

HALIFAX to PETPESWICK SUMMER CLASSIC 2017

SPONSORED BY SHEARWATER AND PETPESWICK YACHT CLUBS

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

July 22 2017

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the Canadian Yachting Association, the most recent NSYA yacht listing of the date of this race, the rules of class racing of one-design fleets, the Notice of Race, and these sailing instructions. For advertising purposes, the Race is designated Class A.

2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

Yachts satisfying RRS Rule 78.1 may be entered by completing registration as specified in the Notice of Race. It is open to all boats that are duly registered and meet equipment, accommodation and measurement requirements.

3. REGISTRATION

All entrants shall complete the NSYA entry form and deliver it to the Race Committee before 10:00 hours on the day of the start.

4. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the lower lounge of the Shearwater Yacht Club.

5. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted a minimum of one hour before the start of the race, except that changes in schedule will be posted by 18:00 on the day before the race.

6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Flag Pole at the SYC Clubhouse or at the PYC Clubhouse.

6.1 Code Flag AP, answering pennant, with two horn sounds, (one horn when lowered) means that the race is postponed; the warning signal will be made not less than one minute after the AP is lowered.

6.2 Code Flag B at the dip with one horn means that Protest time has begun. When lowered half way means there are less than thirty minutes remaining before protest time ends. When lowered, it means that Protest time has ended.

7. SCHEDULES AND CLASSES

The first class will start at 10:30 a.m. The order of starting and/or the number of classes will depend on the number of entries. The actual time and order of start will be announced at the Skipper's meeting.

8. HANDICAPS

Nova Scotia PHRF Ratings, as listed in the current NSYA Yacht List, will be used to correct competitor's times on a time-on-time basis.

8.1 A yacht having no listed PHRF rating shall apply to the Race Committee by no later than 09:00 on the day of the Race. The Race Committee may assign a temporary rating which will only be valid for this one race.

9. COURSE

The course will be announced at the Skippers Meeting

The following navigational buoys shall be left to port;

HP2

10. THE START

The races will be started in accordance with RRS Rule 26, System 2 with starts at five (5) minute intervals. Fleet starting orders will be announced at the skipper’s meeting after registrations allow final determination of classes.

11. STARTING LINE

The start line will be from a fixed transom line aligned from the Upper bar veranda and the lamp post on the NA Jetty. Details of the start line will be determined at the Skippers’ meeting. Races will be conducted IAW Part 3 of RRS.

12. ONE MINUTE RULE

When part of a yacht hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line or its extensions during the period one (1) minute before the starting signal, she shall return to the pre- start side of the starting line across one of its extensions and start.

13. INDIVIDUAL RECALLS

Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS Rule 29.2 by displaying the Code Flag X. The Race Committee may additionally make use of VHF radio, channel 68, to announce recalls.

14. GENERAL RECALL

When there is either a number of unidentified premature starters or an error in starting procedure, the Race Committee may signal a general recall by flying the First Substitute or a recall hand held white shape with a black stripe, and making two sound signals, to put recalled boats to the back of the starting sequence. The Committee may additionally make use of VHF radio, channel 68, to announce recalls.

15. FINISH LINE

The Finish Line will be between Petpeswick Bell, HH2, and a boat anchored to the west of the buoy. All Committee Boats will be monitoring VHF channel 68. The race shall finish at 16:30 hours for all classes.

16. PROTESTS

Protests shall be written on forms available at the Petpeswick Yacht Club bar and lodged with the Race Committee within one and one half (1.5) hours after the last yacht finishes.

17. SCORING

The Low Point System, RRS Appendix A2.2, together with CYA Prescription, will apply.

18. ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

The 720-degree turns penalty of RRS Rule 44 will apply for all classes.

19. SAIL NUMBERS

Correct sail numbers (matching that on the race enrollment sheet) shall be displayed on all sails.

20. SAFETY FORMAT

All yachts shall carry safety equipment to Transport Canada minimum standards and may be subject to inspection by the Race Committee. Failure to carry the prescribed equipment will result in immediate disqualification.

21. WITHDRAWAL OR DISABLEMENT

To prevent needless emergency, yachts shall report withdrawal or disablement to the Race Committee, preferably by VHF, or cell phone (902-469-8590)immediately upon coming ashore.

22. INSURANCE

All yachts are required to carry valid public liability insurance for a minimum of \$1,000,000 and shall produce evidence of coverage if requested by the Race Committee.

23. PETPESWICK INLET

Boats will be available to escort you up Petpeswick Inlet. These boats will be monitoring VHF channel 68.

24. GOOD SAILING AND GOOD LUCK !!

***** COMMUNICATIONS *****

SYC RACE COMMITTEE: VHF Channel 68
PYC RACE COMMITTEE: VHF Channel 68, Mobile _____
CANADIAN COAST GUARD: VHF Channel 16