

**West Sound Corinthian Yacht Club**  
**September 6-Pack Evening Series, Brownsville**  
**September 8, 15, 22, 29, 2017**  
**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1. RULES:**

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in **The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020** (RRS) including US SAILING prescriptions, as they apply.
- 1.2 All yachts shall comply with Pacific International Yachting Association (PIYA) Category "Nearshore" safety requirements. These requirements are available at [www.ussailing.net/piya/new/cat\\_cert.html](http://www.ussailing.net/piya/new/cat_cert.html) as a certificate.
- 1.3 The Racing Rules of Sailing Rules 32, 35, 42.1, and 63.4 will be changed as indicated. The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions and Notice of Race, as applicable.
- 1.4 Pacific Handicap Racing Fleet - Northwest (PHRF-NW) handicapping rules shall apply except membership in PHRF-NW is not required. For handicap information, see web site [www.phrf-nw.org](http://www.phrf-nw.org).
- 1.5 Interference with Traffic: Interference with non-racing traffic is strictly forbidden. A report of interference by the traffic to the Race Committee is sufficient cause for protest. No sounds are required.
- 1.6 Yachts shall not approach within 100 yards of any US naval vessel. If you need to pass within 100 yards of a U.S. naval vessel in order to ensure a safe passage, you must contact the U.S. naval vessel or the Coast Guard escort vessel on VHF-FM channel 16. See NOR 7.1.

**2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS:**

The race committee, during check in or registration, will provide notices to competitors in writing. Should additional notices be required, oral changes may be given only on the water and are to be the same to all competitors. The race shall be postponed until all competitors receive said notice.

**3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

The race committee, during check in or registration, will provide changes to the Sailing Instructions in writing. Should additional changes be required, the race shall be postponed until all competitors receive said changes.

**4. SCHEDULE OF RACE:**

- 4.1 Registration: Friday, of any race day prior to 30 minutes before the first warning.
- 4.1 Date of racing: Fridays, September 8, 15, 22, 29, 2017
- 4.2 Number of races: One (1) each evening for a series total of four (4) races.
- 4.3 The scheduled time of the first warning signal for the race is 6:00 p.m..

**5. DIVISIONS AND CLASS FLAGS:**

5.1 The divisions shall start together. **There shall be one start.** The RC shall signal the warning for the start using Pennant 1 (*white w/red oval*).

5.2 Divisions shall be based on PHRF-NW ratings as follows:

DIVISION I	140 and under
DIVISION II	141 and over
DIVISION III	No Flying Sails

**6. RACING AREA:** Port Orchard Bay (Proximity to Brownsville Marina)

**7. COURSE(S) AND MARKS:**

7.1 COURSES

Course	Marks *(“N” start order, reverse order for “S” start)	Distance (nm)
A	1-2-3*	3.44
B	1-2-4*	7.62
C	1-4*	6
D	WINWARD/LEEWARD (marks to port)	Determined by RC
J	Get Course from RC	Determined by RC

7.2 DESCRIPTION OF MARKS

7.2.1 Courses A, B, C Mark Description. See figure 1 in section 17 chartlet.

Mark	Mark Description
1	Club buoy (start line) set off the Brownsville Marina breakwater or committee boat
2	Club Buoy Set off of University Point
3	Club Buoy Set off of Battle Point
4	#6 "dolphin" NE of Point Bolin

7.2.2 Mark rounding courses A, B, and C.

“N” placard = north start and leave all rounding marks to STARBOARD.

“S” placard = South start and leave all rounding marks, PORT.

7.2.3 For course D, three club buoys will be used for the start pin, windward mark, and leeward mark. The start/finish line is “open” and may be crossed during the race. **For course D, leave all rounding marks to PORT.** See figure 2 in section 17 chartlet for course diagram.

7.3 The Race Committee will display the course, number of laps, and course direction. The Race Committee may select multiple courses. The crossing of the finish line for the first lap is considered to be the start of the second lap.

