



RACE WEEK ANACORTES 2024

Anacortes, Washington USA

June 24-28, 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority (OA) is Race Week Anacortes

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The US Sailing Prescriptions to The Racing Rules of Sailing shall apply and a link will be posted on the event website.
- 1.3 Applicable One Design and/or applicable Rating/Handicapping System Class Rules, as modified by this NOR and the Sailing Instructions, shall apply.
- 1.4 RRS Appendix T shall apply.
- 1.5 Boats other than those racing under One Design Class Rules shall conform to the current World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations - Category 4.
- 1.6 Racing may occur near active shipping channels which include Traffic Separation Schemes so competitors are advised to pay close attention to the preamble to RRS Part 2.
- 1.7 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.8 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions. Competitors will find any/all current requirements posted on the notice board at <https://www.raceweekpnw.com>

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available on the event website by June 14, 2024. Copies of the SIs will also be distributed during check-in.
- 2.2 Fleets hosting fleet championships at Race Week will receive a customized SI insert that addresses specific fleet championship Sailing Instructions.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1 The online notice board link is located at <https://www.raceweekpnw.com>
- 3.2 All boats shall carry and monitor an operating VHF radio.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that could provide an advantage.

- 3.5 Commencing at the time 30 minutes prior to the warning signal for the First Start and at all times while racing, a boat shall not operate or receive images or media from a drone (UAV).

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to One Design keelboats, PHRF, ORC, Multihulls and Cruising Class. Five (5) boats are required to set a One Design, ORC, or PHRF fleet, with the exception of the Cruising Class fleet and any fleet where all boats are 50 feet in length or greater. The Cruising Class fleet number will be determined by the number of active registrations. The Cruising Class may be split into two groups: Flying Sails, and Non-Flying Sails.
- 4.2 Handicap fleets will be split in groups no larger than 18 boats and, as well as handicap, consideration will also be given to light/heavy displacement in order to make the splits as equitable as possible. Fleet splits will be published on the online notice board at <https://www.raceweekpnw.com> by June 14, 2024.
- 4.3 One Design fleets with eight (8) or more boats are invited to use Race Week 2024 to conduct a Nationals or North American Championship. Contact the OA to discuss customized racing options, registration and course specifications.
- 4.4 Boats racing under PHRF handicap shall have a valid PHRF certificate. Race Week 2024 is a PHRF-NW event. Boats with a PHRF BC or PHRF rating from elsewhere in North America will be normalized to be consistent with the PHRF-NW database by the Event Handicapper at no charge.
- 4.5 Boats Racing under ORC Handicap shall have a valid ORC Club or ORCi Certificate.
- 4.6 In the event that a boat's rating has been changed after the entry has been accepted, the OA shall be advised by emailing Schelleen@Rathkopf.org. No rating changes will be accepted after 1700 on June 10, 2024.
- 4.7 Boats may enter by registering online at <https://www.raceweekpnw.com>. Registration closes June 10, 2024. Any entries after this time will be considered on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of the OA.
- 4.8 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.9 [DP] Skippers will be required to keep a current crew log on board their boats at all times. The crew log will include the crew's full legal name, date of birth, and emergency contact information for each crew member who is racing at Race Week 2024.

5. FEES

- 5.1 Race Week 2024 registration is \$550 USD for entries received up to midnight May 31, 2024.
- 5.2 For any entries received on June 1, 2024 and beyond, a \$150 USD late entry fee will be charged.
- 5.3 Registration cancellations up to March 1, 2024 will be refunded, less a \$150 cancellation fee. No refunds will be granted after March 2, 2024.

6. ADVERTISING

- 6.1 Advertising shall comply with World Sailing regulation 20 (see rule 6 and the World Sailing Advertising Code). Boats must inform the OA of their intent to use advertising, and advertising material must be approved by the OA by June 1, 2024. If approved, no advertising fee will apply.
- 6.2 Competitors are reminded of the brand exclusivity of official sponsors of the event, and advertising that competes with the official sponsors will not be approved by the OA and therefore, must not be displayed at the event.
- 6.3 [DP] If provided, all boats shall display sponsor's advertising on bow stickers for the duration of the event. These bow stickers will be supplied free of charge by the OA at registration.

