



Seattle Yacht Club

Established in 1892

Double Dipper Race

September 28-29, 2019

Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The prescriptions of US Sailing to the following rules shall apply: 34, 40, 48.1, 60.3(b), 61.4, 63.2, 63.4, 64.3(b), 67, 70.5(a), 76.1, 82, 86.3, 88.2, Appendix G and R. These prescriptions are available from the US Sailing website at www.ussailing.org.
- 1.3 A boat rated by her handicap class in consideration of water ballast may use water ballast as rated. This changes RRS 51.
- 1.4 Other changes to the rules may be noted elsewhere in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions. If the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions are in conflict, the Sailing Instructions shall have precedence.
- 1.5 When the protest committee decides that a boat has broken a rule of Part 4, it is not required to disqualify the party, but may impose a lesser penalty or issue a warning. This changes RRS 64.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board.
- 2.2 The official notice board will be located at the south entrance of the Seattle Yacht Club Portage Bay clubhouse and optionally on the Seattle Yacht Club web site at www.seattleyachtclub.org. After the start of the Double Dipper Race, the official notice board will move temporarily to the M/V Portage Bay and return to the original location after the races.
- 2.3 The race committee may provide unofficial communication at any time by hail or over VHF 72. Any communication not defined by the rules is unofficial communication. A request for redress may not be based on any aspect of unofficial communication, including content, timeliness, existence, or failure to hear. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Written changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board by 1800 the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2 The race committee intends to repeat changes in Sailing Instructions on VHF 72 ten minutes before the scheduled time of the first warning signal each day. This announcement is unofficial communication per Sailing Instructions 2.3.

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 Races start on the following dates:

<u>Race</u>	<u>Date</u>
Double Dipper to Pt Ludlow	September 28, 2019
Double Dipper to Shilshole	September 29, 2019

- 4.2 The scheduled time of the first warning signal is 0755 each day.
- 4.3 No warning signal will be made after 1000.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 There is no provision for signals made ashore.

6 RACING AREA AND RACE COMMITTEE SIGNAL BOAT

- 6.1 The racing area is Puget Sound, and Admiralty Inlet.
- 6.2 The **Saturday** starting line will be in Shilshole Bay between Meadow Point and West Point. The finish line will be in the vicinity of Foul Weather Bluff.
- 6.3 The **Sunday** starting line will be in the vicinity of Foul Weather Bluff. The finish line will be in Shilshole Bay between Meadow Point and West Point.
- 6.4 The race committee signal boat will be the Seattle Yacht Club M/V *Portage Bay*. The start of the race, the whaler M/V *Gunner* will be stationed at the start line. If necessary, an alternate race committee signal boat may be used. The race committee signal boat will display the Seattle Yacht Club burgee.

7 CLASSES

- 7.1 This is a "Pursuit" or "Reverse" start type race. All boats will start based on the distance of the race and the PHRF handicap of the boat. The start times and classes will be published in Appendix A.
- 7.2 Appendix A will be announced as a notice to competitors issued by 1800 on Thursday before the first race. Subsequent changes may be made with the same process as changes to the Sailing Instructions.

8 COURSES

Saturday-Shilshole to Port Ludlow



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The Race Committee Boat will display the course; “S” for short course or “L” for long course. Appendix A will have boat start times for each course.

Long Course (L): Start by leaving the starting mark buoy at Shilshole to port and the Race Committee boat to starboard, round Blakley Rock (“K”) to starboard, and Finish by leaving the finish buoy at Foul Weather Bluff to port, and the Race Committee Boat to starboard.

Short Course (S): Start by leaving the starting mark buoy to port and the Race Committee boat to starboard, and Finish by leaving the finish buoy at Foul Weather Bluff to port, and the Race Committee Boat to starboard.

Sunday-Port Ludlow to Shilshole

Long Course: Start by leaving the starting mark buoy at Foul Weather Bluff to port, and the Race Committee Boat to starboard. Round Blakley Rock (“K”) to port, and Finish by leaving the finishing mark buoy at Shilshole to port, and the Race Committee boat to starboard.

Short Course (S): Start by leaving the starting mark buoy at Foul Weather Bluff to port and the Race Committee boat to starboard,, and Finish by leaving the finish buoy at Shilshole to port, and the Race Committee Boat to starboard.

9 THE START

- 9.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the starting mark buoy. The start flag will be raised with a horn as the 5 minute warning. A horn will start the starting sequence. (see Appendix A)
- 9.2 The Race Committee boat will be using GPS time for your boats start time, see Appendix A
- 9.3 If a boat is subject to RRS 29.1, Individual Recall, or RRS 30, Starting Penalties, the race committee may attempt to hail her sail number directly and/or on VHF 72. This is unofficial communication as in Sailing Instructions 2.3.
- 9.4 The race committee signal boat may maneuver to maintain the starting line at any time, including while anchored.
- 9.5 In case of a Delayed Start (Answering Pennant “AP”), each delay will be 30 minutes. Boats must adjust their start times accordingly from Appendix A.

10 THE FINISH

- 10.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee signal boat and the finishing mark buoy or marker, as described for each individual race in SI 8 COURSES.

