



2026 RVYC The Jemmy Jones Island Race

Sailing Instructions

Sunday 9 August 2026



Preamble. The Jemmy Jones Island Race is the third race in the RVYC Island Race Series. Please see the Clubspot event at: <https://rvyrcracing.ca/regatta/KpF9zVhQ5c> for series information. The Island Series Races are in a pursuit format and open to all sailboats, large and small. No rating required. If a boat does not have a rating one will be assigned prior to the race. See paragraph 8.

Jemmy Jones Island is named after a Welshman, Captain James "Jemmy" Jones, who ran his schooner, Caroline, aground on the island in the mid-1800s. Here is one of many links to this colourful character: <https://bc.ruralroutes.com/13455.html>

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2. The *Sail Canada Prescriptions to The Racing Rules of Sailing*, available at [Rules prescriptions | Sail Canada \(sailing.ca\)](#) apply.
- 1.3. The *2026 PHRF-BC Class Rules*, available at [PHRF – BC Sailing](#) apply.
- 1.4. Each boat shall comply with the Transport Canada boating safety regulations applicable to it. See: [TC Safe Boating Guide TP 511](#)

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the notice board at the club's dinghy shed not later than 1000 9 August 2026.

3. REGISTRATION Registration is not required but doing so makes it easier for the RO to determine the results. Please consider registering at: <https://rvyrcracing.ca/regatta/61pHMmy8Xb>

4. COMMUNICATION AND SIGNALS

- 4.1. Other than changes to the sailing instructions, as defined in paragraph 2, there will be no notices to competitors.
- 4.2. There will be no skippers' meeting.
- 4.3. No signals will be made to competitors.
- 4.4. Marine VHF channel 09 will be monitored by the RO.

5. THE COURSE

- 5.1. The course will be: <all marks **rounded** to port> Start – Jemmy Jones Island to port – Mark 1 to port – Harris Island (Mark H¹) to port – Mark 1 to port – Mark H to port – Jemmy Jones Island to port – Mark 1 to port – Jemmy Jones Island to port - Finish.
- 5.2. The course distance is 11.0 nm. This distance will be used to calculate the pursuit start times as shown in Appendix B.

6. NAVIGATIONAL RESTRICTIONS / AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS While racing, boats shall not sail:

- 6.1. Between Flower Island and Vancouver Island.
- 6.2. In the Oak Bay Marina and within 100 metres of its northern or southern entrances, which lie to the west of Mary Todd Island.
- 6.3. Between the north cardinal buoy "VJ", North of the Harris Islet Group and Lee Rock buoy "V25".
- 6.4. Between Enterprise Channel buoy "VE" and Gonzales Point (Victoria Golf Club course).
- 6.5. See the race area below:

¹ "Harris Island", as Mark H, includes the north cardinal buoy "VJ" and the Lee Rock buoy "V25", in accordance with the Navigational Restrictions in paragraph 5.

Jemmy Jones Island Race Area



7. THE START

- 7.1. The starting line is the northwest range / transit formed by Tod Rock and Fiddle Reef Light. Boats start in a northeast direction.
- 7.2. Each boat is to start at the time shown in Appendix A that is opposite the range into which its rating falls, as defined in paragraph 8 below.

8. RATING

- 8.1. Each boat shall use its PHRF-BC rating to determine its start time.
- 8.2. Dinghies are assigned the following ratings:

8.2.1.	Club 420	210
8.2.2.	Laser or ILCA	200
8.2.3.	Fireball	180
8.2.4.	29er	160
8.2.5.	49er	100
- 8.3. Boats that do not have a PHRF rating will be assigned a rating by the race committee. Please contact the race officer, AJ Hesford, at ajhesford@gmail.com no later than 1800 Friday 7 August 2026 to obtain a rating.

9. THE FINISH

- 9.1. The finishing line is the same as the starting line in paragraph 7.1. Boats finish in a westerly direction, from the direction of the last mark.
- 9.2. Each boat is to record its finish time.
- 9.3. The skipper of each boat must hand a completed finishing form, found in Appendix B, to the race officer, AJ Hesford, or his representative at the club's patio no later than 1600. If the form cannot be submitted in person, a photograph of the completed form can be texted to 250-580-2356 or emailed to ajhesford@gmail.com

10. TIME LIMIT/RETIREMENT

10.1. All boats must finish no later than 1530.

10.2. Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be recorded Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35 and A5.1.

11. A boat retiring from the race must notify the race committee of its retirement by text 250-580-2356.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

13. HEARING REQUESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

13.1. For the protest forms and procedures see under RACING <https://rvyc.bc.ca/Racing>

13.2. The protest committee will attempt to resolve all protests by arbitration, if possible, as per RRS Appendix T.

14. SCORING Boats will be scored in the order they finish.

15. PRIZES

15.1. Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. Special prizes may also be awarded for noteworthy aspects.

15.2. Prizes will be presented on the lawn between the clubhouse and the patio at about 1630 or earlier if all boats have finished.

15.3. Skippers, or their representatives, must be present to receive their prizes.

16. SOCIAL Bar service is open from 1200 to 2100 on 9 August 2026. Dining service is open from 1200 to 2000.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY Competitors participate in the race 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 race.

18. INSURANCE Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party insurance with a minimum coverage of \$2,000,000CDN.

APPENDIX A – Start Times based on PHRF-BC Rating Ranges.

	Time	From	To
Start 1	11:00	246	250
Start 2	11:01	241	245
Start 3	11:02	235	240
Start 4	11:03	230	234
Start 5	11:04	224	229
Start 6	11:05	219	223
Start 7	11:06	213	218
Start 8	11:07	208	212
Start 9	11:08	202	207
Start 10	11:09	197	201
Start 11	11:10	191	196
Start 12	11:11	186	190
Start 13	11:12	181	185
Start 14	11:13	175	180
Start 15	11:14	170	174
Start 16	11:15	164	169
Start 17	11:16	159	163
Start 18	11:17	153	158
Start 19	11:18	148	152
Start 20	11:19	142	147
Start 21	11:20	137	141
Start 22	11:21	131	136
Start 23	11:22	126	130
Start 24	11:23	121	125
Start 25	11:24	115	120
Start 26	11:25	110	114
Start 27	11:26	104	109
Start 28	11:27	99	103
Start 29	11:28	93	98
Start 30	11:29	88	92
Start 31	11:30	82	87
Start 32	11:31	77	81
Start 33	11:32	71	76
Start 34	11:33	66	70
Start 35	11:34	61	65
Start 36	11:35	55	60
Start 37	11:36	50	54
Start 38	11:37	44	49
Start 39	11:38	39	43
Start 40	11:39	33	38

APPENDIX B – Finish Record Sheet

Skippers: Hand this sheet in at the RVYC Patio no later than 1600. See below for further details.

The Jemmy Jones Island – 9 August2026		
Finish Record Sheet		
Boat Name		
Sail Number		PHRF-BC Rating:
Skipper		
Date of Race	9 August2026	
Start Time		GPS Time (hh:mm:ss)
Finish Time		GPS Time (hh:mm:ss) or DNF/RET
Boat Ahead		Boat(s) finishing ahead of you.
Boat Behind		Boat(s) finishing after you.
Comments		
Instructions	Each boat must hand in their completed form to the race officer, AJ Hesford or his representative, at the RVYC Patio no later than 1600. If unable to attend in person, the result can be texted to 250-580-2356 or emailed to ajhesford@gmail.com	
	Results received after 1600 will not be accepted.	