



2.4 NOD North American Championships

Royal Victoria Yacht Club

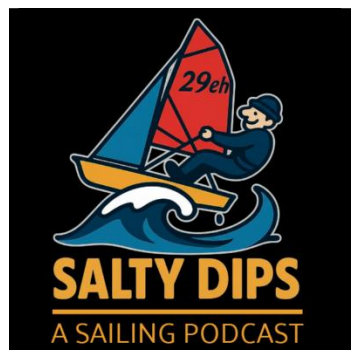
September 15 – 19 2026

**3475 Ripon Rd
Victoria, BC
Canada**

This event is organized by the International 2.4 Metre Class Association and the Royal Victoria Yacht Club (the Organising Authority).

The Royal Victoria Yacht Club hosts this event for sailors who take responsibility for their own safety and the safety of others; who are good sports on and off the water; who respect the traditional territory of the Lekwungen/Songhees peoples on which they compete; and who care for our environment and oceans.

Sailing Instruction (SI)
Version 1.0.0



The notation '[NP]' in a rule in these Sailing Instructions (SI) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

The notation '[SP]' in a rule in these SIs means that a standard penalty will be applied by the Race Committee without a hearing.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The prescriptions of Sail Canada shall apply. Sail Canada Prescriptions can be found here: www.sailing.ca/rules-prescriptions/

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located online at <https://rvyrcracing.ca/regatta/utop1mgcGT/>
- 3.2. The main race office is in the Chatham Room on the lower floor of the clubhouse, and a more accessible office is available on the main floor as required.
- 3.3. A WhatsApp group is available for unofficial communications and is linked to on the event website.
- 3.4. The Race Committee will use VHF channel 72.

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1. [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the small flagpole on Star Point near the launch ramp.
- 5.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1. See NOR 7.3 to 7.7.
- 6.2. On Wednesday September 16th at 1130 a competitor and Support Persons Welcome and Safety meeting shall occur at the flagpole. All boats and Support Persons shall attend. The changes NoR 7.1.

- 6.3. To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the orange start line flag will be displayed with one sound at least one minute before a warning signal is made.

7. **CLASS FLAG**

- 7.1. The Class Flag will be the Class Insignia in blue upon a white background.

8. **RACING AREA**

- 8.1. Racing will be held in the vicinity of Cadboro Bay and Oak Bay. Please see NOR Addendum B.

9. **COURSES**

- 9.1. The diagram in Addendum A shows the course, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2. The course will be a windward/leeward course.

10. **MARKS**

- 10.1. The marks are described in the table in Addendum A.
- 10.2. If one mark of a gate is missing or removed, then the remaining mark is to be rounded to port.
- 10.3. When a mark-bot is used as a mark, reasonable movement of a mark-bot on the course will not be grounds for redress. Such movement includes movements caused by windage, wind, a mark-bot returning to station after contact with a boat. This changes RRS 61.4(b); however, RRS 31, as amended by NoR 1.4, remains in effect.

11. **THE START**

- 11.1. The start line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Signal Boat on the starboard end, and the course side of the start mark on the port end.
- 11.2. [NP] A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
- 11.3. If a boat is determined to be on the course side of the starting line at the starting signal and she is identified, the Race Committee may attempt to broadcast her sail/bow number on the VHF channel. Failure to make a broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 61.1 (a).
- 11.4. Race Committee may begin the next race following approximately 10 minutes after the last boat finishes the previous race. This shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.1 (a).

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1. The Race Committee is not required to signal the change where the next leg of the course is changed by moving the mark less than 10 degrees in angle or less than 200 metres in length. This changes RRS 33.

13. THE FINISH

- 13.1. The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Signal Boat at the starboard end and the course side of the finishing mark (mark 4) at the port end.

14. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 14.1. The target time for each race shall be 45 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.1(a).
- 14.2. The time limit for each race shall be 90 minutes.
- 14.3. If no boat has reached the first windward mark within 30 minutes, Race Committee shall abandon the race.
- 14.4. The Finishing window will be 15 minutes.
- 14.5. The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course. 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 two more than the finishing place of the last boat that sailed the course within the Finishing Window and was not penalised under RRS 30.3 or 30.4. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

15. HEARING REQUESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1. The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the Signal Boat docks.
- 15.2. Hearing requests and requests for redress must be filed online using the form provided on the Official Notice Board within the protest time limit. This link can also be accessed from the event website.
- 15.3. Notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board within 15 minutes of the end of protest time limit to inform competitors of the time and place of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 15.4. The Protest Committee will attempt to resolve all eligible protests by arbitration as per Appendix T. Hearings will be held in the protest room, or in an accessible office (if requested) beginning at the time posted.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1. [DP] A boat that retires from a race or departs the racecourse between races shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

17. EQUIPMENT SUBSTITUTION

- 17.1. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Technical Committee. Written (electronic) requests for substitution shall be made to the Committee at the first reasonable opportunity, and no later than prior to the end of the protest time limit for that day.
- 17.2. Equipment substitution forms are linked on the official notice board.

18. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 18.1. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a member of the Race Committee or the Technical Committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. Ashore, equipment may be inspected or measured at times specified in the class rules, the notice of race, and prior to the end of the protest time limit for that day.

19. EVENT ADVERTISING

- 19.1. [DP] Boats shall display event advertising supplied by the organizing authority as follows: Boats will be required to affix bow numbers. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.

20. SUPPORT BOATS

- 20.1. [SP] Support boats are required to monitor the VHF channel.
- 20.2. Support boats may be called upon to render assistance in case of emergency or rescue situations.
- 20.3. [DP][NP] The Race Committee may issue search and rescue instructions without displaying Flag V.
- 20.4. [DP][NP] On each day that racing is scheduled, Support Boats shall remain outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. The racing area is defined as the area bounded by the laylines from the start area and to the windward mark, and the starting area and the start line extensions.

21. TRASH DISPOSAL

- 21.1. Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.
- 21.2. [SP] Boats and support vessels shall not throw trash in the water.

22. COMMUNICATIONS

- 22.1. [DP] Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make electronic voice or data transmissions and shall not receive electronic voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

23. STANDARD PENALTIES

- 23.1. Trash Disposal: For a breach of SI 21.1, a competitor will have four points added to the score of the race or the race closest in time to when the breach occurred.
- 23.2. Support Boat Communication: If the RC attempts to hail a support boat three times without success the boat registered to the support boat will be penalised 2 points to the score of the race or the race closest in time to the last hail attempted by the RC.

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Y – Second Digit – A material revision of a rule that will result in notice of amendment and highlighted change.

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Addendum A – Course and Marks**All Courses - Windward/Leeward (L)**

<i>Course ID</i>	<i>Course to Sail</i>	
L1	Start - 1 – 1a – 2p – Finish	
L2	Start - 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1- 1a – 2p – Finish	
L3	Start - 1 – 1a – 2s/2p - 1 – 1a – 2s/2p - 1 – 1a – 2p – Finish	

MARK	ALPHA COURSE
Signal Boat	<i>TBD</i>
1	Orange MarkSetBot
1a	Orange MarkSetBot
2s / 2p	Pink Tetrahedrons
3	Yellow MarkSetBot
4	Black and White Chequered Cylinder
Change	Orange Tetrahedron