Example courses:

RC Display	Interpretation of RC Display	Marks and Rounding Direction	Distance (nm)
A1S	Course A, 1 lap, South Start	1p, 2p, 3p	3.44
A1N	Course A, 1 lap, North Start	1s, 3s, 2s	3.44
A2S	Course A, 2 lap, South Start	1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p	6.88
A2N	Course A, 2 lap, North Start	1s, 3s, 2s, 1s, 3s, 2s	6.88
B1S	Course B 1 lap South Start	1p, 2p, 4p	7.62
B1N	Course B 1 lap North Start	1s, 4s, 2s	7.62
C1N	Course C1 lap North Start	1s, 4s	6

## 8. THE START:

8.1 (per RRS, rule 26, and repeated here for information only)

Races shall be started by using the following signals. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded. Again, **there will be only one start.**

<i>Minutes before starting signal</i>	<i>Visual signal</i>	<i>Sound signal</i>	<i>Means</i>
5	Class (Div) flag	One	Warning signal
4	P, I, Z, Z with I, or black flag	One	Preparatory signal
1	Preparatory flag removed	One long	One minute
0	Class flag removed	One	Starting signal

8.2 The starting line will be between staff displaying an orange flag and an orange buoy starting mark.

9. **THE FINISH:** The finish line will be between staff displaying an orange flag and an orange/red buoy starting mark.

10. **TIME LIMITS:** The time limit for the first boat to finish will be 2 hours. Boats failing to finish within 2 ½ hours will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS Rule 35.

11. **PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS:** Protests and requests for redress will be made per Part 5 of the **Racing Rules of Sailing**. The race committee shall be notified of a boat's intent to protest or to file for redress at the first opportunity.

12. **SCORING:** Time on distance scoring will be used.

**13. SAFETY REGULATIONS:**

- 13.1 Check-in before warning and Check-out after finishing or retiring is required.
- 13.2 Racers who withdraw before finishing shall notify the Race Committee at the earliest opportunity. In a multiple race regatta, racers who finish a race and decide to retire from racing shall notify the Race Committee at the earliest opportunity.
- 14. USE OF ENGINE:** Engines shall not be used except as necessary to avoid non-racing traffic, a dangerous situation or to aid in the rescue of a boat or crew. The yacht's skipper shall report (in writing) all details to the protest committee (see SI 7.5), which may then give redress. Note: starting the engine in advance of a possible danger but not placing it in gear, does not relieve the yacht from the reporting requirements. This supersedes RRS Rule 42.1.
- 15. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS:** In fairness to all competitors, the Race Committee will not answer hails or radio calls from contestants other than for emergencies or withdrawals. However, contestants may communicate with the Race Committee if called by them, but this communication should be limited to position on the course or conditions.
- 14. PRIZES:** Prizes will be awarded up to the third place for each division, based on the number of entries. The number of prizes is determined by dividing the number of entries by 2 and rounding down. For example, if there are 5 entries in a division, there will be prizes for first and second place. Refreshment prizes courtesy of Robert Heay's Port Orchard Yacht Sales will be awarded to the first place in each division after each race.
- 15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:** Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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 race.
- 16. INSURANCE:** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

