



Royal Vancouver Yacht Club

Standard Safety Plan

September 15, 2024

This plan is to be communicated and distributed to all Regatta or Event Officials ashore and afloat, as well as to all management staff and boat skippers.

In the event of an emergency

General Information

1. On the water, the **race officer** on the race committee signal boat for the course is **in charge of coordinating all water rescue/emergency operations**, and the RVYC front desk staff will take over once the victim is put ashore.
2. If there is a **seriously injured person** on the water, call the Coast Guard on VHF 16.
3. For a mark-set boat, the **paid employee** of the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club is in charge.
4. If shore transfer is necessary, all vessels should transfer victims at **the Blue Peter dock**, beside the west crane at the Jericho dry dock in the southwest corner of the marina.

Victims should not be transferred to any other location.

5. We are located at:

Royal Vancouver Yacht Club
3811 Point Grey Road
Phone: (604) 224-1344

One block west of Alma Street
at the north end of Highbury Street

Emergency Procedure

1. **Immediately notify the race officer** on the race committee signal boat (if on shore, the RVYC front desk staff) of the emergency. Be clear in explaining the nature of the emergency, including injuries, damage and equipment failure.
2. No races will be started until the emergency is cleared. If necessary, races will be abandoned to ensure the safety of the competitors.
3. The race officer will make the decision to call **Coast Guard** or **emergency services** where necessary and will call the RVYC front desk staff to notify them. If the emergency is life threatening and time is of the essence, call the Coast Guard on VHF 16 yourself and then notify the race officer.
4. Any victims needing to be brought ashore will be moved by the rescue or mark-set boat **to the Blue Peter dock**. The front desk will ensure that Emergency Services (call 911) is called and will direct them to the marina on arrival.
5. **All victims brought ashore are to be seen** by emergency services staff before being released.
6. The front desk staff will do their utmost to ensure that emergency contacts are notified and told where the victim has been taken.
7. The Sailing Director and General Manager should be contacted as soon as is practicable after the necessary communications have been made to the race officer, front desk staff and emergency services.

Important Contact Information

<p>Vancouver Emergency Services (Ambulance, Police, Fire) Phone: 911</p>	<p>Canadian Coast Guard VHF 16 Phone: *16 (via cellphone)</p>
<p>Sea and Land Coordination for Emergencies 1.800.567.5111</p>	<p>RVYC Reception Desk (604) 224-1344 General Manager: Jeff Merrin Sailing Director: Aubrey Mayer (604) 374-3074</p>

RVYC Jericho Marina Defibrillator Kits

<p>Philips HS1 (Heartstart 1) – provides automated verbal instructions for use by novices. Contained in a red case.</p> <p>a) One unit is located in the First Aid room in the Dry Dock building at the head of the main ramp to the Jericho marina.</p> <p>b) One unit is located on Blue Peter, RVYC's race committee signal boat.</p> <p>c) One unit is located at the RVYC Front Desk in the main clubhouse</p>	<p>HS 1 Operational Method:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - open red case and remove HS1 defib device and battery - insert battery into HS1 defib device - press green button on HS1 to initiate device and start verbal instructions re setup - follow the HS1 verbal instructions for the various steps required with the victim - only after all steps have been completed is the red button with the lightning bolt pressed to initiate defibrillation - repeat defibrillation as necessary
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Each HS1 defib kit may contain up to 3-4 charges before the battery is fully exhausted.
Report any HS1 usage to the RVYC General Manager so a new battery can be ordered.

First Aid Kit Locations

- Dock Office (NW corner of Dry Dock)
- First Aid room in Dry Dock Building
- EBF Building (dinghy dock building)
- Aboard signal boat Blue Peter

Call Jericho Dock (604) 224-1033