



163rd NYYC ANNUAL REGATTA

Presented by ROLEX

June 9-11, 2017

Newport, Rhode Island

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the New York Yacht Club Regatta Association, Inc. The host is New York Yacht Club (NYYC). The Ida Lewis Yacht Club is the OA and host for the 2.4 Metre Class which is part of “Metrefest.”

GENERAL FORMAT

- The 163rd NYYC Annual Regatta presented by Rolex will consist of the following:
 - The Around-the-Island Race or middle distance race (scored separately) on Friday, June 9.
 - The traditional Two-Day Series on Saturday and Sunday, June 10-11, for yachts racing in IRC, ORC and One-Design classes, Classics, Multihulls, PHRF and PHRF double-handed classes.
 - Racing may consist of the following:
 - Drop mark races on Rhode Island Sound or Narragansett Bay;
 - Navigator style races using marks designated on the South Bay Race Chart or in the sailing instructions.
- Metrefest is open to International Rule sailing yachts including 2.4mR, 6mR, 8mR and 12mR. For the 6mR, 8mR and 12mR classes, racing will take place Friday through Sunday on courses run by the NYYC. For the 2mR class, racing will take place Friday through Sunday on drop mark courses run by the Idea Lewis Yacht Club. Teams can enter to compete for two team trophies:
 - Rolex Cup – Two-yacht teams in the Around-the-Island Race on Friday, June 9.
 - Great Corinthian Trophy – Yacht club teams (other than NYYC) of three or more yachts competing in the IRC or One-Design fleets in the Two-Day Series.
- The Annual Regatta is the first event in the 2017 NYYC Classic Yacht Series.
- The Annual Regatta website can be found at <http://nyyc.org/yachting/racing/163rd-annual-regatta>.

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1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) including the 2017 IRC Rules Parts A, B and C, and the PHRF Regulations as administered by the PHRF of NB. Appendix D, Team Racing Rules, will not apply for the Rolex Cup or the Great Corinthian Trophy team events.
- 1.2 The following documents shall apply and will be posted as addenda on the Annual Regatta website:
- a) Addendum 1 – US Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER)
 - All yachts shall minimally comply with the US Nearshore section of the USSER and shall comply with their class rules, where applicable.
 - USSER 2.4.1 through 2.4.8 regarding Hull and Structure: Lifelines shall apply, except that yachts not normally rigged with lifelines are exempt for these requirements and shall wear approved PFDs at all times while racing.
 - In the event of a conflict between these Requirements and applicable class rules, the class rules shall apply.
 - b) Addendum 2 – US SAILING Prescriptions to the RRS. Only the prescriptions listed in this Addendum shall apply.
 - c) Addendum 3 – The Classic Yacht Owners Association Class Rules shall apply to all yachts racing in the Classics division.
- 1.3 The sailing instructions may describe rules or changes to class rules that will apply to specific classes including:
- a) C&C 30 OD Class Rules 12 Jan 2016 (or most recent version) of Section J are invoked as follows:
 - Rule J.3 shall apply at all times.
 - Rule J.4 shall only apply for the Around-the-Island Race on Friday, June 9.
 - For racing on Saturday and Sunday, June 10-11, the first sentence of rule 29.1 is changed to read: When at a boat's starting signal any part of her hull or crew is on the course side of the starting line or she must comply with rule 30.1, the race committee shall promptly display flag X with one sound. This changes rule 29.1.
- 1.4 The protest committee may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of the USSER or non-Part 2 rules. This changes RRS 64.1.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 A yacht and her crew shall comply with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code.
- 2.2 Each yacht shall display the Rolex backstay flag and bow stickers provided at registration while racing. Classics, S Class, 2.4 Metres, 6 Metres, 8 Metres and 12 Metres will not be required to apply the bow stickers.

3 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 Entry is open to yachts with a minimum LOA of 25 feet that satisfy one or more of the entry requirements in NOR 3.2 to 3.10 or to a class invited by the OA. The OA reserves the right to limit the number of entries in any class. In addition, the OA may reject the entry of any yacht that may not fit the general parameters of the other yachts entered with regard to size and/or design.
- 3.2 **IRC Yachts:** Entry is open to all yachts with a valid 2017 IRC certificate.
- a) IRC Rules 22.4.1 and 22.4.2 are changed to read:
 - i. The crew weight shall not exceed 85kg multiplied by the Crew Number printed on the certificate; OR
 - ii. The number of crew shall not exceed the crew number on the boat's IRC certificate with no weight limit.
 - iii. One additional crew under the age of 16 is permitted and shall not count against the crew or weight limit.

