



# *2021 Dinghy Evening Series*

## *The Royal St Lawrence Yacht Club*

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

#### 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 at <https://rstlyc.qc.ca/notice-of-race> .

#### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flap pole located in the centre of the front lawn.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

#### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 18h30.
- 5.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed one minute before a warning signal is made.

#### 6 CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 The Lightning Class flag is a Lightning Class insignia in black on a teal background.
- 6.2 The ILCA Class flag is the "Laser" insignia in red on a white background.

#### 7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 The racing area is Pine Beach Bay.

#### 8 COURSES

- 8.1 The diagram below in SI Addendum A shows the courses to be sailed
- 8.2 Course 2 will be sailed unless, no later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display placard no. 1 indicating course 1 to be sailed.



## 9 MARKS

9.1 Marks are yellow inflatable cylinders and orange mooring balls.

## 10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

10.2 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end 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 that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## 11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

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

## 12 THE FINISH

12.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on Race Committee vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.

## 13 TIME LIMITS

13.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
15 minutes	60 minutes	10 minutes

13.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.

13.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish 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 one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

13.4 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## 14 HEARING REQUESTS

14.1 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat in



that class finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

14.2 Hearing request forms are available at <https://rstlyc.qc.ca/notice-of-race>

## 15 SCORING

15.1 The scoring system is as follows: is the Low Point Scoring System.

15.2 *One* race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

15.3 A boat's series score is the total of her race scores. However, a boat may exclude two of her worst scores for each 5 races sailed.

(a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.

(b) When from 5 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

(c) When 10 to 14 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her four worst scores, and so on.

15.4 Rule A5.3 applies.

## 16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

16.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## 17 TRASH DISPOSAL

17.1 Trash may be placed aboard official vessels.

## 18 PRIZES

18.1 Prizes will be given in each class for the top three finishers.

## 19 RISK STATEMENT

19.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury.

**Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

## 20 INSURANCE

20.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$2,000,000.00 CAD per incident or the equivalent.



## SI ADDENDUM A

COURSE 2 (two Laps):

S – 1 – 2A/2B – 1 – F

COURSE 1 (one Lap):

S – 1 - F