7. SCHEDULE

7.1

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Sun, June 23	1000 – 2000 1730 – 2000	Registration Packet Pick-Up (C-Dock, Cap Sante Marina) Competitors Meeting/Tent Party Location: Depot Arts Center, Anacortes
Mon, June 24	1100 1800-2000	Warning signal for the first race of the day Daily Awards/Tent Party Location: Depot Arts Center, Anacortes
Tues, June 25	1100* 1800-2000	Warning signal for the first race of the day Daily Awards/Tent Party Location: Depot Arts Center, Anacortes
Wed, June 26	1100* 1800-2000 2000-2130	Warning signal for the first race of the day Daily Awards/Tent Party Location: Depot Arts Center, Anacortes Campfire Location: TBD
Thurs, June 27	1100* 1800-2000	Warning signal for the first race of the day Daily Awards/Tent Party Location: Depot Arts Center, Anacortes
Fri, June 28	1100* 1500 1700	Warning signal for the first race of the day No new races will be started after this time Overall Awards Location: Party Barges (Slips C-27 and C-29)

* Note that the above schedule will be modified for the day of the pursuit race, and that the first starts may be as early as 10 am. Changes to schedule for pursuit will be announced on the official notice board by 1700 the day before the pursuit race.

- 7.2 The location and time of the Skippers Meeting, Post-Race Tent Parties, Daily Awards, Campfire, and Overall Awards will be at the Depot Arts Center (across the street from Cap Sante Marina) at 611 R Ave, Anacortes, WA 98221.
- 7.3 There are 5 Post-Race Parties planned that are open to participants of Race Week Anacortes and will feature the daily awards, live music, and open bar. The cost for a daily party bracelet is \$25.00 for adults who are 21 and over, and \$5 for youth. Children under 12 are FREE. A weekly party bracelet will be available for \$100 for adults who are 21 and over.

8. VENUE

- 8.1 Racing will take place off the NE shores of Guemes Island, or in the Guemes Channel. If the weather conditions permit, there may also be some distance racing in the San Juan Island archipelago.

9. COURSES

- 9.1 Courses will be defined in the Sailing Instructions and will include short courses around inflatable and permanent marks. Courses will be determined only after fleets are confirmed and participating in Race Week 2024.

- 9.2 If conditions are suitable, a mid-distance pursuit race may be conducted one day. For a pursuit race, each boat will be assigned a starting time based on their PHRF NW rating and the length of the course.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1 The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while *racing*. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty."
- 10.2 In an effort to maintain fair and equitable racing and mitigate the number of protests, some form of on the water umpiring may be used. Specific details will be contained in the Sailing Instructions.

11. SCORING

- 11.1 A maximum of fifteen (15) races are scheduled depending on fleet requirements, of which three must be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.2 A minimum of one race per day shall be completed per fleet for daily trophies to be awarded.
- 11.3 When less than five races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores.
- 11.4 When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.5 For boats racing under the PHRF handicap system, results will be calculated by Time on Time, except for a pursuit race which will calculate results by Time on Distance.
- 11.6 For boats racing under the ORC handicap system, results will be calculated by Time on Time using the Triple Number Windward/Leeward scoring coefficient except for the pursuit race which will calculate results based on Single Number All Purpose rating.
- 11.7 If a boat races with sail numbers other than those with which she registered, she must request the approval of the race committee IN WRITING (email with an email reply from the race committee is acceptable) stating her class, boat name, registered sail number, and alternate sail number prior to the Competitors Meeting 17:30, Sunday, June 23, 2024. The race committee may reject any requested alternate sail number that is a duplicate of another registered boat. A boat that fails to comply with this instruction or is denied approval by the race committee may be scored DNC without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

12. SUPPORT BOATS

- 12.1 Registrants using coach/support boats shall register with the OA at RW Anacortes HQ no later than 6 pm on June 23, 2024.
- 12.2 Registered coach/support vessels must display the identifying flag that will be provided by the OA at all times while near the race area(s). A deposit will be required to be paid for the flag.
- 12.3 Support boats shall remain no less than 150 yards from the race course starting area and lay lines from the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 12.4 Support boats shall carry a VHF radio tuned to the designated race committee VHF channel for the course they are nearest to.
- 12.5 Support boat drivers shall have valid third-party liability insurance.
- 12.6 [DP] Failure of a support boat to comply with NOR 12.1 through 12.5 may result in a protest against the boat associated with that support.

- 12.7 Boats without motors are required to provide support boat(s) for their fleet. The number of support boats required is based on the class rules and boat ratings.