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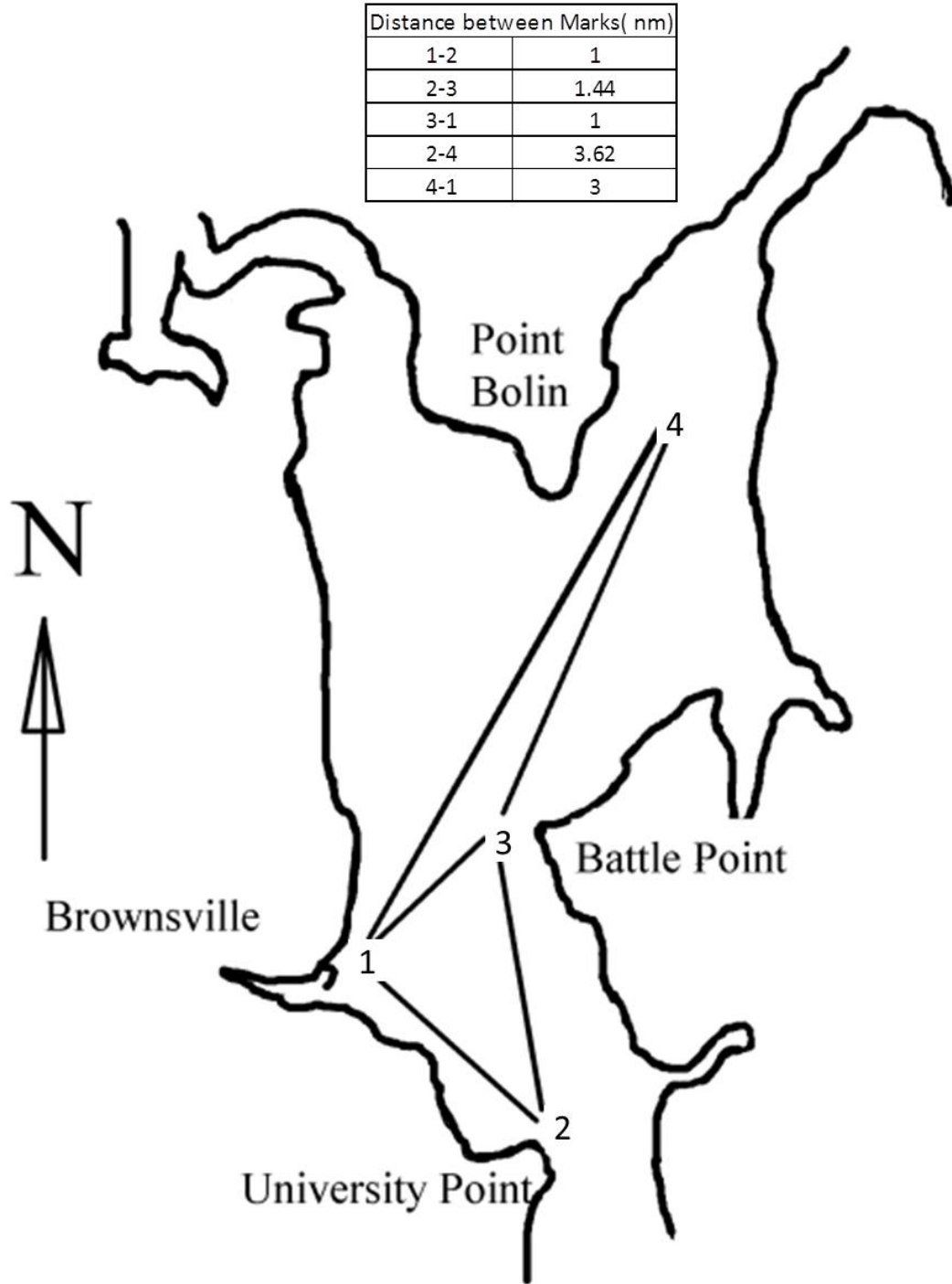
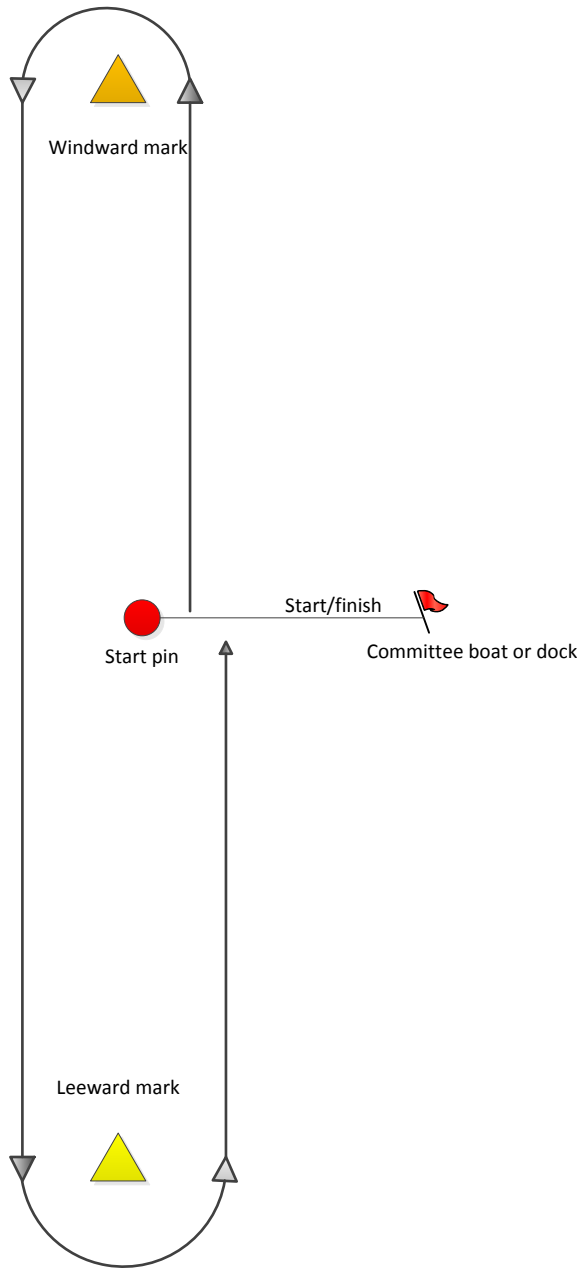


Figure 1 Location and Distance for Courses A, B, and C marks.



**Figure 2 Course D Windward/Leeward Mark Locations.**