



# ORC/IRC WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP September 25 – October 3, 2020 Newport, RI, USA

## **NOTICE OF RACE including AMENDMENTS 1 and 2 (in red)**

### **1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY**

The ORC/IRC World Championship is organized by the New York Yacht Club Regatta Association under the authority of US Sailing and under the overall authority of the Offshore Racing Congress (ORC), the Royal Ocean Racing Club (RORC) and World Sailing (WS).

### **2 RULES**

**2.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

**2.2** The following rules will also apply:

- a) IMS Rule
- b) ORC Rating Systems Rule
- c) IRC Rule
- d) WS Offshore Special Regulations – Category 3

**2.3** Only the US Sailing prescriptions listed in Addendum 1 - US Sailing Prescriptions shall apply.

**2.4** ORC Rule 206 and IRC Rules 21.1.5(d) & (e) are changed as follows:

- a) All sails shall have been measured and shall have an ORC measurement stamp. During the pre-race equipment inspection, sails will be marked for the event by stamp, sticker and/or inspector's signature.
- b) Exclusive of storm & heavy weather sails required by the Offshore Special Regulations, a boat shall not carry aboard while *racing* more sails of each type than the numbers defined as follows:

	<b>Class A</b>	<b>Class B</b>	<b>Class C</b>
- Mainsail	1	1	1
- Spare mainsail	1	1	1
- Headsails	7	6	5
- Spinnakers	5	4	4

OR the maximum number of spinnakers on a boat's IRC certificate, whichever is the lesser number.

- c) Mizzen and mizzen staysail, if any, are limited to one for all classes.
- d) The spare mainsail shall have a minimum of one set of reef points. The mainsails may be interchangeable.
- e) The number of sails carried on board may vary from day to day, but shall remain the same for each individual race day, including days with multiple races even in the case of damage to sails. The race day begins when the boat leaves for the race course from its dock or mooring.
- f) Sails damaged during the series may be repaired. Sails beyond repair may be replaced with permission of the Technical Committee

- 2.5** ORC Rule 200.1 and IRC Rule 22.4 are changed as follows:  
The combined weight of all crew members, weighed in at least shorts and a shirt, that are on board while racing shall not be greater than the lesser of:
- the maximum crew weight as defined in ORC 102.1 and 102.2
  - the maximum crew weight printed on the IRC Certificate (Crew Number x 85 kg) and the smaller of the minimum crew weight as defined in ORC 102.3.
- 3 ADVERTISING**
- 3.1** WS Advertising Code will apply. Competitor and boat advertising will be without restriction.
- 3.2** Each boat may be required to display event advertising provided by the Organizing Authority. These items may include:
- Bow stickers which shall be displayed as forward as possible on both sides of the forward most 20% of the hull;
  - Boom stickers which shall be displayed on both sides of the forward most 20% of the mainsail boom;
  - Backstay flag that shall be flown throughout the entire event.
- 3.3** The Organizing Authority may also require the installation, at no cost to competitors, of on-board video cameras, positioning devices, and guest riders whose on-board position restrictions will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.
- 4 ELIGIBILITY AND CLASSES**
- 4.1** Competitors shall comply with the WS Eligibility Code.
- 4.2** The regatta is open to all boats with a **current**, valid ORC International certificate with **7.9 < CDL ≤ 16.4**, and a **current**, valid IRC Endorsed certificate. Any discrepancies in measurements between the ORC International certificate and the IRC Endorsed certificate shall be reviewed by the Technical Review Board. The Technical Review Board will be composed of four members (2 from ORC and 2 from RORC) and either certificate may be adjusted to keep the same measurement data on both certificates.
- 4.3** Classes are defined by the CDL\* and the minimum and maximum number of entries as follows:  
Class A: **16.400 ≥ CDL > 11.590** max. 50 entries (30 from one country)  
Class B: **11.590 ≥ CDL > 9.770** max. 50 entries (30 from one country)  
Class C: **9.770 ≥ CDL > 7.900** max. 50 entries (30 from one country)  
*\*All CDL values are based on the 2020 version of the ORC VPP.*
- 4.4** A World Champion title shall not be assigned to a class if the combined number of boats and countries is less than 14.
- 4.5** If the minimum number of boats in a class is not met, the class may be grouped with another class. In this case, only one Championship title will be assigned to the combined class.
- 4.6** The person who is the owner, or charterer, or borrower of an entered boat shall be a national of the country they are representing. "National" is defined as either the holder of a passport or identity card, or a similar document stating residential status in the country represented.
- 4.7** Classes will have separate starts and separate results.
- 4.8** Eligible boats may register by completing the online registration form on the event site and emailing a copy of their current, valid ORC International and IRC Endorsed certificate to [sailingoffice@nyyc.org](mailto:sailingoffice@nyyc.org). Entries must be received by September 10, 2020.
- 4.9** An entry is considered complete if the following documents are received:
- Completed online entry form
  - Current ORC International and IRC Endorsed certificate.
  - Entry fee payment confirmation
- 4.10** 50 boats in total will be accepted into each class. After the first 30 boats have entered a class, the OA reserves the right to establish a waitlist. If the number of waitlisted boats in any class is less than 20 on July 1, 2020, all will be accepted into the regatta.
- 4.11** If more than 20 boats are on the waitlist, the final entries will be determined by the organizer's discretion in agreement with the ORC and RORC using the following criteria:
- international representation of the fleet;
  - racing record of the boat and skipper, particularly in previous ORC Championships;
  - chronological order in which boats are pre-registered.
- 4.12** All waitlisted boats will be informed of their entry status no later than August 1, 2020.
- 4.13** Late entries will be accepted until the maximum number of entries as defined in NOR 4.3 has been reached. No entries will be accepted later than September 10, 2020 unless approved by the OA.

