



Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron
September 30th, 2017

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 - 20*.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Sail Canada shall apply.
- 1.3 RRS 61.1 is amended to remove the requirement to display a red flag.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors shall be posted on the official notice board located at the entrance to the Ward Room.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions shall be posted before 1000hr on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races shall be posted by 2000hr on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2 Should the progress of the event require changes be made while afloat, the Race Committee shall make an official announcement to all competitors to change an instruction or rule. A change while afloat shall not be grounds protest or redress.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore shall be displayed at the flagpole in front of the RNSYS Clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Racing shall take place on Saturday, September 30th.
- 5.2 The series shall consist of a single round robin consisting of 6 races.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the competitors' meeting shall be 0945hr and the warning signal for the first race shall be 1100hr.

6 CLASS FLAGS

The class flag shall be blue.

7 RACING AREAS

Racing shall take place in the Northwest Arm or Halifax Harbour.

8 THE COURSE

The diagram in Attachment A shows the course, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9 MARKS

9.1 Mark 1 will be a yellow inflatable tetrahedron.

9.2 The start/finish mark will be a yellow inflatable pin.

10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.

10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and the start mark.

10.3 A boat starting later than 2 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

11 THE FINISH

The finishing line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and the finish mark.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty for incidents outside the Zone.

13 TIME LIMITS

13.1	<u>Class</u>	<u>Time limit</u>	<u>Target time</u>
	Club Championship	35 min	20 min

13.2 Boats failing to finish within 5 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and A4.

13.3 If a boat in last place in a race is delaying the start of another race, the race committee may terminate the race and score that boat in the place she would have finished.

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

14.1 A boat protesting does not have to display a red flag. However she/he shall inform the RC at the finish of the race in which the incident occurred.

14.2 Protests shall be handled in a manner similar to arbitration. As soon as is practical after the Signal Boat docks, the Race Officer will meet with the skippers of the boats involved to hear the protest. The meeting will take place on the dock or in the clubhouse. No witnesses shall be allowed. The decision of the Race Officer at this meeting shall be considered the judgement on the protest.

15 SCORING

15.1 The regatta shall consist of a six (6) race round robin.

15.2 Two (2) races for each competitor are required to be completed to constitute a series. This changes NoR 8.

15.3 All races shall count (no drops).

16 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio transmissions not available to all boats. Mobile telephones and other wireless devices shall not be used to obtain information relevant to the race that is not available to all boats.

17 PRIZES

The winner of the series shall be recognized as the 2017 RNSYS Club Champion. To the champion and their crew only, goes use of the Club Champion parking spot by the red bridge, recognition at Awards Night on November 4th and the accolades of the general membership.

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron, the owner, person in charge and each crew member agree: that they understand that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of serious bodily injury (including permanent disability, paralysis and death by drowning or otherwise), property damage and other economic loss; that the safety of the boat and her crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility and at their own risk, see RRS 4 “Decision to Race”; that the Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, sponsors, or agents will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property, or to any participant, including injury or death; and that each of them releases and waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against the Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, sponsors or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity. Assistance, if any, from the race committee or other Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron vessels, or from any personnel manning them, is at the risk of the participant.

19 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact RNSYS Race Director, Luke Porter at (902) 477-5653 ext. 109 or racedirector@rnsys.com or the VC Sailing at vc_sailing@rnsys.com.

ATTACHMENT A – THE COURSE

