



# *RIPS Canadian Race Week*

## AUGUST 11-15 2012

Port Browning Marina Pender Island, BC Canada  
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## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1.0 Rules

- 1.1 The *RIPS Canadian Race Week* will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012*, the prescriptions of the Canadian Yachting Association, the Sailing Instructions and any amendments.
- 1.2 The Pacific International Yachting Association Safety Regulations shall apply as follows: PIYA - Category III.
- 1.3 The Class Rules of the various One Design Classes will apply and the *Committee* may conduct random spot checks to ensure measurement compliance.

### 2.0 Advertising

The *RIPS Canadian Race Week* is designated a Category "C" event under ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code. The *Organizing Authority* may require all participating boats to display the event sponsor's advertising in accordance with Regulation 20.3(d) (i).

### 3.0 Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 The *RIPS Canadian Race Week* is open to:

- All keel boats with a current PHRF-NW certificate and rating less than 301,
- All keel boats with a current PHRF-BC certificate and rating  
(will receive a temporary PHRF-NW rating, for *RIPS* only, which may result in an adjustment to the PHRF-BC value. This temporary rating, given by the *RIPS* Handicapper (free of charge), will conform to PHRF-NW rules and standards and must be less than 301),
- One design classes: M242, M244, Etchells, Thunderbird, Olson 30, Melges 24, Moore 24 or any additional One Design Keel Boat Class.

- 3.1.1 A One Design Class must have 5 or more registered entries to be considered for a separate start.
- 3.2 The *Organizing Committee* reserves the right to accept entries after the normal closing date of Wednesday February 15, 2012. Eligible boats may be entered by completing the official entry form which is available online at [www.rips.ca](http://www.rips.ca) or by request from the *Organizing Committee*.

### 3.0 Eligibility and Entry cont'd

- 3.3 Moorage from August 10<sup>th</sup> through 15<sup>th</sup> is included in the entry fee.
- 3.4 Due to moorage limitations, the *Organizing Authority* reserves the right to limit the number of entries.
- 3.5 To be eligible to compete in this event, each entrant shall be a current financial member of a club or fleet recognized by the entrant's national authority.

### 4.0 Fees

- 4.1 Payment shall be made in Canadian Dollars by credit card or in the form of a cheque. The non-refundable entry fee is as follows:

Class	Before February 16, 2012	From February 16, 2012
All PHRF-NW & One Design Classes	\$15 per foot X length of boat	\$17 per foot X length of boat

- 4.2 Cheques should be made payable to *RIPS Yachting Ltd* and mailed to:  
1451 Seaview Road Black Creek BC Canada V9J 1J7

Credit card payment may be made with *RIPS Yachting Ltd* via one of three mechanisms:

- ✓ Online -- registration at [www.rips.ca](http://www.rips.ca) (secure, preferred method)
- ✓ Mail -- on the registration form to the address prescribed in 4.2
- ✓ Telephone -- contact 250-337-0049 directly to provide credit card information

### 4.3 Other Fees

If space allows, a fee of \$200 (Cdn) per approved Mothership (accommodation vessel) will be collected separately by, and must be paid directly to, *RIPS Yachting Ltd* using credit card (preferred) or by cheque. Refer to 19.0 for Further Information.

### 5.0 Schedule

#### 5.1 Skipper's Meeting

A race briefing will take place on Saturday August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 0830 hrs at Port Browning Marina. It is mandatory that each skipper or his/her representative attend the briefing.

#### 5.2 Racing Schedule

Date	Races	Time of First Warning Signal
Friday August 10 <sup>th</sup>	Practice Race	1400 hrs
Saturday August 11 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> Race	1100 hrs
Sunday August 12 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> Race	1025 hrs
Monday August 13 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> Race	1025 hrs
Tuesday August 14 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> Race	1025 hrs
Wednesday August 15 <sup>th</sup>	No starts after 1400 hrs	1025 hrs

## 6.0 Measurement

Each PHRF entry shall produce a valid PHRF-NW or PHRF-BC measurement certificate no later than Friday August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012. One Design measurement certificates shall be produced if requested.

## 7.0 Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be available by 1800hrs on Friday August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012 from the Regatta Committee.

## 8.0 Venue

The races will be held in Plumper Sound and adjacent waters.

## 9.0 The Courses

The courses will be Windward / Leeward.

## 10.0 Scoring

10.1 The Low-Points Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.

10.2 One race is required to constitute a series.

10.3 (a) When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When six to nine races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(c) When ten or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst two scores.

10.4 All PHRF-NW Classes will be scored using Time on Time calculations.

## 11.0 Berthing

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the marina.

## 12.0 Haul-Out Restrictions

Boats shall remain in the water for the duration of the regatta.

## 13.0 Plastic Pools

Plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

## 14.0 Handicapping

The handicap system will be the PHRF-NW rating, except for One-Design classes.

## 15.0 Radio Communication

- 15.1 Except when permitted, no boat shall instigate radio communication from 10 minutes before the first warning signal until 10 minutes after the last finish. Radio communication between boats and the Race Committee will be carried out on VHF Channel 9.
- 15.2 A boat retiring from a race must at the earliest opportunity notify the Race Committee by hail or by VHF on Channel 9.
- 15.3 Prior to and during each start sequence the Race Committee will make announcements indicating which class is in the starting procedure and the course number to be sailed.
- 15.4 Every effort will be made to inform boats observed by the Race Committee to be OCS and may be identified on the course frequency as specified in 15.1 as soon as possible. The order of hails, a boat's failure to hear a hail, or the omission of a hail by the Race Committee shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes Rule 41.
- 15.5 Boats are encouraged to monitor VHF Channel 9 during the last minute of the start sequence.

## 16.0 Prizes

Prizes will be awarded each day, for each division.  
Overalls for each division will be awarded on Wednesday August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

## 17.0 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk – See Rule 4, 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.

## 18.0 Insurance

Each participating boat must certify that they carry current liability insurance of not less than \$1,000,000 (Cdn) and provide proof no later than Friday August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

## 19.0 Further Information

Further information regarding the venue, accommodation, moorage and shore-side events (including reservation forms) is available:  
a) online ([www.rips.ca](http://www.rips.ca)) or  
b) via email (<mailto:info@rips.ca>)