

NORTHERN YACHT CLUB

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

RACE : NYC REGATTA - August 24, 25, 26, 2018

1. **RULES:**

- 1.1 This race(s) will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (2017-2020)*, the prescriptions of Sail Canada, and the rules of the Sail Nova Scotia PHRF fleet, any other applicable class association, and these Sailing Instructions.

2. **ELIGIBILITY:**

- 2.1 Monohull yachts over 20 feet.

3. **REGISTRATION:**

- 3.1 All entrants shall complete an entry form for the race series as provided at the Northern Yacht Club.

4. **NOTICE TO COMPETITORS:**

- 4.1 Shall be posted on the official bulletin boards for the race at the NYC.

5. **CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 5.1 Any changes in the Sailing Instructions will be posted a minimum of one hour before the start of the race.

6. **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE AND AFLOAT:**

- 6.1 Signals made afloat will be displayed from the portable flag masts displayed approximately mid-ships from the committee boat where applicable. Signals made ashore shall be displayed from the official flag mast on the upper deck of the NYC.
- 6.2 Code flag "L" on shore means a notice to competitors has been posted.
- 6.3 Code flags are the only official means of signaling and they take precedence over sound signals. Sound signals are for convenience only.
- 6.4 When Code flag "Y" is displayed, Rule 40 is in effect. When code flag "Y" is displayed ashore, Rule 40 applies at all times when afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

7. **SCHEDULE OF RACES, CLASSES:**

- 7.1 Date of Races: August 24, 25, 26, 2016

•Classes will be announced at the Skippers' meeting.

8. **COURSES:**

- 8.1 Courses will be set at the Skippers' meeting.

9. **MARKS:**

•Marks will be set by the race committee and given with the courses at the Skippers' meeting.

10. **CHECK-IN, SAIL NUMBERS:**

•Boats are required to check in with the Race Committee 10 minutes prior to the first warning signal each day by sailing astern of the Race Committee boat while on starboard tack for confirmation of its sail number and class. Or by checking in with the Race Committee on VHF Ch 68 if no Committee Boat is in place.

11. CLASS FLAGS:

11.1 For non-class races, the class flag shall be a solid blue flag.

11.2 For class races, if applicable, the following class flags shall apply:

Class 'A' - solid Yellow flag
Class 'B' - solid Blue flag

12. THE START:

•Races will be started by using Rule 26.

•For class races, if applicable, the warning signal for Class B will be given approximately 2 minutes after the starting signal for Class A.

13. STARTING LINE:

13.1 Starting Line will be set at the Skippers' meeting.

13.2 Starting Area: To ensure the safety of both yachts and Jr Sailors, a starting/racing zone has been issued. As per the below diagram, the yachts will start and remain out of the marked Jr Sail area. These markers will be discussed at the time of each skippers meeting. Both parties must refrain from entering each other's areas at any time.

14. FINISHING LINE:

14.1 As per the Start Line.

14.2 Finishing Area: To ensure the safety of both yacht and Jr Sailors, a starting/racing zone has been issued. As per the below diagram, the yachts will finish and remain out of the marked Jr Sail area. These markers will be discussed at the time of each skippers meeting. Both parties must refrain from entering each other's areas at any time.



15. HANDICAPS, SCORING:

15.1 Sail Nova Scotia PHRF handicap system (ratings) will be used at the discretion of the Race Committee and shall be the current ratings as published on the Sail Nova Scotia web site .

15.2 The low point scoring system as per Appendix 'A' will be used to compute the overall winner of a race series.

16. TIME LIMIT:

16.1 A boat must have completed the course one hour after the third boat has finished the course.

17. **PROTEST AND APPEAL:**

17.1 Protest forms shall be made available by the Race Committee. Protests must be lodged with the Race Committee within 1/2 hour of the last competing boat's arrival at the dock.

18. **LIABILITY AND INSURANCE:**

18.1 When filling out the Race Entry Form, each boat owner must declare that at least \$2,000,000.00 public liability insurance is in full effect on his/her yacht and that this liability insurance includes racing activities.

18.2 The Organizing Committee, the Northern Yacht Club, its officers, members, and volunteers do not accept liability for loss of life or property, personal injury, or damage caused by or arising out of this event for any reason whatsoever.

22. **START TIMES & SKIPPERS' MEETINGS:**

22.1 Tentative times for the Skippers' meetings and the Race Starts are as follows:

August 24, 2018:	-	Skippers' Meeting: 1730H Race Start: 1800H
August 25, 2018:	-	Skippers' Meeting: 1200H Race Start: 1300H
August 26, 2018:	-	Skippers' Meeting: 1200H Race Start: 1300H

**Northern Yacht Club
Race Committee**