

The CAN ONE Evening Race Association (COERA), the Organizing Authority (OA) for this series, is a member of the Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound (YRA of LIS) and the U.S. Sailing Association.

# 2021 NOTICE of RACE

The purpose of the COERA is to provide an environment for racing and fellowship while promoting good seamanship and sportsmanship. This Notice of Race (NoR) and the Sailing Instructions (SIs) are published so that all members will have information to help them become better sailors and assist them in beginning, renewing and deepening friendships.

#### 1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in:

- 1.1 The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS).
- 1.2 The US SAILING Prescriptions APPENDIX V Alternative Penalties shall apply.
- 1.3 The US SAILING Prescription to RRS 63.2 Time and Place of Hearings shall not apply.
- 1.4 Junior yachts shall comply with the provisions of NoR Addendum A.
- 1.5 The OA intends to offer one design racing for the J/105 class and any other class with six or more entries before the first race. In each such case, class rules shall apply except as they may be modified in the Sailing Instructions.

#### **2** ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:

- 2.1 COERA is open to single-hull, self-righting sailboats of 18 feet or more length overall, meeting the requirements of PHRF as administered by the YRA of LIS.
- 2.2 COERA is open to all sailors: a specific yacht club membership is not required. Member clubs earn privileges including special trophies and more. Current member clubs are Glen Island, Horseshoe Harbor, Huguenot, Larchmont, Orienta, and the New York Athletic Club yacht clubs.
- 2.3 COERA's Executive Committee shall be the sole judge of a yacht's eligibility, subject to RRS 76.1.
- 2.4 Eligible yachts shall enter online and make payment through the <u>Yacht Scoring</u> web site. The series entry fee for all yachts is \$350 and can be paid using PayPal, credit or debit card.

- 2.5 All yachts must complete online entry prior to competing in any race.
- 2.6 Yachts that have previously sailed in a COERA race must pay the entry fee prior to competing in any race. A yacht that has never sailed in a COERA race may compete in one race prior to paying the entry fee, provided she is first registered on <u>Yacht Scoring</u>. Except for yachts that have never before sailed in a COERA race, no yacht shall be scored until it has paid its entry fee. Payment of the entry fee will not entitle a yacht to be scored retroactively for races sailed before the entry fee was paid. There will be an additional \$25 fee for a yacht to change class mid-season.
- 2.7 A COERA member club, having paid its \$500 annual fee, shall be entitled to enter one "Junior Yacht" without an additional fee. See NoR Addendum A for additional information regarding entry of Junior Yachts.
- 2.8 A Yacht that is not kept in the Can One Racing Area (from American Yacht Club to City Island, inclusive) during the racing season, but is visiting for a short period of time may request a "Guest Pass" to participate in Can One Races for a period of two weeks. Request shall be made to any of the Can One Flag Officers via email. Upon email approval, Yachts requesting a Guess Pass shall register on Yacht Scoring and pay a \$50 fee to COERA. Yachts competing under Guest Passes shall be scored, and shall be eligible for daily prizes, but are not eligible for season prizes.

#### **3 DIVISIONS AND CLASSES:**

There shall be Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker Divisions. Each Division shall be divided into Classes designated by numbers (1, 2, 3, etc.) based on ratings, number of entries and historical participation at the sole discretion of the Organizing Authority. It is the Organizing Authority's intention to maintain 2 non-spinnaker and 4 spinnaker classes.

## 4 SCHEDULE:

- 4.1 An online Skippers' Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 22 at 1900. A Zoom link will be published to the regatta site on <u>Yacht Scoring</u>, and can be obtained by eMail from Rear Commodore Adam Loory.
- 4.2 The series will consist of races on the following dates:

May:	6	13	20	27	
June:	3	10	17	24	
July:	1	8	15	22	29
August:	5	12	19	26	
September:	2	9			

- 4.3 There will be one race per evening, with a maximum of 19 races for the series. Six races shall constitute a series.
- 4.4 Five minutes before the first scheduled warning signal, the race committee will display code flag F. F will be removed with a sound signal one minute before the warning for the first start. This changes RRS 26.
- 4.5 The first warning signal is scheduled for 1900 on each race day.
- 4.6 A yacht that starts later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS, without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

#### **5 RATINGS AND MEASUREMENT:**

Each Division will be scored using current Time On Time PHRF handicaps provided by YRALIS. "Spinnaker W/L Ratings" will be used for Spinnaker Classes and "N-Spinnaker W/L Ratings" will be used for Non-Spinnaker Classes. Yachts without a valid YRA of LIS certificate may be assigned the base rating for their yacht until they secure a valid YRA of LIS PHRF certificate. A yacht whose rating changes during the series shall notify the fleet Handicapper & Scorer before competing in another race.