## **5 FEES**

- 5.1** The entry fee of shall be paid with the online entry form. The entry fees are as follows:  
Class A \$1800  
Class B \$1500  
Class C \$1200
- 5.2** The organizer is not responsible for any costs incurred by the non-acceptance of a boat's registration.
- 5.3** Late entries may be accepted as stated in 4.13. Any entry accepted after July 2, 2020 will incur a \$250 late fee.
- 5.4** Dockage is not included in the fee and is the responsibility of the competitor. Dockage options can be found on the event website.

## **6 ADDITIONAL DIVISIONS**

- 6.1** Corinthian Division:
- a) For the Corinthian Division, the WS Sailor Classification Code, Regulation 22 shall apply and all crew shall hold a valid Group 1 classification. Unclassified sailors will be deemed to be Group 3. A boat entered in the Corinthian Division shall also be entered automatically in the Open Division and shall be eligible for prizes and trophies in both divisions. Details of the WS Sailor Classification Code and information on how to apply can be found on the WS website:  
<https://members.sailing.org/classification/>.
  - b) The closing date for the receipt of valid Corinthian entries shall be September 17, 2020. Each entry shall include a complete crew list and show the classification and WS Sailor ID for each crew. All crew shall hold valid classifications prior to this date that do not expire until after the final day of the regatta. Late entries and incomplete entries cannot be considered for this division.
  - c) Should a boat whose Corinthian entry has been checked and accepted need to change a crew member between the closing date of the entry and the start of the regatta, the name of the new crew member, including a valid WS Sailor ID, must be submitted to the Organizing Authority for their approval [and for the approval of the International Jury]. All crew lists will be posted on the Official Notice Board or website as soon as possible after the registration deadline.
  - d) A representative of the WS Sailor Classification Commission will be present during registration and will carry out spot checks. Competitors shall attend interviews with the Commission when requested to do so. Competitors are reminded that the Commission has the power to change a classification at the event with no prior notice. Any changes are effective immediately.
- 6.2** Pre-2010 Division:
- a) For the Pre-2010 Division, any boat with an age date prior to 1/1/2010 listed on their ORC and IRC certificates will be automatically entered into the Pre-2010 Division in the class they are sailing in.

## **7 REGISTRATION**

- 7.1** A representative from each boat shall appear at registration during the times listed in the schedule.
- 7.2** The following documents shall be presented at registration:
- a) Valid ORC International and IRC Endorsed certificates issued before September 18, 2020;
  - b) Valid third-party insurance in accordance with NOR 19;
  - c) If advertising is displayed, a respective National Authority permission;
  - d) Crew list(s) with name, surname, WS Sailors Classification Code and WS Sailor ID;
  - e) Name of contact person (or people) along with phone number(s) for on land and on water; This changes RRS 78.2.
- 7.3** All competitors shall complete the online Liability & Media Waiver form in accordance with NOR 16.2 before racing.
- 7.4** No changes shall be made on ORC International or IRC Endorsed certificates after September 18, 2020 unless prescribed and approved by the Technical Committee before or during the pre-race equipment inspection, and before the start of the first race.
- 7.5** Crew lists may be amended until 1900 on September 27, 2020 by submitting a new form showing the changes. After this time, changes in crew may be made only with the written permission of the International Jury that may delegate this responsibility to the race committee.
- 7.6** The time limit for a protest by a boat regarding the WS's Sailors Classification Code is 2000 on September 29, 2020. This changes RRS 61.3.

