



**2024 Commodores' Cup Regatta
August 26 - 29, 2024
Royal Vancouver Yacht Club
Vancouver, BC**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

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

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at www.royalvan.com/commiescup.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000hrs on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at RVYC Jericho clubhouse flag mast.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' for the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Schedule:

Monday August 26, 2024:

0900-1100hrs – Sail number inspection and check-in
1200hrs – Warning signal for the first un-scored practice race, 5 scheduled
1730-2000hrs – Sail Number inspection and check in (continued from the morning)

Tuesday August 27, 2024:

0930hrs – Coaches' meeting (competitors without coaches may attend)
1100hrs – Warning signal for the first race, 4 races scheduled

Wednesday August 28, 2024:

1100hrs – Warning signal for the first race, 4 races scheduled

Thursday August 29, 2024:

1100hrs – Warning signal for the first race, 4 races scheduled
1530hrs – No Warning signals will be made after this time
1800hrs – Awards banquet begins in the main clubhouse

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will consist of the class logo on a plain background, except:

Class:	Flag:
ILCA 6	Logo on Green background
ILCA 4	Logo on Yellow background
Optimist	Logo on White background
Optimist Green	Logo on Green background

7 RACING AREA

Racing will take place in the Southern portion of English Bay in the vicinity of RVYC Jericho.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The courses will be on English Bay, in the vicinity of RVYC.

Alpha – ILCA 4, ILCA 6, Club 420, RS Feva, 29er

Bravo – Optimist, Optimist Green

8.2 Courses are described in SI 9 and Appendix A

8.3 In the absence of one of the gate marks, the remaining mark is to be rounded to port.

9 MARKS

9.1 Alpha Course: (*RC Blue Peter*):

1 = Red tetrahedron 2s = Red tetrahedron

1a = Yellow tetrahedron 2p = Red tetrahedron

1b = Green tetrahedron

Class	Course
29er	Start, 1, 2s/2p, 1, Finish
ILCA 6	Start, 1a, 2s/2p, 1a, Finish
Club 420	Start, 1a, 2s/2p, 1a, Finish
RS Feva	Start, 1b, 2s/2p, 1b, Finish
ILCA 4	Start, 1b, 2s/2p, 1b, Finish

9.2 Bravo Course: (*RC Oswald*):

1 = Pink tetrahedron 2s = Pink tetrahedron

1a = Green tetrahedron 2p = Pink tetrahedron

Class	Course
Optimist	Start, 1, 2s/2p, 1, Finish
Optimist Green	Start, 1a, Finish

9.3 Starting marks will be Orange inflatables.

9.4 Finishing marks will be Blue and White tetrahedrons.

10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26.

10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and the starting mark.

10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the

starting sequence for other races.

- 10.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark to a new position.

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a Blue flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat, and the finishing mark.

13 TIME LIMITS

- 13.1 Time limits are as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Time Limit</u>	<u>Mark 1 Time Limit</u>	<u>Finish Window</u>
All Classes	90 minutes	30 minutes	20 minutes

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 For each class, the protest time limit is 30 minutes after the Race Committee Signal Boat docks.
- 14.2 Protests shall be filed electronically using the link available at <https://royalvan.com/commiescup>
- 14.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the RVYC Jericho clubhouse in a designated room. All notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

15 SCORING

- 15.1 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 When 5 races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 16.2 The Optimist Novice Fleet will not receive scoring.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 All competitors and coaches shall wear an appropriate floatation device at all times while on the water.
- 16.2 All competitors must have a designated coach on the water.
- 16.3 All coaches must carry a functioning VHF radio on the water during racing.
- 16.4 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 16.5 A boat that sails between a tug and its tow will be disqualified.

17 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

18 SUPPORT BOATS

Except for coaches who have sailors in the back 1/4 of the Optimist Novice class, team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

19 TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put trash in the water.

20 RADIO COMMUNICATION

20.1 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.

20.2 The Race Committee will communicate with coaches as follows:

Alpha Course – VHF 67

Bravo Course – VHF 68

21 PRIZES

21.1 Prizes will be awarded in all classes registering with 4 or more boats (excluding the Optimist Novice Fleet).

Overall prizes will be awarded according to the following:

- 1st place will be awarded only if 4 or more boats register.
- 2nd place will be awarded only if 5 or more boats register.
- 3rd place will be awarded only if 6 or more boats register.

21.2 The prize giving will be held at the Commodores' Cup Awards Banquet to be held Thursday, August 29, 2024.

22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, 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.

23 INSURANCE

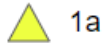
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1 million per event or the equivalent.

24 MEDIA RIGHTS

By participating in the event competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any still or motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

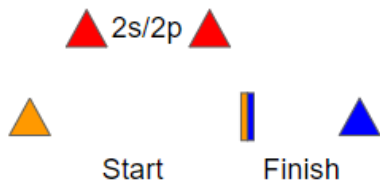
Appendix A: Course Diagrams

Alpha Course (*RC Blue Peter*):



As per SI 9.1:

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Bravo Course (*RC Oswald*):



As per SI 9.2:

Class	Course
Optimist	Start, 1, 2s/2p, 1, Finish
Optimist Green	Start, 1a, Finish