### **6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

The sailing instructions will be posted to Yacht Scoring no later than April 15, 2021.

#### 7 RACING AREA AND COURSES:

- 7.1 Racing will be conducted in the area depicted by the Marks Chart included as NoR Appendix A . The Marks Chart indicates the approximate location of each government mark that may be used as a mark of the course.
- 7.2 The starting area will be in the vicinity of Mark A.

## **8 PENALTY SYSTEM AND PROTESTS:**

- 8.1 Immediately after finishing, a yacht that accepted a turn(s) penalty shall contact the race committee on the designated VHF channel to provide its sail number as well as the sail number of the protesting yacht. This changes US Sailing Prescriptions Appendix V1.
- 8.2 Protests must be filed at the Huguenot Yacht Club within 1½ hours after the last yacht has finished. A yacht that is unable to deliver its protest at the Huguenot Yacht Club within the time limit may confirm its intent to lodge a protest by sending an email to <a href="ClRaceCommittee@gmail.com">ClRaceCommittee@gmail.com</a>. The email shall be sent within one hour of the finish time of the protesting yacht and shall include the names and sail numbers of the protesting and protested yachts, any rule the protestor believes was broken, the name and contact information for the yacht's representative, and the representatives expected time of arrival at Huguenot Yacht Club. If the representative is unable to arrive at Huguenot Yacht Club in time for a protest hearing, that hearing shall be held following the next week's scheduled race. Similarly, a yacht that has been protested but is unable to arrive at Huguenot Yacht Club in time for a protest hearing may request a delay of the hearing to following the next week's scheduled race by sending an email to <a href="ClRaceCommittee@gmail.com">ClRaceCommittee@gmail.com</a> within one hour of her finish time. The email shall include the names and sail numbers of the protesting and protested yachts and the name and contact information for the yacht's representative. This changes RRS 61.3.
- 8.3 All protests will be heard in the open to make the protest hearing a learning experience for all sailors. This modifies RRS 63.1 and 63.3(a).
- 8.4 A protest against a yacht whose representative is not present within 1½ hours after the last yacht has finished and has not requested a delay pursuant to NoR 8.2, may be heard without representation from the protested yacht as provided in RRS 63.3(b).

#### 9 Scoring:

9.1 Scoring will use PHRF Time on Time computation.

- 9.2 Series scoring will be calculated using the High Point Percentage Scoring System with the points for each race determined by the number of starters in the Class and the finishing position of each yacht (see the SIs for details). This modifies RRS A4.2.
- 9.3 In order to qualify for a series trophy, a yacht must participate in at least fifty percent of the races for her Class, rounded up if there are an odd number of races (the Qualifying Number). A race that is started and then abandoned shall count as a race for the purpose of qualification but shall not be scored.
- 9.4 If a yacht's crew serves on the Race Committee, her Qualifying Number shall be reduced by one from her class's Qualifying Number. Race Committee service shall be defined as the participation by three or more people capable of helping the PRO.
- 9.5 Sections 9.3 and 9.4 notwithstanding, no yacht shall qualify without completing six scored races.
- 9.6 The series performance for a yacht that qualifies under NoR 9.3 shall be calculated using the scores from her best n races, where n is equal to the Qualifying Number for her Class. A yacht that participates in n-1 races but qualifies under NoR 9.4, or qualifies with less than n scored races as a result of abandonments shall have her series performance calculated using the scores from all of her races. Collectively, sections 9.3 9.6 modify RRS 90.3 and RRS Appendix A.
- 9.7 The time limit for the first yacht to sail the course and finish in each class shall be 90 minutes. Yachts failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in the class sails the course and finishes will be scored "Time Limit Expired" (TLE) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 & A5.
- 9.8 Boats scored TLE, Time Limit Expired, will be scored 1 point less than the last boat to finish. Boats that compete in a race but do not finish, including any that finish and thereafter retire or are disqualified, will score 0 points. Boats that do not compete in that race (DNC) will not be scored. The winner of the day will have the greatest number of points. This changes RRS A2.

