# **Notice of Race - Tuesday Series/Weekend Series**

## 1. RULES

- **1.1.** The regatta will be governed the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- **1.2.** Each boat shall have a valid PHRF-LO certificate.

#### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all classes of boats and to all members of NBYC.
- **2.2.** Eligible boats may enter by completing a registration form and sending it, together with the required fee to the race commodore prior to racing.

#### 3. CLASSIFICATION

**3.1.** Fleets will be decided based on entries in the series. A minimum of 3 boats are required in a series to create a fleet. Typically there are two fleets: White sail and Flying sail, but additional fleets may be added.

## 4. FEES

**4.1.** Series fees are to be paid prior to the first race. If paying per race, the fee will be paid before each race.

Tuesday and Weekend Series \$115 includes HST
Optional per race fee \$10/race includes HST

## 5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1. Registration: May 10, 2021 at Launch
- **5.2.** Tuesday series race dates: Tuesday evenings, May 21 to Sept 03.
- 5.3. Weekend series race dates: Friday, Jun 21 Overnight Race, Monday July 1 Canada Day Race, Saturday July 27 Long Distance Race, Saturday August 17 O'Shea Race, Saturday Sept 7 and Sunday September 8 Fall Regatta, Saturday Sept 21 Frostbite Long Distance race.

## **6.** SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**6.1.** The sailing instructions will be available at registration and will be posted on the racing board on the lower floor of the clubhouse after registration.

## 7. VENUE

7.1. Races will be sailed within Callander Bay.

### 8. COURSES

**8.1.** Courses are attached to the sailing instructions. The dates for each course is posted in the booklet.

## 9. PRIZES

**9.1.** Prizes will be given to the  $1^{st}$ ,  $2^{nd}$  and  $3^{rd}$  places in each fleet. The winner of each fleet and the overall winner will be added to the club trophies. Prizes will be announced at the NBYC closing party.

## **10.** DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

**10.1.** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See 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 regatta.

# **Sailing Instructions - Tuesday Series**

## 1. RULES

- **1.1.** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. Rules and requirements of PHRF-LO will apply.
- **1.3.** All boats are to be equipped and operated according to the Canadian Coast Guard Safe Boating Guide.
- **1.4.** Competitors must at all times behave with common courtesy and civility, and refrain from the use of abusive, rude, threatening or crude language towards other competitors.
- **1.5.** If there are any discrepancies between the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions shall govern.

## 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

**2.1.** Notices to competitors will be posted on the racing board in the lower level of the NBYC clubhouse.

## 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- **3.1.** Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted 24 hours prior to the next race.
- **3.2.** Changes to the schedule of races will be emailed to competitors with the email addresses provided and posted on the racing board.

## 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

**4.1.** A skippers meeting will be held at 17:50 before each race on the point. Postponement, abandonment or changes to the race will be made at this meeting.

## **5.** SCHEDULE OF RACES

**5.1.** Races are scheduled on Tuesdays beginning May 21 and ending Sept 03.

## **6.** COURSES

- **6.1.** Courses to be sailed it this series are attached at the end of these instructions. The course for each race is posted in the club booklet.
- **6.2.** The course number will be selected by the race committee depending on the wind direction. Course numbers will be displayed by holding a card with the course number prior to the race start.
- **6.3.** Course changes can be made by the race committee up to the 5 minute signal. This will be announced to the fleet by displaying flag C and the number for the revised course (changes to rule 27.1)
- **6.4.** Courses may be shortened to any mark on the course by the Race Committee by displaying flag S with two sounds in accordance with rule 32.

## 7. MARKS

**7.1.** A map showing the mark locations is included at the end of these instructions.

## 8. THE START

**8.1.** Races will be started using the following sequence (changes to rule 26):

18:20 YELLOW Flag and Horn 10 minute warning for White Sails

18: 25 BLUE Flag and Horn 5 minute warning for White Sails

Yellow Flag lowered

18:29 Blue flag lowered

18: 30 RED Flag and Horn START SIGNAL YELLOW Flag 10 minute warning for Flying Sails

18:35 BLUE Flag and Horn 5 minute warning for Flying Sails.

