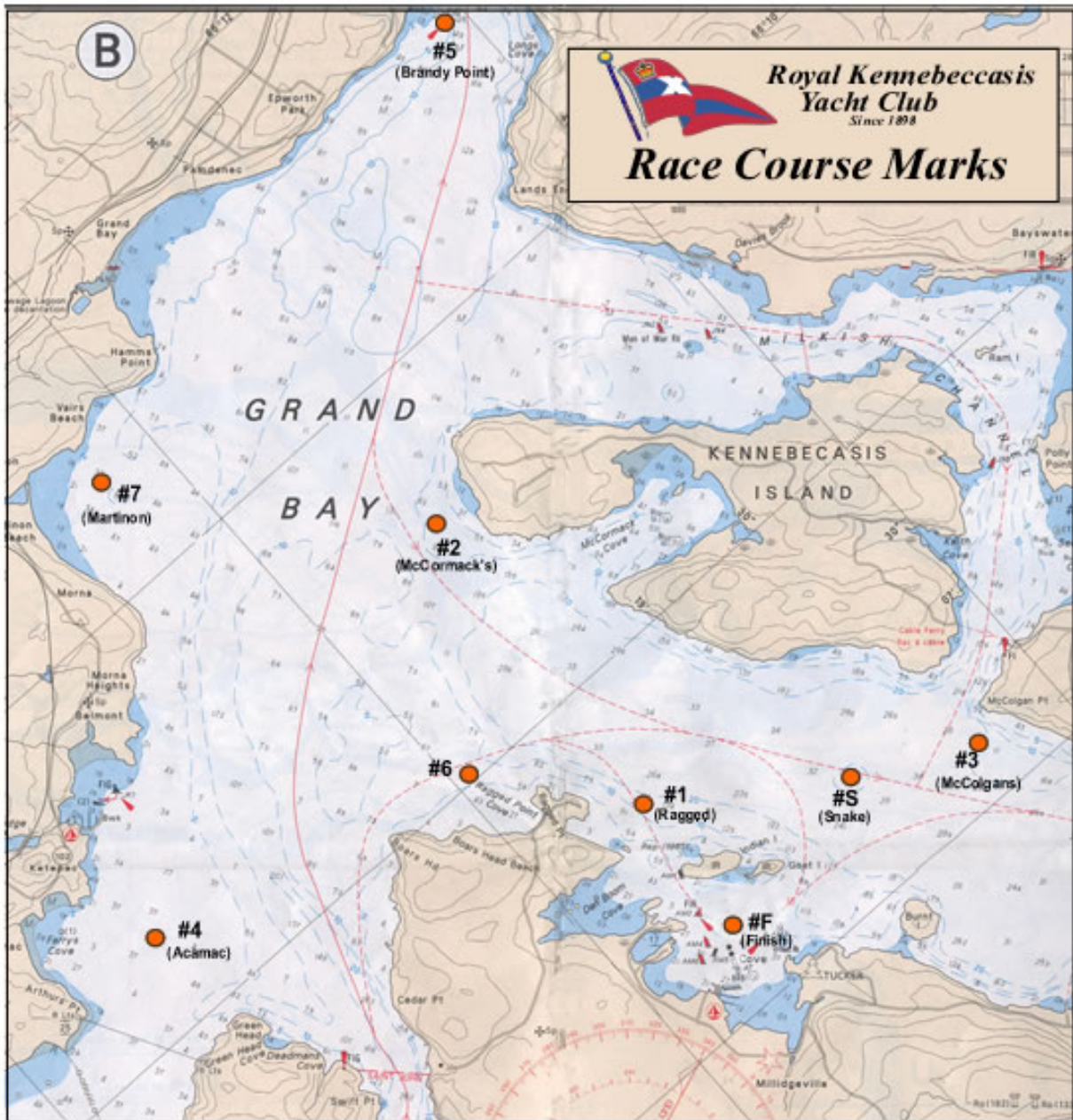
- 9.1 Marks shall be as follows:

Buoy #1	RKYC buoy near Ragged Point
Buoy #2	RKYC buoy near McCormack's Cove
Buoy #3	RKYC buoy near McColgans Point
Buoy #4	RKYC buoy between Saint John Marina and Acamac Point
Buoy #5	Green Navigation Buoy at Brandy Point
Buoy #6	Martinon Buoy near Ragged Point Cove
Buoy #7	Martinon Buoy near Belmont Cove
Buoy #8	Martinon Buoy near Lands End.
Buoy F	RKYC Finish Line buoy
Buoy S	RKYC buoy on Snake Shoal
Whistle Buoy	Saint John Harbour Fairway Buoy identified as "WHIS Mo(A)" on chart 4117.
Mahogany & Thumb Cap Island	Two islands southwest of Partridge Island, labelled as "Manawagonish Island" and "Thumb Cap Island", on chart 4117. BOTH islands must be rounded
Partridge Island Bell Buoy	Bell buoy off Partridge Island, labelled "J1" on chart 4117
Dumping Buoy	Bell buoy southwest of Black Point, labelled "JB" on chart 4117
Negro Head Buoy	Bell buoy off Barbours Point near Negro Head and is labelled as "JA1" on chart 4117

- 9.2 2010 RKYC racing mark locations and distances will be posted once the marks have been set.

