



The 43rd Annual
BLACKLINE MARINE
PATOS ISLAND RACE
Sidney North Saanich Yacht Club
1949 Marina Way, North Saanich, B.C.
March 21 & 22, 2026

Change to the Sailing Instructions (SIs) – Offshore Long and Short Courses

Version 1.1 – March 12th, 2026

Changes from Version 1.0 dated March 3rd, 2026

This change removes the Offshore Short Course. The Offshore Short Course is cancelled due to low registration. Boats entered in this course are invited to race in either the Offshore Long Course or the Gulf Islands Course.

Header

Delete “and Short”.

Section 1.5 (AIS)

Replace “either the Long or Short course” with “the Long course”.

Prepend [NP][DP].

Section 5.2 (Class Flags)

Delete “Short Course: Numeral 2 ”.

Section 7.3 (Short Course description)

This section is deleted.

Section 7.4 (Shortening)

Replace “Long and Short Courses” with “Long Course”.

Section 8.1 (The Start)

Replace “Races” with “The Race”.

Section 8.2

Replace this with “All Long Course divisions will start together”.

Section 8.3 (Start Sequence)

Delete rows 7 through 11 (the Short Course start sequence) from the table.

Adjust the times for the Gulf Islands Course Fleet to reflect Warning at 10:05.

Section 8.5 (Start line for the Short Course)

This section is deleted.

Section 8.8 (restarting)

This section is deleted.

Section 8.9 (keeping clear of the start line)

This section is deleted.

Section 9.1 (Finish Line)

Replace “both the long and short courses” with “the long course”.

Replace “orange flag” with “blue flag”.

Section 9.2

Replace “orange flag” with “blue flag”.

Section 9.3 (Contacting RC)

Delete “and Short Course”.

Section 10.1 (Penalty System)

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Delete "For boats in the Long and Short Courses, ".

Section 11.1 (Time Limits)

Replace "For both the Long and Short Courses, " with "For the Long Course, ".

Section 13.2 (Safety)

Replace "In Haro Strait and Boundary Pass, extreme care must be taken when entering, crossing or leaving the traffic separation scheme lane." with "In Haro Strait and Boundary Pass, extreme care must be taken at all times, particularly when in the main shipping channel."

Addendum A (Course Diagram)

Replace chart with one showing Long Course only.