## **10 RADIO COMMUNICATION:**

- 10.1 The designated channel for race committee communication shall be VHF 71. All competitors shall monitor this channel for updates from the Race Committee while racing. All competitors are further encouraged to monitor this channel prior to departing their home port, and while returning to their homeport.
- 10.2 Except in an emergency or as otherwise specified in the SIs, a yacht shall neither make nor receive radio communications not available to all yachts while racing.

#### 11 RESPONSIBILITY

All those taking part in COERA races do so at their own risk and responsibility. The Organizing Authority, member clubs, sponsors and their respective officers, employees, volunteers and members, accept no liability for any injury, loss or damage that may be suffered by any competitor. Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

#### 12 PRIZES:

- 12.1 Prizes will be awarded to the Class winners in each weekly race.
- 12.2 Series prizes in each Class will be awarded only to yachts that have qualified under the provisions of NoR 9.3 9.5, the number of prizes to be determined by the number of yachts qualifying in the Class.

- 12.3 A prize will be awarded for the best performance for the Overall Series by a qualified yacht from each of Glen Island, Horseshoe Harbor, Huguenot, Larchmont, Orienta Yacht Clubs, and the New York Athletic Club, provided such club has paid its annual COERA dues. In addition, a prize will be awarded for the best performance for the Overall Series by a qualified nonaffiliated yacht.
- 12.4 Perpetual Trophies will be awarded as follows:

# The George Hoffman Trophy

to the best scoring yacht in the entire fleet (Spinnaker & Non-Spinnaker) – In the event of a tie, the Hoffman trophy is awarded to the boat that won the class with the largest number of average participants

## The Commodore Fred Skinner Trophy

to the best scoring Yacht Club of Can One Member Clubs having paid their annual COERA dues, determined by the average score of the three qualifying yachts with the best scores from each qualifying club

#### The F. Neale Magrath Trophy

to the best scoring yacht not affiliated with a Can One member Yacht Club.

#### The Goose Trophy

to the best scoring yacht over 25 years old; in the event of a tie, the Goose trophy is awarded to the yacht that participated in the largest number of qualifying races.

# The Rookie Trophy

to the best scoring yacht in its first year in Can One Racing

## The Can One Junior Trophy

to the best scoring yacht in the fleet sailed by Juniors

#### The Joseph Sansone Trophy

to the most improved yacht over previous year's performance

## The Can One Distance Race Trophies

to the COERA registered spinnaker and non-spinnaker yachts that (a) qualify for season trophies; and (b) score the best overall performance in any two of the following distance races:

- Larchmont YC Annual Distance Race The Edlu (May 8, 2021)
- New York AC Annual Distance Race (June 5, 2021)
- Huguenot, Orienta and City Island yacht clubs' Western LIS Governor's Cup Race (August 21, 2021)
- Huguenot YC Mayor's Cup Regatta (August 22, 2021)

Scoring for the Distance Race Trophies shall be by adding together each qualifying yacht's percentage of perfection score calculated in each case as her finishing place withing the PHRF spinnaker or non-spinnaker fleet divided by the number of starters in her respective fleet. The yacht with the lowest combined score shall be the winner.

#### The Competitors Trophy

may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority to a loyal member of the Can One Evening Racing Association who has demonstrated outstanding service or sportsmanship within the organization.

### The Sturzenburger Trophy

may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority to the yacht with the biggest screw-up in the series races. (Sturzenburger sailed his Islander 34 across a tug/barge towline without damage).

# **13 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact a COERA Flag Officer, your Club Representative, or one of the Administrative Officers.

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# **Appendix A: Chart of Can One Marks**