Yellow Flag lowered

18:39 Blue Flag Lowered

18:40 RED Flag and Horn START SIGNAL

- **8.2.** The starting line will be between the mast of the start boat and the starting mark.
- **8.3.** The I Flag Rule applies to all races. The flag is not required to be displayed (changes to rule 30.1).
- **8.4.** Individual and General recalls shall be made by the Race Committee in accordance with Rule 29. The Race Committee may, but is not required to, announce the boats being recalled over VHF.
- **8.5.** When the start is downwind, spinnakers shall not be raised until the entire boat is clear of the start line.

## 9. THE FINISH

- **9.1.** The finishing line will be between the mast of the start boat and the finishing mark.
- **9.2.** If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **10.** TIME LIMITS

- **10.1.** If no boat has passed the first mark within 30 minutes of the start, the race will be shortened to the first mark.
- **10.2.** If the first boat has not finished in 2 hours the race will be discarded. After August 1<sup>st</sup>, if the first boat has not finished in 1 hour and 40 minutes, the race will be discarded.
- 10.3. The time limit for all boats will be 2.5 hours from their fleet start. After August  $1^{st}$ , the time limit will be 2 hours from their fleet start.

## 11. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- **11.1.** Protest forms are available from the race commodore, or from the racing board.
- **11.2.** Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the race commodore or his delegate within the appropriate time limit.

## 12. SCORING

- **12.1.** Scoring of each race will be completed as soon as possible following the race. Official and unofficial results will be posted to the website.
- **12.2.** 25% of races started will be discarded, rounded to the nearest race.
- **12.3.** All boats registered will be scored whether they race or not.
- **12.4.** Boats that do not finish will receive a score of the number of boats started +1.

**12.5.** Boats that do not start or compete will receive a score of the number of boats registered +1

## **13.** SAFETY

**13.1.** The Racing Commodore or Race Committee can display flag Y indicating personal flotation devices must be worn (rule 40).

## **14.** BOAT STATUS/OWNERSHIP

- **14.1.** Change of status from one fleet to another is allowed with 1 week notification to a maximum of twice during a series.
- **14.2.** If an owner changes boats during the season, points for each boat will be considered separately except when the boat is of the same make and model.

## **15.** RADIO COMMUNICATION

- **15.1.** Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- **15.2.** The Race Committee will use Channel 69 for all communication with the fleet(s).

# **NBYC Race Committee 2021 Sailing Instructions**

#### **RULES:**

Series and regattas will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), latest version and by the N.B.Y.C. Sailing Instructions.

The Rules and Requirements of PHRF-LO will apply.

Any boat racing in any race must be entered by completing a registration Form and payment to the racing committee. Failure to comply with the registration process will lead to an automatic disqualification.

The Race Committee requires that all participants are familiar with and obey the Rules of Racing 2021-2024 and that all boats are equipped and operated according to the Canadian Coast Guard Safe Boating Guide.

Competitors must at all times behave with common courtesy and civility, and refrain from the use of abusive, rude, threatening or crude language towards other competitors. If a competitor feels that an infraction of the rules has occurred by another competitor, then the protest procedures under Rule 61 should be followed. "Competitor" is as defined in Rule 69.1(a).

If there are discrepancies between the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions shall govern.

#### SAFETY:

If the race committee hosting an event decide due to weather or if the starter boat displays the flag "Y" (diagonal stripes of red and yellow) then PFDs are to be worn by all crewmembers. Failure to comply with this rule will result in disqualification. If a race is run at night, it will be mandatory that PFDs be worn by all crewmembers.

All skippers that race will be required to sign a Boat Registration and Disclaimer form (appendix) accepting responsibility for their actions and safety; and their crews' actions and safety.

#### **NOTICE TO COMPETITORS:**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the racing bulletin board and on the website where applicable.

## **CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the racing bulletin board before 09:00 on the day it will take effect, except that any changes to the schedule of races will be posted by 18:00 on the day before it will take place. Course related changes, typically related to weather conditions, may be made at skippers meetings.