## 10 RACING AREAS

10.1 The diagram below shows the approximate location of racing areas.



## 11 THE START

- 11.1 The normal starting line will be between the mast of the committee boat and a specified mark. Should an Inside start be specified in the course description, as posted in accordance with sailing instruction 8.1, the line shall be a range from windows on the second floor of the club house through racing buoy 'F'. The outer limit of the starting line will be the Brothers Islands. If a different start line is to be used it will be specified in the course description.
- 11.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 11.3 A boat starting later than five (5) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

## 12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 Boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark. This changes rule 28.1.

## 13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The normal finishing line will be between the mast of the committee boat and a specified mark. Should an inside finish be specified in the course description, as posted in accordance with sailing instruction 8.1, the finishing line will be between the windows on the second floor of the club house and racing buoy 'F'. If a different finish line is to be used it will be specified in the course description.

## 14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Protest forms are available from the race committee. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the race committee within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 45 minutes after the last boat has finished the race.
- 14.3 The race committee will notify competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located on the second floor of the yacht club unless otherwise stated.
- 14.4 Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

## 15 SCORING

15.1 For the 2010 season, race results will be calculated using PHRF Time On Distance (TOD).

15.2 Season Points shall be calculated as the sum of the following special races, less the yacht's worst Special Race score.

Placing in Grand Bay Series Race 1

Placing in Grand Bay Series Race 2

Placing in Endurance Race

Placing in Canada Day Race

Placing in Harbour Race

Placing in Rothesay Race

Placing in Digby Race

Placing in September Series Race 1

Placing in September Series Race 2

Ranking for the Jun. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 & Jul 7 Wednesday Night Races

Ranking for the Jul. 14, 21, Aug. 4, 11 & 18 Wednesday Night Races

Ranking for the Aug. 25, Sep. 1, 8, 15 & 22 Wednesday Night Races

Note: Each of the above races / series is weighted equally and no drops are given within the three Wednesday night racing ranking segments. These Wednesday night racing segments are not used for the scoring of the Wednesday Night Racing Series Trophy.

15.3 Refer to Parts 2 through 10 for individual race or series scoring criteria.

## 16 RADIO COMMUNICATION

16.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## 17 PRIZES

17.1 Prizes will be awarded at the finish line party on Saturday October 23, 2010.

## 18 SAFETY

- 18.1 All boat shall have all safety equipment on board as required by Transport Canada. Note the Race Committee may, at its discretion, inspect any or all yachts for compliance with safety equipment requirements.
- 19.2 Proper running lights must be used after dusk.
- 19.3 For offshore races (Digby race) boats must carry the following additional safety equipment.
- Anchor with a minimum of 100 feet of rode
  - Life raft or tender suitable to hold all persons onboard
  - VHF radio with at least channels 12, 16, and 68
  - Adequate auxiliary power & fuel for the yacht to reach the closest harbour
  - Charts for all areas of the race

## 19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 19.1 Competitors participate in the races entirely at their own risk. See *rule 4, Decision to Race*. The organizing authority does not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the race.

## 20 INSURANCE

- 20.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance in an amount of not less than \$1,000,000.

## PART 2 – MONDAY NIGHT RACING SERIES

### 1 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 1.1 The RKYC Monday Night racing series will run every Monday evening starting May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010 and ending September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010 except there will be no race on Monday July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Note this is a “Closed Series.”
- 1.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is as follows:

Cruising Class A	Not before 1820 hours
Cruising Class B	Not before 1830 hours

Cruising Classes are defined as all sailboats of overall length greater than 20 feet, racing without “Flying” sails. Contact the race committee to determine if you are in cruising class A or B.

### 2 CLASS FLAGS

- 2.1 Class flags will be as follow

Cruising Class A	Code Flag “A”
Cruising Class B	Code Flag “B”

### 3 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 3.1 If no boat has passed the first mark within 60 minutes of the start, the race will be abandoned.
- 3.2 If no boat has finished the race within 150 minutes of the start, the race will be abandoned.