- iv. Yachts electing the first option (crew weight) may weigh in during registration times shown in NOR 6.2. Scales will be available to any competitors to check their weight. Weighing in is not required; however, a yacht whose crew does not weigh in completely, and is later protested under this rule, shall make all crew available to be weighed in prior to the protest hearing in order to be scored.
 - b) IRC Rules 21.1.5 (d) and (e) are changed as follows: During the regatta, the sails carried (including mainsails and spinnakers) 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 the dock or its mooring for the race course.
- 3.3 **ORC Yachts:** Entries are open to all yacht with a valid 2017 ORCi or ORC Club certificate.
- 3.4 **One-Design Yachts:** Entries are open to all classes with a minimum LOA of 25 feet and a minimum of eight entries unless otherwise approved by the OA, and to any classes invited by the OA. Entrants must meet all ownership, class membership (including crew eligibility requirements), sail measurement and crew weigh-in requirements as required by their respective classes.
- 3.5 **Classic Yachts:** Entries are open to all Vintage and Classic yachts that meet the design, construction and equipment parameters described in the rules published by the Classic Yacht Owners Association. All yachts must hold a valid CRF Mk II certificate.
- 3.6 **12 Metre Yachts:** Entries are open to any 12 Metre yacht holding a valid Certificate of Measurement that is current with the 12 Metre Class annual dues and any certificate filing fees must have been paid. Depending on the number of entries, the 12 Metres may start as a single class. Trophies will be awarded in the Traditional and Modern/Grand Prix divisions if there are two or more entries in a division. The OA will use handicap ratings if provided by the ITMA.
- 3.7 **8 Metre Yachts:** Entries are open to any 8 Metre yacht holding a valid Certificate of Measurement that is current with the 8 Metre Class annual dues and any certificate filing fees must have been paid.
- 3.8 **6 Metre Yachts:** Entries are open to any 6 Metre yacht holding a valid Certificate of Measurement that is current with the 6 Metre Class annual dues and any certificate filing fees that must have been paid. The 6 Metres will start as a single class.
- 3.9 **Multihull:** Entries are open to any offshore Multihull (as determined by the OA) that meets the LOA minimum in NOR 3.1. The rating system for the Multihull class will be designated in the sailing instructions. Multihulls will sail navigator-style races.
- 3.10 **PHRF yachts:** Entries are open to the all yachts as follows:
- a) Yachts with a valid 2017 PHRF of Narragansett Bay certificate rating of 165 or lower. Yachts with a rating of 166 or higher will be permitted to enter at the discretion of the OA. A non-spinnaker class may be offered if there is sufficient interest. There is no crew number or weight limitation, except as noted in NOR 3.8
 - b) Double-handed yachts with a valid PHRF certificate if there is sufficient interest.
- 3.11 Except in the Double-handed Class, the minimum crew aboard while racing shall be four except as specified in Class Rules.
- 3.12 Each yacht shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating with the Race Committee on fleet channels.
- #### 4 ENTRY
- 4.1 **Entry Forms:** The entry form is available on the Annual Regatta website. The official entry form and entry fee shall be submitted online on or before 1700 on Monday, June 5, 2017. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the OA. Late fees will apply as described in NOR 5.3.
- 4.2 For one-design keelboats, entry includes racing in the two-day series on Saturday and Sunday, June 10-11. For 12mR, 8mR and 6mR, entry includes racing in the three-day MetreFest series on Friday-Sunday, June 9-11. For all other yachts, entry also includes racing in the Around-the-Island Race on Friday, June 9. Yachts that elect not to race in the Around-the-Island Race should check the appropriate box on the entry form to assist the OA in producing accurate scratch sheets.
- 4.3 **Registration:** All yachts shall pick up their regatta bags during the registration times listed in NOR 6.2. Registration will take place in the NYYC Sailing Center, Harbour Court, 5 Halidon Avenue, Newport, RI 02840.

- 4.4 **Rolex Cup Team Entries:** The Rolex Cup will be presented to the best two-yacht team in the IRC division in the Around-the-Island Race. Entries may be made online on the Annual Regatta website or at registration and submitted on or before 1800 on Thursday, June 8, 2017.
- 4.5 **Great Corinthian Trophy Team Entries:** The Great Corinthian Trophy will be presented to the yacht club team, other than New York Yacht Club, represented by three or more yachts competing in IRC or One-Design classes with the best score in the Annual Regatta Two-Day Series. All helmspersons shall be Group 1 as defined in ISAF Regulation 22, ISAF Sailor Classification Code. Entries may be made online on the Annual Regatta website or at registration and submitted on or before 1800 on Friday, June 9, 2017.
- 4.6 **Liability Waivers:** Crew liability waivers will be available on the Annual Regatta website and all competitors shall submit the waiver form before racing.

5 FEES

- 5.1 **Entry fees:** The entry fee shall be paid with the online entry form. To determine the applicable Entry Fee, a yacht's LOA is to be rounded downward to the nearest whole number.
(e.g. 49.65' = 49')

LOA 29' or less	\$400
LOA 30-34'	\$525
LOA 35' to 39'	\$650
LOA 40' to 44'	\$775
LOA 45-49'	\$900
LOA 50' or more	\$1050
PHRF	\$400
M32	\$400
Two-Day Series one-designs	\$350 (S-Class, etc. – Sat/Sun only)

Metrefest Entry fees: The entry fees include both entry in the NYYC Annual Regatta, as well as the specific items listed in NOR 5.7.