#### **SCHEDULE:**

Tuesday Series races are scheduled as shown in the North Bay Yacht Club handbook.

Weekend Series and long distance races will be run as stated in 5.3 of the racing instructions.

#### FLEETS:

## **Tuesday Series:**

Racing results will be based on Flying Sail (A Series) and Non-Flying Sail (B Series) fleets.

#### **Weekend Series:**

Deadline for registration for each race is 7:00 p.m. the Thursday before the scheduled race.

Fleets will be decided based on entries in the series. Results will be based on the same fleets as the Tuesday Series if applicable. A minimum of three boats total are required for a race to be sanctioned. Members are permitted to compete in any fleet and may change fleets prior to the race, and must notify the Race Committee at the skippers meeting, PHRF will change accordingly.

#### Canada Day Regatta:

Held on July  $\mathbf{1}_{st}$ , there are four (4) fleets: mono-hull flying, mono-hull non-flying, dingy, and Multi-hull. There will be an overall trophy for all fleets.

#### Fall Regatta:

Dates will be posted in the club booklet and website. This is an open regatta. It will consist of four (4) races in total of which the best three will count. There will be flying, non-flying and an overall scored. The morning races will start at 1000 hours and the afternoon races are to be determined, usually 1300 hours.

## **BOAT STATUS/OWNERSHIP:**

Change of status from Flying Sail (FS) to Non- Flying Sail (NFS) designation is allowed in the Tuesday Series and Weekend Series with 1 week notification to a maximum of twice during a calendar year.

If an owner changes boats during the season, points for each boat will be considered separately, except when the boat is of the same make and model.

#### SCORING:

All boats registered will be scored whether they race or not.

Finishing times will be taken in all races that have started regardless of occurrences during the race.

The Olympic Low Point scoring system will be used for all series and regattas.

1st place 1 point 2nd place 2 points 3rd place 3 points

4th place 4 points

5th place 5 points

6th place 6 points

Each place thereafter add 1 point

Boats that do not finish a race will score points for the finishing place one more than the number boats that start the race.

Boats that did not start the race will be scored points for the finishing place two more than the number of boats entered in the series.

All ties will be broken by the rules as stated in the RRS.

Tuesday Series: 25% of races started will be discards, rounded to the nearest race. Weekend Series: 35% of races started will be discards, rounded to the nearest race.

#### **COURSES:**

Courses for both Bay and Long Distance races are posted on the club website. Specific race courses for the Tuesday Series are available in the club booklet. The course will be decided upon at the skippers meeting in an effort to take advantage of wind and weather conditions.

**Tuesday Series** races will take place in Callander Bay as in previous years. Starts will, with the exception of the Windward-Leeward course, take place at the center buoy.

**Weekend Series** races will start and finish at the point off the club breakwater. Courses will be decided on the morning of the race and be discussed at the skippers meeting.

The Starter will display a card indicating the race course up until the first flag and horn (-10 minutes) and will announce the course number over the VHF. Courses may be changed up until the 5 minute horn and flag. Changes will be announced over the VHF and a new starting time given.

#### **SHORTENED COURSE:**

For Tuesday Series races, if the first boat of each fleet has not reached the first mark within 30 minutes of the start (19:00), the race course will be shortened to the first mark. If the wind drops during the race the Starter will shorten the race to the first mark beyond the leading boat. The Starter will notify the fleet of a shortened course over VHF Channel 69.

A shortened course in the Weekend Series will be established at the skippers meeting.

#### **BUOY ROUNDING:**

Should a boat hit a buoy during a rounding, then the penalty can be nullified by completing a 1 turn penalty encompassing 1 tack and 1 jibe when sufficiently clear of other boats so as not to interfere with their course. This must be done as soon as possible after hitting the mark.

#### COMMUNICATION:

All race related communications will be carried on VHF channel 69.