### 4 SCORING

- 4.1 The low point scoring system will apply for each race.
- 4.2 A boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

## **PART 3 – WEDNESDAY NIGHT RACING SERIES**

### **1 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 1.1 The RKYC Wednesday Night racing series will run every Wednesday evening starting June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 and ending September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 except there will be no race on Wednesday July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Note this is a “Closed Series.”
- 1.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first class shall not be before 1820 hours.

Racing Classes are defined as all sailboats of overall length greater than 20 feet, racing with “Flying” sails (spinnakers, etc.).

### **2 CLASS FLAGS**

- 2.1 Class flags will be as follow  
Racing Class                      Code Flag “A”

### **3 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

- 3.1 If no boat has passed the first mark within 60 minutes of the start, the race will be abandoned.
- 3.2 If no boat has finished the race within 150 minutes of the start, the race will be abandoned.

### **4 SCORING**

- 4.1 The low point scoring system will apply for each race.
- 4.2 A boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

## PART 4 – GRAND BAY SERIES

### 1 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 1.1 The RKYC Grand Bay Series will be held Saturday June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010 and Sunday June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Note this is an “Open Series.”
- 1.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is as follows
- |                |                       |
|----------------|-----------------------|
| Racing Class A | Not before 1325 hours |
| Racing Class B | Not before 1315 hours |
| Cruising Class | Not before 1300 hours |

Racing Classes are defined as all sailboats of overall length greater than 20 feet, racing with “Flying” sails (spinnakers, etc.). Contact the race committee to determine if you are in Racing class A or B. Cruising Class is defined as all sailboats of overall length greater than 20 feet, racing without “Flying” sails.

### 2 CLASS FLAGS

- 2.1 Class flags will be as follow
- |                |               |
|----------------|---------------|
| Racing Class A | Code Flag “A” |
| Racing Class B | Code Flag “B” |
| Cruising Class | Code Flag “C” |

### 3 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 3.1 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 90 minutes of the start, the race will be abandoned.
- 3.2 If no boat has finished the race within 4 hours of the start, the race will be abandoned.
- 3.3 Boats failing to finish within 120 minutes after the first boat, of her class, sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

### 4 SCORING

- 4.1 The low point scoring system will apply for the series.
- 4.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

## PART 5 – ENDURANCE RACE

### 1 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 1.1 The RKYC Endurance Race will be held Saturday June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Note this is a “Closed Race.”
  
- 1.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal is as follows

Racing Class A	Not before 1125 hours
Racing Class B	Not before 1115 hours
Cruising Class	Not before 1100 hours

Racing Classes are defined as all sailboats of overall length greater than 20 feet, racing with “Flying” sails (spinnakers, etc.). Contact the race committee to determine if you are in Racing class A or B. Cruising Class is defined as all sailboats of overall length greater than 20 feet, racing without “Flying” sails.

### 2 CLASS FLAGS

- 2.1 Class flags will be as follow

Racing Class A	Code Flag “A”
Racing Class B	Code Flag “B”
Cruising Class	Code Flag “C”

### 3 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 3.1 If no boat has finished the race within 12 hours of the start, the race will be abandoned.
  
- 3.2 Boats failing to finish within 4 hours after the first boat of her class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

### 4 SCORING

- 4.1 The low point scoring system will apply for this race.

## PART 6 – CANADA DAY RACE

### 1 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 1.1 The RKYC Canada Day Race will be held Thursday July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010. Note this is an “Open Race.” Conditions permitting this race will be held in the Saint John Harbour.
- 1.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first class shall not be before 1400 hours.

#### Estimated Reversing Falls Slack Tides

Thursday	0120 hours, 0605 hours, 1345 hours, 1825 hours
Friday	0205 hours, 0645 hours, 1425 hours, 1910 hours

Racing Classes are defined as all sailboats of overall length greater than 20 feet, racing with “Flying” sails (spinnakers, etc.). Contact the race committee to determine if you are in Racing class A or B. Cruising Class is defined as all sailboats of overall length greater than 20 feet, racing without “Flying” sails.

### 2 CLASS FLAGS

- 2.1 Class flags will be as follow
 

Racing Class A	Code Flag “A”
Racing Class B	Code Flag “B”
Cruising Class	Code Flag “C”

### 3 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 3.1 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 90 minutes of the start, the race will be abandoned.
- 3.2 If no boat has finished the race within 4 hours of the start, the race will be abandoned.
- 3.3 Boats failing to finish within 2 hours after the first boat, of her class, sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

### 4 SCORING

- 4.1 The low point scoring system will apply for this race.