13. BERTHING

- 13.1 Race Week 2024 competitors will have exclusive guest moorage consideration on 'C' Dock at Cap Sante Marina from 1300 Sunday, June 23, 2024 through 12:00 Saturday, June 29, 2024 but moorage reservations are required in advance.
- 13.2 Race Week 2024 registration fees do not include guest moorage fees at Cap Sante Marina.
- 13.3 Boat registration to Race Week 2024 is required before moorage reservations on 'C' Dock can be made. Once this boat registration is received, competitors will receive a moorage code from Race Week that is required to make moorage reservation on 'C' Dock at Cap Sante Marina. Competitors make their moorage reservations directly with the Cap Sante Harbormaster's office using their online reservation system through the Port of Anacortes website <https://www.portofanacortes.com/guest-moorage-reservation/> Moorage fees shall be paid at the Harbormaster's office at Cap Sante Marina at the time of arrival.
- 13.4 Slip assignments will be sent to all registered skippers by June 14, 2024. Skippers who have not made moorage arrangements with Cap Sante Marina will not receive a slip assignment on 'C' Dock.
- 13.5 Tenders: Tender requests for moorage on 'C' Dock will be considered on a first come/first served and space available basis. Competitors are advised to secure tender moorage elsewhere in the Cap Sante Marina using their online reservation system through the Port of Anacortes website <https://www.portofanacortes.com/guest-moorage-reservation/>. Once here, enter the word 'TENDER' in Race Week code cell. To request a tender slip on C Dock, competitors can send tender requests to the OA at schelleen@rathkopf.org who will keep a waiting list. As 'C' Dock is reserved for race boats, tenders will be allowed if there are spaces available. If a tender is given a space on 'C' Dock, it is not guaranteed that the tender will be located next to the team's racing boat, but efforts will be made to accommodate competitor's requests. Tender slip assignments will be released on June 14, 2024. If a competitor has made a moorage reservation for a tender that is not on 'C' Dock, but later is notified that the tender can be placed on 'C' Dock, the OA will notify the marina office of the new slip assignment.

14. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 14.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission from the Principal Race Officer.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 15.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. (See RRS 3 DECISION TO RACE). The Organizing Authority, Whidbey Island Race Week LLC, its Sponsors, their employees and volunteers do not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 15.2 The safety of a boat and its crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Skipper who shall ensure that the boat is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy, and manned by an experienced and physically able crew. Neither the establishment of regulations or inspection of a boat in any way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the Skipper.
- 15.3 The Skipper shall be responsible for the conduct of his/her crew. In the event of a serious breach of conduct, the destruction of property or the failure to comply with a reasonable request of any Race Officer or Committee Member, the Skipper will be responsible for all damages and the boat may be subject to protest, which may include disqualification from the regatta. [DP]

16. INSURANCE

- 16.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid, third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$400,000 USD per event or the equivalent. Skippers must be prepared to show their insurance certificate, if requested.

17. PRIZES

- 17.1 Daily fleet awards will be presented at the post-race party (see 7. SCHEDULE) to the top 3 finishers in each fleet.
- 17.2 Overall awards will be presented to the top 3 boats in each fleet at the Overall Awards Ceremony happening on Friday, June 28, 2024 (See 7. SCHEDULE).
- 17.3 A Yacht Club Team Trophy may be awarded. A yacht club may enter one team of 3 boats from 2 or more different fleets to compete for the Yacht Club Team Trophy. The winning team will be determined by the best combined scores of the team's members as a percentage of the number of boats in their fleet. Yacht club teams must be identified at registration packet pick-up on Sunday, June 23, 2024 to be eligible.
- 17.4 The Philip Wise Sportsmanship Award is a perpetual award that will be given to the yacht or individual who shows exemplary sportsmanship at the regatta as determined by the Race Week 2024 Race Management Team.
- 17.5 The Molly Kool Cup Trophy is a perpetual award that will be given to a woman skipper who shows exemplary performance by a woman who is at the helm for the entire duration of racing at Race Week 2024.
- 17.6 Fleets conducting fleet championships at Race Week will provide specific fleet prizes for daily and overall winners.

18. EVENT NAME AND LOGO

- 18.1 Any commercial or editorial reference to this event must use the regatta's official name, Race Week Anacortes 2024. Any commercial video of the event, including website productions, must be licensed by Whidbey Island Race Week LLC. Any use of the event logo on merchandise or gear without license by Whidbey Island Race Week LLC is prohibited.

19. MORE INFORMATION

- 19.1 Race Week 2024 advises that all registered skippers review any/all boating safety protocols and Man Overboard (MOB) drills with their crews prior to participating in Race Week 2024.
- 19.2 Race Week 2024 Headquarters (HQ) and merchandise sales location(s) and hours of operation will be posted on the online notice board at <https://www.raceweekpnw.com>.
- 19.3 Race Week Anacortes 2024 Contact Information: Schelleen Rathkopf, Event Producer, 2400 NW 80th Street, #130 Seattle, WA 98117 Schelleen@Rathkopf.org (206) 384-5254
- 19.4 The Race Week 2024 Race Management Team is Charley Rathkopf (PRO) and Paul Evenden (RO).
- 19.5 Links:
PHRF NW <http://phrf-nw.org/>
PHRF BC <http://bcsailing.bc.ca/racing/phrf-orc/>
ORC www.OC.org/clubapplication.
ORC Explained <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/orc/>

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