



# 2024 LYRA Regatta

Course Racing

August 1-4, 2024

Rochester Yacht Club



## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 ORC Rules, PHRF Lake Ontario Rules and One Design Class rules shall apply for those racing under each format. ORC Rule 209.4 - second sentence is amended to allow for the flying of asymmetrical spinnakers on the opposite side of the boom

### 2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 2.2 Any change to the sailing instructions can be made verbally on the water by the Race Committee.

### 3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on (<https://yachtscoring.com>).
- 3.2 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors via VHF radio on channel 71 for Course Alpha and 69 for Course Bravo.
- 3.3 [DP] Except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

### 4 CODE OF CONDUCT

**4.1** [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

**5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

**5.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed at the RYC Clubhouse Flagpole located at the Northwest corner of the RYC property along the Genesee River.

**6 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

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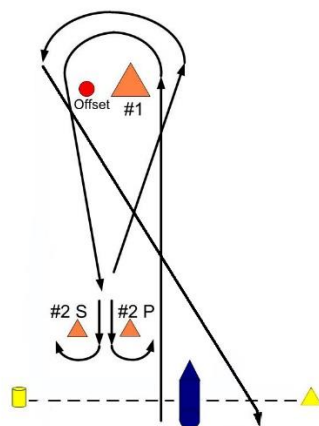
Date	Maximum Races planned per Day	Time of 1st Warning Signal	Latest time for warning signal
August 2 2024	3	1100	n/a
August 3 2024	3	1100	n/a
August 4 2024	3	1100	1500

**7 RACING AREA**

**7.1** The racing area will be North of RYC on the South shore of Lake Ontario. Course Alpha will be centered approximately 1nm East from the mouth of the Genesee River. Course Bravo will be centered approximately 1nm West from the mouth of the Genesee River.

**8 COURSES**

**8.1** The diagram below shows the course:



**8.2** Course to be sailed will be displayed from the stern of the Signal boat.

## **9 MARKS**

**9.1** Marks will be orange inflatable tetrahedrons.

**9.2** Course Alpha: The Start Mark will be a Race Committee vessel and a yellow cylinder.

Course Bravo: The Start Mark will be a Race Committee vessel and a yellow cylinder.

**9.3** Course Alpha: The Finish Mark will be a Race Committee vessel and a yellow tetrahedron.

Course Bravo: The Finish Mark will be a Race Committee Vessel and a yellow tetrahedron.

## **10 THE START**

**10.1** Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made five (5) minutes before the starting signal.

**10.2** The starting line shall be between the starting mark and a staff with an orange flag on a nearby Race Committee signal vessel and a yellow cylinder.

**10.3** A boat that does not start within five (5) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## **11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

**11.1** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

## **12 THE FINISH**

**12.1** The finishing line shall be between the finish mark and a staff with an orange flag on a nearby Race Committee vessel and a yellow tetrahedron.

## **13 TIME LIMITS**

**13.1** The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
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20 Minutes	90 Minutes	20 Minutes
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**13.2** If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.

**13.3** The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place [one][two] more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

**13.4** Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## **14 HEARING REQUESTS**

**14.1** Protests, Requests for Redress or Scoring Inquires shall be submitted within ninety (90) minutes after the last boat in the last race finishes. See Rule 61.3.

**14.2** Hearing request forms are available on (<https://yachtscoring.com>).

**14.3** Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the RYC White House Office.

**14.4** Appendix T Arbitration will apply.

## **15 SCORING**

**15.1** The scoring system is as follows: Low Point Penalty System.

**15.2** Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

**15.3** A boat's series score is the total of her race scores.

**15.4** (a) When fewer than Four (4) races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.

(b) When from Four (4) or more have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **16 PENALTIES**

**16.1** Appendix V shall apply.

## **17 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

**17.1** A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

## **18 BERTHING**

**18.1** [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the basin and/or nearby Marina's or Yacht Clubs as needed.

## **19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

**19.1** [DP] Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

## **20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

**20.1** Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the last race of the event.

## **21 PRIZES**

**21.1** Prizes will be given for First through Third in each class. In addition, please see Addendum A below referencing the LYRA Scoring and Trophy List.

## **22 RISK STATEMENT**

**22.1** RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

## **23 INSURANCE**

- 23.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

## **Addendum A**

### **The LYRA Regatta Championships**

1. To be eligible for the ORC LYRA Regatta Championship, a boat must compete in ORC in the Course Racing Series, the Freeman Cup Race, and either the Centennial Cup or Founders' Cup Race.
2. To be eligible for the PHRF LYRA Regatta Championship, a boat must compete in a PHRF spinnaker division in the Course Racing Series, the Freeman Cup Race, and either the Centennial Cup or Founders' Cup Race.
3. To be eligible for the One-Design LYRA Regatta Championship, a boat must compete in a one-design class for the Course Racing Series.
4. Scoring for the ORC and PHRF LYRA Regatta Championships will use the CHIPS 3 highpoint scoring system. For more information on CHIPS, see <http://tinyurl.com/AboutCHIPS> .
  - 4.1 Scoring for each race or series will be based on the boat's place within its division.
  - 4.2. The weighting of races will be as follows:
    - Centennial Cup or Founders' Cup race 0.5
    - Freeman Cup race 1.0
    - Course Racing Series 2.0
  - 4.3. The boats with the highest combined score in their fleet will be awarded the regatta championships.
5. The One-Design LYRA Regatta Champion will be chosen from among the one-design class winners in the Course Racing Series by a selection committee. The selection committee will consider each class winner's performance and the level of competition in its class.
  - 5.1 The selection committee will be appointed by the regatta PRO in consultation with LYRA and the RYC organizing committee. The composition of the selection committee and its decision will not be grounds for redress.
6. The LYRA Executive Committee reserves the right not to award one or more of the Regatta Championship awards if, in its opinion, the performance of the boat with the highest score is not commensurate with the "best in fleet" spirit of the awards. This decision will not be grounds for redress.
7. The following perpetual trophies will be awarded to the LYRA Regatta Champions:
  - ORC LYRA Regatta Champion: Bamann Trophy
  - PHRF LYRA Regatta Champion: Lake Ontario PHRF Bowl
  - One-design LYRA Regatta Champion: Kay Heron Trophy
8. Each Regatta Champion will also receive a battle flag.

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