#### THE START:

The start line for the **Tuesday Series** and **Fall Series** will be between the starter's boat and a floating start mark. Course changes can be made by the race committee up to the 5 minute signal as directed in the Racing Rules of Sailing. This will be announced to the fleet over VHF and by displaying the number for the revised course. It is each individual skipper's responsibility to ensure that he/she is aware of the correct course being sailed before the first flag. **Weekend Races** will start off the point and proceed to Mark 3 before continuing with a regular course similar to those for the Bay Races.

## Over early:

Individual skippers have a responsibility to determine whether they are over early and if so to take appropriate corrective action. The Starter will also advise of any boat being over early by one horn sounding and two horn soundings for the entire fleet and will also advise over the VHF radio.

## Start Line:

The start line for the Weekend Series is between the NBYC navigation light and the cottage flag pole on the south end of Sunset Cove.

The 2 turns rule (2 tacks and 2 jibes) does not apply until the race has started (i.e., the 5 minute horn has sounded). However, to nullify an infraction, the offending boat must clear the start line.

A one minute rule will apply to starts, in which a boat may not come across the start line for the minute prior to the start. A boat infringing this rule in the Tuesday Series must go around the end marker or the starter's boat and re-cross the start line. For the Weekend Series, the Starting Line is between the NBYC navigation light and the cottage flag pole. With early over line or one minute violations, the offending boat must wait till all boats clear the line before returning to the start side of the line. The offending boat must stay clear of all boats while returning to the start line.

A boat shall not start later than 10 minutes after the starting signal.

Downwind starts for all races allow flying sails to be raised only after completely crossing the start line (entire boat clear of line).

#### **STARTING TIMES:**

## Tuesday Series races - 2 separate 5 minute starts (rolling):

17:50 Skippers meeting

18:20 Class flag up (-5 minutes) – short signal

18:21 Red Up (-4 minutes) – short signal

18:24 Red Down (-1 minute) – long signal

18:25 Class flag down (White start) – short signal New Class flag up (-5 minutes)

18:26 Red Up (-4 minutes) – short signal

18:29 Red Down (-1 minute) – long signal

18:30 Class flag down (Flying start) - short signal

#### Weekend Races - single 10 minute start:

18:20 Blue Up (-5 minutes) - short signal

18:21 Red Up (-4 minutes) – short signal

18:24 Red Down (-1 minute) – long signal

18:25 Blue Down (Start) – short signal

#### Fall Regatta:

18:20 Blue Up (-5 minutes) - short signal

18:21 Red Up (-4 minutes) – short signal

18:24 Red Down (-1 minute) – long signal

18:25 Blue Down (Start) – short signal

The afternoon race start time to be determined on race day, usually around 13:00 hrs.

## Canada Day Regatta:

11:00 Registration

12:00 Skippers meeting (At gazebo on the North Bay waterfront)

13:10 Warning Horn and Yellow Flag Non-Flying Sails (-10 minutes) 13:14 Yellow Down

13:15 Warning Horn and Blue Flag Up (-5 minutes)

13:19 Blue Down

13:20 Start Horn and Red Up

## Frostbite Race:

Skippers meeting TBD Start TBD

Start times maybe delayed based on wind (too much or too little) or weather conditions. Every effort will be made to start races according to "GPS" time so that sailors can be prepared to expect the start. If difficulties occur with any timing equipment on the water the race committee will advise the fleet (over VHF on Channel 69) of revised start times.

Commented [MF1]: 1 start if fleet is small

#### FINISH:

The finish line for the Tuesday Series and Fall Regatta will be between the committee boat and the nearby mark. If the weather is bad, the finish line may be set at the entrance of the harbour. Notice will be given of this before the start of the race.

The finish line for the Weekend Series, Canada Day Regatta and Frostbite Race will be between the N.B.Y.C. navigation light and the cottage flag pole to the south end of Sunset Cove, unless changed at the skippers meeting prior to the race start.

#### **RESULTS:**

All race results will be posted on the website as soon as possible. The race committee has the right to post unofficial results pending PHRF handicapping information or protest decisions.