- 10.2 The race committee may adjust the finishing marks to maintain the finishing line at any time without regard to RRS 33.

- 10.3 If the finishing line is missing at the finish at Foul Weather Bluff on Saturday, a boat finishes by passing within 100 yards offshore of the permanent marker (R “2” Fl R 4s Bell) the north end of Foul Weather Bluff to port when the permanent marker bears 270 degrees magnetic. If the race committee or finishing line is missing at the finish on Sunday, a boat finishes by passing within 100 yards offshore of the day marker on the north end of the Shilshole breakwater (Fl R2.5s 5M “2”) from the direction of the last mark when the day marker bears 090 degrees magnetic. If a boat finishes under these circumstances, to be scored as finishing she shall note her finishing time accurately to the second (e.g. using GPS time) and her finishing position in relation to any nearby boats and report them to the race committee as soon as reasonably possible. This changes US Sailing prescription to RRS 34.

11 TIME LIMIT

- 11.1 The time limit is the maximum allowable time from each boat’s starting signal to her finish time or a time of day. Boats that do not finish within their time limit will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35.

- 11.2 Time limits for each race and course are as follows:

Saturday

Long Course: 1800
Short Course: 1800

Sunday

Long Course: 1800
Short Course: 1800

12 PROTESTS

- 12.1 A boat intending to protest or request redress for an incident that occurred while racing must orally notify the race committee signal boat as soon as reasonably possible after retiring or finishing by hail or VHF 72 until she receives an oral confirmation from the race committee. This changes RRS 61.1(a). If unable to do so, a boat shall notify the Seattle Yacht Club front desk by telephone at 206.325.1000 at their earliest opportunity.
- 12.2 For Double Dipper races both Saturday and Sunday:
 - (a) Written protests and requests for redress must be delivered within the protest time limit to the front desk of the Seattle Yacht Club Portage Bay clubhouse.
 - (b) The protest time limit is at 1000 the Monday after the start of the race.



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- (c) Hearing notices will be posted on the official notice board within 60 minutes after the protest time limit to inform parties of the time and place of the hearing. Unless otherwise posted, hearings will be held on the Tuesday following the race at 1900 at the Seattle Yacht Club Portage Bay clubhouse. The posting of hearing notices shall be considered notice as required by RRS 63.2.

International Sailing Federation (ISAF) web site at www.sailing.org/documents/offshorespecialregs.

Double Dipper Race OSR Inshore

13 SCORING

- 13.1 Boats will be scored in each class overall for the race.
- 13.2 Boats will be scored by finish place based on their starting time ("Reverse" or "Pursuit" style) and rating in each class.
- 13.3 The Low Point Scoring System in Appendix A of the Racing Rules of Sailing will apply.
- 13.4 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with no scores excluded. This changes RRS A2.
- 13.5 There is no shorten course option.

14 OPERATING AND EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

- 14.1 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 14.2 Boats must check in with the race committee signal boat at the starting area each day before their first warning signal. Boats should check in by hail unless safety requires checking in by VHF 72.
- 14.3 A boat that retires while racing must orally notify the race committee as soon as possible after retiring by hail, on VHF 72, or by calling the Race Committee boat on cell number (206)376-2925.
- 14.4 A boat racing in a handicap class must comply with: *ISAF Offshore Special Regulations (OSR)*, without US Sailing prescriptions, as changed by the Notice of Race, to the category requirement identified below. The text of these regulations is available from the

- 14.5 Boats must comply with U.S. Coast Guard regulations.
- 14.6 Boats must be operated in accordance with the Puget Sound Sailboat Safety Regulations, available in the Seattle Yacht Club Sailboat Race Book available at www.seattleyachtclub.org.
- 14.7 The race committee may inspect a boat at any time before or after racing for compliance with requirements.
- 14.8 A boat may use its propulsion engine as described in RRS 42.3(j) for any purpose described in 42.3(h), or to stay clear of a vessel not participating in the race. The use of a propulsion engine shall be reported to the Race Committee with the reason for the use and a description of any benefit to the boat's position resulting from said use.
- 14.9 Every competitor must wear a USCG approved personal floatation device at all times when racing. Single-handed competitors must use a safety harness at all times when racing. It is recommended that double-handed competitors use a safety harness at all times.
- 14.10 Any type of self-steering apparatus may be used during this race, but competitors must always maintain a watch at all times.

15 SOCIAL ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS

- 15.1 The Double Dipper awards party will be at the Seattle Yacht Club clubhouse at Portage Bay on November 15 at 1800. This coincides with the Seattle Yacht Club Annual Awards Dinner.
- 15.2 Saturday, the party will have free appetizers, hosted beer and wine, music, and a hosted BBQ at approximately 6pm. There is also a firepit and horseshoes.
- 15.2 Port Ludlow Marina moorage is included on their guest docks, Please contact Dock Master on VHF 72. Be prepared to raft, if necessary.
- 15.3 Awards will be presented for first place overall for Jill/Jill, Jack/Jack, Jack/Jill, Junior/Junior (under 18) for the Races. Race awards will be presented for first, second, and third in class.