## PART 7 – HARBOUR RACE

### 1 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 1.1 The RKYC Harbour Race will be held Saturday September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Note this is an “Open Race.”
- 1.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal is as follows
- |                |                       |
|----------------|-----------------------|
| Racing Class A | Not before 1245 hours |
| Racing Class B | Not before 1245 hours |
| Cruising Class | Not before 1245 hours |

#### Estimated Reversing Falls Slack Tides

Friday	0345 hours, 1125 hours, 1610 hours, 2350 hours
Saturday	0435 hours, 1215 hours, 1655 hours

Racing Classes are defined as all sailboats of overall length greater than 20 feet, racing with “Flying” sails (spinnakers, etc.). Contact the race committee to determine if you are in Racing class A or B. Cruising Class is defined as all sailboats of overall length greater than 20 feet, racing without “Flying” sails.

### 2 CLASS FLAGS

- 2.1 Class flags will be as follow
- |                |               |
|----------------|---------------|
| Racing Class A | Code Flag “A” |
| Racing Class B | Code Flag “B” |
| Cruising Class | Code Flag “C” |

### 3 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 3.1 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 3 hours of the start, the race will be abandoned.
- 3.2 If no boat has finished the race within 6 hours of the start, the race will be abandoned.
- 3.3 Boats failing to finish within 2 hours after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

### 4 SCORING

- 4.1 The low point scoring system will apply for this race.

## PART 8 – ROTHESAY RACE

### 1 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 1.1 The RKYC Rothesay Race will be held Sunday September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Note this is a “Closed Race.”
- 1.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal is as follows
- |                |                       |
|----------------|-----------------------|
| Racing Class A | Not before 1325 hours |
| Racing Class B | Not before 1315 hours |
| Cruising Class | Not before 1300 hours |

Racing Classes are defined as all sailboats of overall length greater than 20 feet, racing with “Flying” sails (spinnakers, etc.). Contact the race committee to determine if you are in Racing class A or B. Cruising Class is defined as all sailboats of overall length greater than 20 feet, racing without “Flying” sails.

### 2 CLASS FLAGS

- 2.1 Class flags will be as follow
- |                |               |
|----------------|---------------|
| Racing Class A | Code Flag “A” |
| Racing Class B | Code Flag “B” |
| Cruising Class | Code Flag “C” |

### 3 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 3.1 If no boat has finished the race within 8 hours of the start, the race will be abandoned.

### 4 SCORING

- 4.1 The low point scoring system will apply for this race.

## PART 9 – DIGBY RACE

### 1 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 1.1 The RKYC Digby Race will be held Saturday September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Note this is an “Open Race.” You must register with the race committee no later than September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010 if you intend to compete in this race.
- 1.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for all classes shall not be before 0900 hours. Note there will a common start for all classes.

#### Estimated Reversing Falls Slack Tides

Friday	0535 hours, 1025 hours, 1805 hours, 2250 hours
Saturday	0640 hours, 1130 hours, 1905 hours, 2355 hours
Sunday	0735 hours, 1225 hours, 2000 hours

Racing Classes are defined as all sailboats of overall length greater than 20 feet, racing with “Flying” sails (spinnakers, etc.). Cruising Class is defined as all sailboats of overall length greater than 20 feet, racing without “Flying” sails.

### 2 CLASS FLAGS

- 2.1 Class flags will be as follow
- |                |               |
|----------------|---------------|
| Racing Class   | Code Flag “A” |
| Cruising Class | Code Flag “A” |

### 3 THE FINISH

- 3.1 The finish line for this race shall be latitude 44° 42.600N. The western end of the line is longitude 65° 48.000W. You have finished when your GPS indicates you have reached the above latitude to the east of the indicated end of the line. Each yacht is responsible to record their finishing time using standard GPS time, and should also attempt to radio the race committee on VHF channel 68.

### 4 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 4.1 If no boat has finished the race within 14 hours of the start, the race will be abandoned.

### 5 SCORING

- 5.1 The low point scoring system will apply for this race.

## PART 10 – SEPTEMBER SERIES

### 1 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 1.1 The RKYC September Series will be held Saturday September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010 and Sunday September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Note this is a “Closed Series.”
- 1.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is as follows

Racing Class A	Not before 1325 hours
Racing Class B	Not before 1315 hours
Cruising Class	Not before 1300 hours

Racing Classes are defined as all sailboats of overall length greater than 20 feet, racing with “Flying” sails (spinnakers, etc.). Contact the race committee to determine if you are in Racing class A or B. Cruising Class is defined as all sailboats of overall length greater than 20 feet, racing without “Flying” sails.

### 2 CLASS FLAGS

- 2.1 Class flags will be as follow

Racing Class A	Code Flag “A”
Racing Class B	Code Flag “B”
Cruising Class	Code Flag “C”

### 3 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 3.1 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 90 minutes of the start, the race will be abandoned.
- 3.2 If no boat has finished the race within 6 hour of the start, the race will be abandoned.

### 4 SCORING

- 4.1 The low point scoring system will apply for this race.
- 4.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.