



## **Viper 640 North American Championships 2018**

**July 4-8, 2018**

***CORK/Sail Kingston and Kingston Yacht Club***

***Kingston, Ontario, Canada***

### **Notice of Race**

The Organizing Authority (OA) for the 2018 Viper 640 North American Championship is the 2018 Viper 640 Championships Committee in conjunction with the Kingston Yacht Club and CORK Sail Kingston.

#### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules (as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*), *the Viper 640 Class Rules*, and *the Sailing Instructions*..
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the [Canadian national authority](#) will apply. The following prescription may require advance preparation.  
RRS 46 – Person in Charge - Sail Canada prescribes that the designated person in charge, if resident in Canada, shall be a member of a club affiliated with Sail Canada.
- 1.3 Boats still racing 20 minutes after the first boat finishes, and not thereafter retiring, being penalised or given redress, will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) and will be assigned scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two points. This changes rules 35, A4.1, A4.2, and A5.
- 1.4 Rule 44.1 will be changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty for all violations of Part 2 except for violations that occur within the Zone around a mark, other than a starting mark, where the penalty shall be two-turns.
- 1.5 Rules A4 and A5 will be changed to state that a boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start.
- 1.6 Decisions of the International Jury, if used, will be final as provided in RRS 70.5

## **2 ADVERTISING**

- 2.1 Advertising shall conform to the current World Sailing Regulation 20 and the Viper 640 Class Rules.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

## **3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1. The regatta shall be open to all Viper 640 boats whose skipper is a member of the Viper 640 Class Association and has completed the entry process as described in NoR 3.2.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form and submitting it through the event website [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com)
- 3.3. The following documents shall be submitted at the time of Competitor Check-In:
  - 3.3.1. Verification of membership.
  - 3.3.2. A Boat and Equipment Inspection List signed by a member of the Class Technical Committee.
  - 3.3.3. A certificate of compliance of the Viper 640 Class Association Rules, signed by the owner or skipper.
  - 3.3.4 Verification of All Crew and All Skippers of ISAF Category Level 1 or 3. Skipper and Crew can register with World Sailing at <http://members.sailing.org/sailors/profile.php> . 3.3 6 Only boats having completed all entry requirements will be allowed to compete

**3.4. Teams wishing to compete for the top Corinthian boat prize shall complete the Corinthian team input on the Yacht Scoring website by 2200 Tuesday, July 3' 2018**

**3.5. A complete list of Corinthian teams will appear on the event website by 2000 Wednesday, July 4, 2018.**

## **4 FEES (VISA, MC, Debit Card, Money Orders, Bank Drafts and Cash accepted)**

- 4.1 The entry fee covers racing, the per diem fee to the City of Kingston for use of facilities and a social program (for up to 3 sailors).
  - o Additional Social Packages will be available C\$150 each

4.2 Required fees are as follows:

Date	Fees
Completed entry form and entry fee received <b>on or before May 1, 2018</b>	CAD \$600 CAD tax included
Regular entry fee, received and paid on or before June 1,	CAD \$700 CAD tax included
Late entries received after June 15, 2018	CAD \$835 CAD tax included

4.3 On-line and in-person registrations will close at 1900 on Wednesday, July 4<sup>th</sup>. All pre-registered competitors must check-in with the CORK registration desk by 1900 on Wednesday, July 4<sup>th</sup>. Late check-in by permission of the organizing authority.

## 5 SCHEDULE

### 5.1

Date	Time	Event
Wednesday, July 4	1000-1700	Measurements, Boat & Equipment Inspections
	1000-1900	Competitor Registration and check-in at CORK registration desk
	1900	Viper Class kick off BBQ
Thursday, July 5	0800	Regatta office open
	0930	Opening Welcome Portsmouth Olympic Harbour
	1155	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal
Friday, July 6	1055	Warning, Racing Resumes
Saturday, July 7	1055	Warning, Racing Resumes
Sunday, July 8	1055	Warning, Racing Resumes
	1330	No warning signal after this time
	ASAP After	Awards Portsmouth Olympic Harbour

	Racing	
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Social event schedule will be posted at [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com)

5.2 No pre-set maximum number of races are scheduled.

5.3 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1330.

## 6. MEASUREMENT

At any time before and during the regatta, the Viper 640 Technical Committee may inspect and measure any boat, equipment thereon and sails in order to determine compliance with class rules and eligibility. Competitors shall be aware that random spot checks of rules compliance may be in effect throughout the event.