#### RACE CANCELLATION/ABANDONMENT:

Postponement of a race will occur only in case of severe lightning, extreme or lack of wind. The Racing Commodore (or delegate in the absence of the Racing Commodore) will make the necessary determination.

Abandonment after the start of the race will only occur due to obvious danger to boats or crews. Boats will be advised over VHF. The starter boat has full discretion over the decision of whether to abandon a race in progress.

#### TIME LIMITS:

When the Starter boat has left the course all unfinished boats will be scored "did not finish" (DNF). The Starter boat will remain on the course for two and a half hours from the start (21:00) or until all boats have finished, whichever comes first. After August 1st, the time limit for races will be shortened to two hours to allow for shorter daylight times. For the Weekend Series, there are no time limits. Skippers may be asked to keep their own times and report these to the race committee for scoring. Skippers will be advised of this at the skippers meeting.

#### HANDICAPPING:

Performance Handicap Racing Fleet Lake Ontario (PHRF-LO): This system will be used in all scheduled series. Boat handicap numbers and +/-speed potential numbers will be posted in the Club House racing bulletin board. PHRF-LO is a system used to handicap racer/cruiser type of sailboats by observed racing performance (Lake Ontario). Any measurement taken (spinnaker poles, sails, etc.) is used to identify the boat and to quantify any differences or modifications from what is considered standard. Deviations due to sail or power selection are corrected by adjustments to the "standard boat" boat base rating.

A PHRF rating is published as a handicap number or speed potential (sp), given in seconds or minutes per nautical mile of rhumb line race course distance. A rating of 180 sec/mile means that for every rhumb line mile of race course, the constant is given 180 seconds of credit to his/her finish time. If a boat with a rating of 180 sec/mile is racing against a boat with a rating of 174 sec/mile, the net advantage is 180 minus 174 or 6 sec/mile. In a race of one mile rhumb line distance, the presumably slower boat at 180 sec/mile is given 6 seconds of time credit over the boat at 174 sec/mile. This correction method is known as time on distance scoring.

PHRF speed potential numbers are converted to time on time numbers by J. Schneider's simplified conversion chart. (See PHRF-LO manual). A Standard Boat is defined as a boat in top

condition with good equipment, 155% genoa, 180% (sail made after Jan 1, 2006) /183% (sail made before Jan 1, 2006) flying sail, J-distance flying sail attachment point, standard mast, and standard propulsion. Standard equipment shall be what is supplied by the manufacturer.

#### PROTESTS AND PROCEDURES:

The Race Committee wishes to encourage all racers to be familiar with and obey the Rules of Racing 2013-2016. Racers are also encouraged to race with consideration for safety and good sportsmanship. That requires avoiding contact and taking a penalty if one has broken a rule. If you wish to protest a competitor who you believe has broken a rule, be sure to hail "PROTEST" to the offender at the first reasonable opportunity and to display a red flag throughout the race. The race starter will have protest forms available after all races for those who require them. The racing committee member in charge will appoint a protest committee, when necessary, to consider the protest immediately or as soon afterwards as is practical. If a protest hearing cannot be scheduled immediately after the race, the time and location will be posted on the Racing bulletin board.

The protest must be in accordance with rule 60 & 61 of the Racing Rules of Sailing.

Each fleet or division may protest each other.

NOTE: The 720 rule (two complete tacks and jibes without obstructing the course of any boats) nullifies most protests, keeps you in the race and avoids the need for a protest committee and hearing. The penalty turns must be completed as soon as possible after the incident.

There are three forms of protest in sailboat racing:

- 1. Where one competitor protests another competitor.
- 2. Where the protest committee protests a competitor.
- 3. Where the racing committee protests a competitor.

If you are protesting another competitor your protest must be submitted in writing to the competitor by 2 hours after the race. The skipper or delegate of all boats involved in a protest must be present at a protest hearing. If any boat is unrepresented at the hearing, the protest may be discarded.

#### AWARDS:

Awards for the club races will be handed out at the closing party. Awards for the open regattas, Canada Day Regatta and Fall Regatta, will be awarded after each regatta.