## **8 SCHEDULE AND FORMAT**

- 8.1** Friday, September 25 Registration and measurement  
Saturday, September 26 Registration and measurement  
Sunday, September 27 Registration and measurement, Practice Race, Opening Ceremony  
Monday, September 28 Long Offshore Race  
Tuesday, September 29 Long Offshore Race (continued)  
Wednesday, September 30 Inshore Race Day 1  
Thursday, October 1 Inshore Race Day 2  
Friday, October 2 Short Offshore Race  
Saturday, October 3 Inshore Race Day 3, Closing Ceremony
- 8.2** Eight races are scheduled including two offshore races and six inshore races. The OA may change the scheduled order of races.
- 8.3** The approximate duration of the long offshore race will be 30-36 hours for the slowest boat. The approximate duration of the short offshore race will be 10-12 hours for the slowest boat.
- 8.4** Inshore races will be approximately 1 to 1.5 hours in duration and will be windward/leeward races, except where unusual or extreme local conditions make it impossible to sail a windward/leeward course. In that circumstance the International Jury may give permission to sail a substitute course.
- 8.5** The championship is valid if at least 4 inshore races and 1 offshore race, or at least 3 inshore races and 2 offshore races are completed. Offshore races shall not be discarded. One inshore race shall be discarded if 5 or more inshore races are completed. This changes RRS Appendix A2.

## **9 MEASUREMENT AND EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

- 9.1** Pre-race measurement checks will take place during the times listed in NOR 8. Booking of time slots for inspections will be available through the online system beginning on September 01, 2020. The schedule of confirmed pre-race measurement checks will be posted by the OA not later than September 18, 2020.
- 9.2** Measurement and rules compliance inspections will be carried out throughout the championship before or after each race with emphasis on boats well placed in the scoring.

## **10 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing Instructions will be available online no later than the start of registration.

## **11 SCORING**

- 11.1** ORC Results will be calculated using:  
a) Offshore races: Coastal / Long Distance Time on Time  
b) Inshore races: PCS with Constructed course
- 11.2** IRC Results will be calculated as Time on Time using IRC TCC.
- 11.3** Corrected times calculated for each ORC and IRC will be shown as deltas to the winning boat where the winning boat in each rating system will have corrected time of "00:00:00" and all others will have corrected time calculated as difference to the winner.
- 11.4** Final race corrected time to determine finishing place according to the RRS A3 will be determined as average of corrected times in ORC and IRC calculated as in 11.3.
- 11.5** RRS Appendix A shall apply.

## **12 INTERNATIONAL JURY**

An International Jury will be appointed in compliance with RRS 91(b) and Appendix N. Decisions of the International Jury will be final according to the RRS 70.5.

## **13 SUPPORT BOATS**

Coach and other support persons must register with the Organizing Authority prior to the first day of racing. Coach or support boats shall display an identifying flag issued by the Organizing Authority, at all times while they are on the water.

## **14 NAUTICAL CHARTS**

The following nautical charts of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration may be utilized as a reference in the Sailing Instructions: 13221, 13218 and 13215.

## **15 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

- 15.1** All boats shall be launched no later than 0900 on Friday, September 25, 2020.
- 15.2** Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with written permission from the Technical Committee for the purposes of repairing damage. While hauled, cleaning and polishing of the hull below the waterline is not be permitted.
- 15.3** Appendages shall not be removed from the boat during the series.

## **16 MEDIA RIGHTS, LIABILITY & MEDIA WAIVER, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 16.1** Competitors, owners and their guests grant absolute right and permission, at no cost, to the Organizing Authority, the New York Yacht Club, and any official sponsors of the regatta for any photography and video footage taken of persons and boats during the event, to be published and/or broadcast in any media, including but not limited to TV advertisements, whatsoever for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information.
- 16.2** As a condition of entry, each owner, skipper and individual participating crew member shall submit an online liability waiver/media release. The fully executed Liability & Media Waiver Form shall be submitted prior to racing. The waiver form link can be found on the event website.
- 16.3** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, see RRS 4 - Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, New York Yacht Club, US Sailing, ORC, RORC, sponsors, affiliated companies, and any other party involved in the organization of the regatta 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. Each boat owner or his representative accepts these terms by signing the entry form.

## **17 RADIO COMMUNICATION & ELECTRONICS**

- 17.1** Each boat shall carry a working marine VHF radio capable of operating in 'US Mode' on the United States VHF Frequency Band.
- 17.2** Except in an emergency, or when communicating with the Race Committee, 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.

## **18 TROPHIES AND PRIZES**

- 18.1** Trophies will be awarded to:
  - (a) The top three overall boats in each class;
  - (b) The top three Corinthian boats in each class;
  - (c) The top **three** Pre-2010 boats in each class;
  - (d) Additional prizes at the discretion of the OA.

## **19 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be adequately insured with current, valid third-party liability insurance that is appropriate taking into account the value of the boats racing and the type of racing. It is the responsibility of the owner(s) to hold adequate insurance cover for Tort Liability and Third-Party Insurance (Property and Persons).

## **20 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, please visit the event website at <http://orcirc2020.orc.org> or contact the Sailing Office. New York Yacht Club, Harbour Court; 5 Halidon Avenue; Newport, RI 02840  
Tel: 401/845-9633; Fax: 401/846-3303; Email: [sailingoffice@nyyc.org](mailto:sailingoffice@nyyc.org)