

Sailing Instructions

Corinthian Yacht Club of Tacoma

Windseekers Series 2024

Spring Series – April 10th, 17th, 24th, May 01st, and 8th .
Late Spring Series – May 15th, 22th, 29th, June 5th, and 12th.
Summer Series – June 19th, 26th, July 3th, 10th, and 17th
Late Summer Series – July 24th, 31st, August, 7th, 14th, and 21rd .

1. RULES

- 1.1 The races will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2021-2024), the CYCT General Sailing Instructions, and the sailing instructions for each individual race or series
- 1.2 To be eligible to race, yachts must meet or exceed SER “Nearshore +” safety requirements. Yachts racing in PHRF must be a paid member of PHRF-NW and be on file with PHRF –NW. Windseekers class boats must be a minimum of 18 feet Length Over All (LOA). All yachts racing MUST have a signed registration form on file with the Race Committee and have paid all racing fees. All yachts MUST be insured as noted on the registration form and the General Race Instructions.
- 1.3 Skippers Meeting will be held Wednesday night prior to every race date at 6:00pm at the CYCT Clubhouse at the entrance to Tyee Marina Dock 2. Information provided at the Skippers Meeting will be repeated by the Race Committee 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start of a race on VHF Channel #68
- 1.4 Individual Recall
 - 1.4.1 PHRF Classes: The Race Committee may attempt to hail by name(s) and or sail number(s) of those PHRF Class Boats recalled. Failure to do so, the timing of the hails, the order of the hails, the failure to hear the hails, or any other issue associated with the hails, will not constitute grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a)
 - 1.4.2 Windseekers Classes: If a yacht is found to be On Course Side (OCS – “Over Early”), that yacht or yachts will be considered racing and (2) two points will be added to their finishing place in that race. **OR at the option of the skipper the yacht may safely restart.** This changes RRS 29.1. In addition, there will be no grounds for redress in these instances, which changes RRS 62.1(a).

2. SCHEDULE OF THE RACES AND CLASS FLAGS

- 2.1 First Warning for PHRF Fast Class Yachts shall be **1855** for all Windseeker races
- 2.2 First Warning for PHRF Half Fast Class Yachts shall be **1900** for all Windseeker races
- 2.3 First Warning for Windseekers class yachts shall be **1905** for all Windseeker races
- 2.4 Class Flag for PHRF Fast Class shall be **#1 Pennant**
- 2.5 Class Flag for PHRF Half Fast Class shall be **#2 Pennant**
- 2.6 Class Flag for Windseeker's/Windseeker Spinnaker shall be **Windseeker Burgee**

3. START

- 3.1 Start Line: Start line shall be between a temporary orange mark and the orange flag displayed on the Race Committee Boat anchored in the vicinity of Tye Marina
- 3.2 Start Sequence: To aid new racers to the starting sequence, the following describes the sound and visual signals used during the starting sequence for a typical Windseekers race with (3) starts:

<u>Time</u>	<u>Sound Signal</u>	<u>Visual Signal</u>
5 Minutes to First start	ONE HORN	Class #1 Flag UP
4 Minutes to First start	ONE HORN	Preparatory Flag (Code Flag " ") UP
1 Minute to First start	ONE LONG HORN	Preparatory Flag (Code Flag " ") DOWN
Start #1	ONE HORN	Class #1 Flag DOWN, Class #2 Flag UP
4 Minutes to Second start	ONE HORN	Preparatory Flag (Code Flag " ") UP
1 Minute to Second start	ONE LONG HORN	Preparatory Flag (Code Flag " ") DOWN
Start #2	ONE HORN	Class #2 Flag DOWN, Class #3 Flag UP
4 Minutes to Third start	ONE HORN	Preparatory Flag (Code Flag " ") UP
1 Minute to Third start	ONE LONG HORN	Preparatory Flag (Code Flag " ") DOWN
Start #3	ONE HORN	Class #3 Flag DOWN,

4. COURSES

- 4.1 Courses sailed are in Commencement Bay but can also include Dalco Passage and Quartermaster Harbor. A combination of existing buoys and temporary set marks are used and the course for the day is called at the skippers meeting one hour prior to the start matching the current conditions to an appropriate course. The Race Committee will announce the course 15 minutes before the start on VHF Channel #68.
- 4.2 Courses may be shortened at any mark of the course at the discretion of the Race Committee

5. FINISH

- 5.1 Finish Line: Start line shall be between a temporary orange mark and the orange flag displayed on the Race Committee Boat anchored in the vicinity of Tyee Marina

6. TIME LIMITS

- 6.1 For Spring and Late Summer series, the time limit shall be 90 Minutes after the start time for each class
- 6.2 For Late Spring and Summer Series, the time limit shall be (2) hours after the start time for each class

7. SCORING

- 7.1 For the Windseeker Series races, scoring for PHRF Classes shall be done on a TIME - ON - TIME formula.
- 7.2 For the Windseekers Series races, scoring for Windseekers shall be scored as they stand "boat for boat", in their individual classes. Furthermore, at the discretion of the Race Committee, Windseekers may be "horned on course" for finishing purposes, with no grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a)
- 7.3 Windseeker class vessels will race level, boat for boat, within a class and with No Flying Sails. If a yacht does well in a series, that yacht may, at the discretion of the Race Committee, be moved up a class in the next series. Conversely, if a yacht does not do well, and dependant on the number of yachts racing and classes, a yacht may be moved down a class for the next series

8. PROTEST AND PENALTIES

- 8.1 The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: “A boat may take a **One-Turn-Penalty** when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or Rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the *Zone* around a *Mark*, other than a starting *Mark*, her penalty shall be a **Two-Turn-Penalty**.”
- 8.2 Arbitration: Please see the General Sailing Instructions Section 13.2 – ARBITRATION
- 8.3 Protest must be filed with the Protest Committee within 24 hours of race completion.
- 8.4 Vessels found interfering with commercial traffic will be disqualified at the discretion of the Race Committee without recourse.