



Information Bulletin 1

VICTORIA START VENUE INFORMATION

Preliminary Information:

This Information Bulletin provides preliminary information to boats, crews, family, friends and supporters who are making plans for the 2018 Vic-Maui start in Victoria. Updated information will be published when available, through the website at www.vicmaui.org, the Shackles and Cotterpins email newsletter (subscribe at www.vicmaui.org/subscribe), and by updates to Information Bulletin 1 at www.vicmaui.org/victoria-bc.

The Greater Victoria Harbour Authority welcomes the 2018 Vic-Maui fleet and invites competitors, family and friends to explore and enjoy Victoria's Harbour.

Victoria Harbour and the Wharf Street Floats:



Victoria has extensive harbour facilities including a naturally protected Inner Harbour. The 2018 Vic-Maui fleet will moor in Victoria's Inner Harbour at the Wharf Street Floats, adjacent to the Seaplane Terminal. [See a map here.](#)

"Victoria Harbour is the jewel of Vancouver Island. Lands surrounding the picturesque deep-sea harbour were a traditional winter home for First Nations peoples for thousands of years. When European explorers arrived, the harbour was chosen by the Hudson Bay Company as its Pacific Northwest base, and Fort Victoria was born."

Victoria Suppliers & Accommodations:

Victoria is a provincial capital city and has a vibrant marine industry with many local suppliers. Vic-Maui recommends these accommodations providers to competitors, families and friends:



Please see the Victoria-BC section of the Vic-Maui website at www.vicmaui.org/victoria-bc for the most up-to-date information.



Victoria Start Venue – High Level Schedule:

All times PDT.

<u>Thursday June 28</u>		
12 noon		Vic-Maui fleet area opens at Wharf Street Floats
2:00 pm		Vic-Maui race office and concierge open
<u>Friday June 29</u>		
12 noon		Deadline for competitor boats to be moored at Wharf Street Floats
4:00 pm		Deadline for competitor boats to be checked in with race office
3:00 pm	5:30 pm	Vic-Maui send-off party (dock access restricted, tickets required)
6:00 pm	late	This evening is reserved for team private functions
<u>Saturday June 30</u>		
10:00 am	12 noon	Vic-Maui open house (public welcome)
4:00 pm	5:00 pm	Skippers meeting
<u>Sunday July 1</u>		
8:00 am	9:00 am	Boats leave for the start area (off Brotchie Ledge)
10:00 am		Race starts
11:30 am		Vic-Maui fleet area closes at Wharf Street Floats

Competitor boats:

It is *recommended* that competitor boats arrive on Thursday June 28, and it is *required* by the Notice of Race that competitor boats arrive by 1200PDT on Friday June 29. This facilitates check-in, safety consultation sign-off, race communications, confirmation of boat and crew information, and other pre-start events and preparations.

Designated spectator boats:

Some spectator boats are arranged by the committee, while other spectator boats are arranged by the competitors and, after approval, are designated by the committee. Each competing boat normally invites one spectator boat. Designated spectator boats moor alongside the Vic-Maui fleet during the pre-start preparations, and take family, friends & supporters to see the start outside Victoria Harbour. Spectator boats may be sail or power, and each receives a spectator boat battle flag.

It is recommended that designated spectator boats arrive in Victoria on the same schedule as their respective competitor boats.



Sponsors:

Sponsors boats may be moored with the Vic-Maui fleet and sponsors may be participating in various Vic-Maui events in Victoria.

Moorage Reservations:

Vic-Maui has a special event moorage reservation with the Greater Victoria Harbour Authority (GVHA). Vic-Maui competitor boats, designated spectator boats, sponsor boats, and official boats should not make separate moorage reservations with the GVHA.

Vic-Maui provides moorage at no charge for competitor boats for the two nights prior to their respective start dates. Competitor boats, designated spectator boats, sponsor boats, and official boats make moorage reservations in advance through Vic-Maui.

Vic-Maui moorage reservations will be available starting May 31 at www.vicmaui.org/victoria-moorage

Send-off Party:

A send-off party will be held from 3:00-5:30 pm on Friday June 29. Competitors, families, friends, and supporters are all welcome. Tickets are provided for competitors. There will be a modest charge for additional tickets for family, friends & supporters.

Evenings Reserved for Team Private Functions:

In order to allow teams to plan their own private team functions, no official functions will be scheduled for the evening of Friday June 29.

Vic-Maui Open House:

Vic-Maui will have an open house for the public to view the fleet and preparations from 10:00 am to noon on Saturday June 30.

Skippers Meetings:

A Skippers meeting will be held at 4:00 pm on Saturday June 30. Attendance will be mandatory for the Skipper and one other crew member. Details for the Skippers meeting will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.