



**NYC Wednesday Night Racing Program 2015  
10 June – 30 September 2015**

**Organizing Authority / Northern Yacht Club  
Sanctioned by / Northern Yacht Club  
North Sydney / Nova Scotia / Canada**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

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**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The series races will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2013 - 2016.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Sail Canada will apply.
- 1.3 If there is any conflict between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI), the SI shall prevail over the NOR.
- 1.4 Container, ferry and cruise ship traffic have right of way. Any boat that interferes and found guilty, as noted in Sailing Instruction (SI) 12.3 could be assessed a disqualification. (DSQ)

**2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the notice board located upstairs.

**3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Written changes to the SI will be posted on the notice board 45 minutes prior to the warning signal.

**4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the upper deck at the club.
- 4.2 When Code Flag "Y" is displayed ashore, Rule 40 applies at all times while afloat.
- 4.2 Code Flag "B" with a sound will be displayed after the last boat finishes, indicating the Protest time for submissions has started. Flag "B" will remain flying for 30 minutes. After this time the Protest time for submissions has elapsed and flag "B" will be hauled down.
- 4.3 Code Flag "L" flying from the upper deck flag pole indicates a change has been made to these SI's.

**5 SCHEDULE**

Races will be held between June 10th and September 30th.

**6 STARTS AND CLASSES**

- 6.1 One class shall be started
- 6.2 The warning signal for Wednesdays during the summer series will be approximately 1755 and for the fall series 1740 hrs.

## 7 **RACING AREA, COURSES AND MARKS**

7.1 Racing will take place in the North West Arm.

7.2 The course to be sailed shall be posted on the notice board, either by course number or by listing the order and direction in which the marks are to be rounded.

Windward / Leeward (W / L)    Olympic (O)

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|-------------------|----------|-----------------|---------------|
| 7.3 Summer Series | 1.       | JUN 10th        | W / L         |
|                   | 2.       | JUN 17th        | O             |
|                   | 3.       | JUN 24th        | W / L         |
|                   | 4. 5. 6. | JUN 26th - 28th | O - W / L - O |
|                   | 7. 8.    | JUL 4th         | W / L - O     |

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| Fall series | 1.    | AUG 26th        | O         |
|             | 2.    | SEP 2nd         | W / L     |
|             | 3.    | SEP 9th         | O         |
|             | 4.    | SEP 16th        | W / L     |
|             | 5. 6. | SEP 19th - 20th | O - W / L |
|             | 7.    | SEP 23rd        | W / L     |
|             | 8.    | SEP 30th        | O         |

7.4 Failure on the part of competitors to be aware of the course to be sailed shall not be grounds for redress.

7.5 Marks may be either fixed or specially laid. Fixed marks are aids to navigation. Laid marks, are generally orange or yellow tetrahedral.

## 8 **THE START**

8.1 Races shall be started by using Rule 26.

8.2 The starting line will be a line formed by the flag pole on the upper deck and the yellow mark 300 yds off the cason.

8.3 A boat starting later than ten minutes after her starting signal shall be scored DNS.

## 9 **THE FINISH**

The finish line shall be the same as the start line as defined in Instruction 8, unless shortened. (see Instruction 10).

## 10 **SHORTENED COURSES**

Courses may be shortened at any mark of the course. The finish line shall then be between the mark indicated and a nearby RC boat displaying flag, "S" or the clubhouse finish position.

## 11 **TIME LIMIT**

The time limit is one hour after the first boat finishes. Boats not finishing within this time shall be scored a DNF. This changes Rule 35.

## **12 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 12.1 Protest Forms shall be available in the office. Protests shall be filed within 30 minutes of the last boat's arrival at dock. Completed protest forms shall be delivered to the Race Chair.
- 12.2 Protests shall be heard if time available on the night in question.
- 12.3 Boats in the vicinity of Marine Atlantic Ferries, Cruise Ships or Commercial ships shall not impede their passage by steering a course converging or one that could cross ahead. Any interference reported will be interpreted as a serious breach of these instructions and a penalty could be assessed, up to DSQ.
- 12.4 If a hearing involving potential prize-winners is not decided by 2100 hours, then the results will not be made public till the next race.

## **13 SCORING**

- 13.1 The series and overall results will be scored under the low point scoring system.
- 13.2 Each series will be scored with two drops.
- 13.3 Season champion will be scored based on the combined two series.
- 13.4 Boats retiring from a race shall be scored DNF. Such boats shall notify the RC as soon as possible on VHF Ch #68.

## **14 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 14.1 Broadcasts to all competitors will be attempted by VHF radio Ch#68. Such broadcasts will include notification of boats that are OCS, race abandonment or the RC's intention to shortened course. Failure to hear such broadcasts shall not be grounds for protest or redress.
- 14.2 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 electronic positioning fixing and recording instruments.

## **15 TRASH DISPOSAL**

RRS #55.

## **16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the Series entirely at their own risk (RRS 4, Decision to Race). The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the Series.