## 7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at check-in and will be posted on-line at [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com)

## 8 VENUE

The regatta will be run from Portsmouth Olympic Harbour. Races will be held in Kingston Harbour in close proximity to Portsmouth Olympic harbour

## 9 THE COURSES

Windward-Leeward courses will be used.

## 10 SCORING

10.1. The Low Point Scoring system of Appendix A shall apply except that when six (6) or more races have been completed, a competitor may discard his worst score.

10.2. No pre-set maximum number of races are scheduled.

10.3. One (1) completed race shall constitute a series.

## 11 COACHES AND COACH/SUPPORT BOATS

Coaches and support boats must register in-person A numbered flag will be issued at check-in and must be displayed. There is no coach fee but a \$20.00 deposit for the flag is required. Coaches and supporters are required to monitor the CORK course channel on their VHF radios and be available to assist with safety when requested.

11.2. The OA will not provide berths for support boats. Support boats shall yield right of way to all competitors and event support vessels. Support boats shall give ramp and hoist priority to competitors and event support vessels.

11.4. Rules governing the conduct of support boats will be outlined in the SIs.

## **12. BERTHING**

Berthing will be available boats shall be kept in their assigned areas on their designated days of the regatta. Rafting in a berth may be required and competitors should plan accordingly. Haul assignments if required will be available at check in.

## **13 LAUNCH AND HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

All boats are to be launched prior to the first warning signal of the regatta and shall not be hauled out without prior permission of the Viper 640 Technical Committee or PRO or on their non-assigned day.

## **14 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

- 14.1. All boats are required to carry a VHF Radio.
- 14.2. The race committee intends to use international VHF marine frequencies to broadcast courtesy information to competitors, which may include OCS hails after starts. The channel will be 10 International.
- 14.2 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones, and any other communication devices.

## **15 PRIZES**

- 15.1. Prizes will be awarded to the overall first through fifth place finishers.
- 15.2. The overall first place finisher will be the 2018 Viper 640 North American Champion.
- 15.3. The top three Corinthian Boats will be awarded to the highest placing three boats in which the helm and all crew are registered World Sailing Group 1 sailors. Skipper and Crew can register with World Sailing at <http://members.sailing.org/sailors/profile.php>
- 15.4. The Governor's Cup Perpetual will be awarded to the highest placing skipper who will be 55 or older in the calendar year 2018.
- 15.5. The top female helm will be awarded Top Female Finisher.
- 15.6. The youngest sailing crew under the age of eighteen of that year will be awarded Youngest Crew Award.
- 15.7. The farthest travelling team not hailing from the North American Continent will be awarded Farthest Travelled International Team.
- 15.8. The farthest travelling team hailing from the North American Continent will be awarded Farthest Travelled North American Team

## **16 PHOTO AND VIDEO DISCLAIMER**

By participating in the event, competitors give absolute right and permission for any photograph and video footage taken of themselves or the boat they are sailing during the event to be published in any media whatsoever, for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information without compensation.

## **17 RISK STATEMENT**

RRS 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizers does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances

## **18. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with minimum coverage of CAD\$300,000 per event or the equivalent

## **19. AMENDMENTS**

Amendments to the NOR and other regatta information will be posted on the Official Notice Board at CORK/Sail Kingston and the event website [Yachtsoring.com](http://Yachtsoring.com)

## 20. FURTHER INFORMATION

20.1. Event website located at: [Yachtsoring.com](http://Yachtsoring.com)

20.2. Event Facebook site is located at: [@viper640](https://www.facebook.com/viper640)

20.3. Social Package fees and schedule will be detailed in the Event Social Package document available from the event website.

20.4. All payment of fees shall be made online at the event website

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional useful information regarding accommodations, travel, equipment services and area recreation are available at [www.cork.org](http://www.cork.org) , or contact the CORK office [sail@cork.org](mailto:sail@cork.org) or +1 613 545 1322.

Event Co-Chairs: Tim Irwin & Kim Garrett

Protest committee chair: Pat Healy

Race Officer: Bill Visser

Class Rep: Steve Chapman

Charter boats may be available: [Yachtsoring.com](http://Yachtsoring.com)

Canadian Prescriptions can be found at

[http://www.sailing.ca/files/RRS\\_2017\\_2020\\_Sail\\_Canada\\_Prescription\\_Final\\_EN.pdf](http://www.sailing.ca/files/RRS_2017_2020_Sail_Canada_Prescription_Final_EN.pdf)