12 Metre	\$2150
8 Metre	\$1300
6 Metre	\$1100
2.4 Metre	\$350

- 5.2 **Team entry:** There is no additional fee for a team to enter either the Rolex Cup or the Great Corinthian Trophy.
- 5.3 **Late Entry fee:** A late fee of \$100 will be charged for entries received after 1700 on Monday, June 5.
- 5.4 **Administration fee:** Yachts withdrawing after 1700 on Monday, June 5, and before 1700 on Thursday, June 8, will be refunded their entry fee minus a \$100 administration fee. Yachts withdrawing after 1700 on Thursday, June 8, will not receive a refund.
- 5.5 **Late Rating Certificate fee:** A late certificate fee of \$200 will be charged for rating certificates filed after 1700 on Monday, June 5, as required in NOR 8.1.
- 5.6 **Dinner Tickets:** Dinner Tickets are not included in the entry fee. Tickets to the Annual Regatta Dinner will be available for purchase on an online social reservations form through Monday, June 5. Depending on availability, additional tickets can be purchased through the NYYC Special Events office or at registration.
- 5.7 **MetreFest:** Entry fee includes the following:
- Dockage for all classes at Sail Newport from Thursday, June 8 through Sunday June 11; storage for 2.4mR entries from the end of MetreFest until the beginning of the Clagett Regatta, June 21.
 - Welcome reception at Ida Lewis Yacht Club at 1800 hrs on Thursday, June 8;
 - Breakfast at Sail Newport Tent on Saturday, June 10 and Sunday, June 11;
 - Dinner tickets for the Metrefest Regatta Dinner at Sail Newport Tent at 1830 hrs on Friday, June 9. 12mR entries receive 17 tickets; 8mR entries receive 8 tickets; 6mR entries receive 5 tickets; and 2.4mR entries receive 1 ticket. Additional tickets may be purchased at check in for \$50 a person;
 - 2.4 mR entries should refer to the Ida Lewis Yacht Club webs site (ILYC.org) for the NOR's and SI's specific to their racing.

6 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 6.1 A representative from each yacht shall appear at registration to obtain class assignments and scratch sheets, bow stickers and backstay flags, and to turn in the Crew Waiver Form. All shore events will take place at Harbour Court.
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| 6.2 | Thursday, June 8 | 1600-1800 | Registration and weigh-ins |
| | Friday, June 9 | 0830-1000 | Registration and weigh-ins |
| | | 1100? | Course Signals for the Around-the-Island Race |
| | | 1600-1800 | Registration and weigh-ins |
| | | 1800 | Cocktails & Around-the-Island Race Awards party |
| | Saturday, June 10 | 0800-0900 | Registration and weigh-ins |
| | | 1100 | Course signals |
| | | 1800 | Annual Regatta cocktails |
| | | 1900 | Annual Regatta Dinner (casual dress) |
| | Sunday, June 11 | 1100 | Course signals for all courses |
| | | TBD | Rolex Awards Ceremony (after racing) |
- 6.3 No Warning Signal shall be made after 1500 on Sunday, June 11.

7 CREW WEIGH-INS

- 7.1 Crew weigh-ins will be conducted only if required by applicable class rules.
- 7.2 The official scale will be available in the Sailing Center at times posted on the Official Notice Board for yachts wishing to confirm their compliance with applicable crew weight limitations.

8 MEASUREMENT

- 8.1 Each yacht shall submit a valid certificate to the NYYC Sailing Office before 1700 on Monday, June 5, as follows:
- (a) 12 Metres shall submit a copy of the cover page of their valid Certificate of Measurement signed by the ITMA Technical Director.
 - (b) 6 Metres and 8 Metres shall submit a copy of the cover page of their valid Certificate of Measurement.
 - (c) One-design yachts shall submit a copy of their valid class measurement certificate when one is required by their class rules.
 - (d) PHRF yachts shall submit a copy of their valid 2017 PHRF-NB certificate;
 - (e) IRC yachts shall submit a copy of their valid 2017 IRC certificate;
 - (f) ORC yachts shall submit a copy of their valid 2017 ORC certificate;
 - (g) Classic Yachts shall have a valid CRF Mk II certificate on file;
 - (h) Multihulls shall submit a copy of their rating certificate (rating system to be determined by the OA).
- 8.2 Yachts, including all qualifying equipment and sails, may be subject to random inspection by the OA at any time during this event.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND CLASS ASSIGNMENTS

Sailing instructions and scratch sheets for the 163rd NYYC Annual Regatta presented by Rolex will be available on the Annual Regatta website and at registration.

10 VENUE

Races will be held off Newport, RI, on Rhode Island Sound or in Narragansett Bay.

11 COURSES

- 11.1 Courses for all classes will be defined in the sailing instructions.
- 11.2 South Bay Race Chart marks or other special marks may be used for races held in Narragansett Bay or on Rhode Island Sound and will be described in the sailing instructions.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1 If class rules specify a penalty, a yacht that may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing may take a penalty at the time of the incident as provided in her class rules.
- 12.2 If the class rules do not specify a penalty, rule 44.1 is changed so that a yacht has the choice between penalty systems and the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. A yacht may choose either to:
 - (a) take a One-Turn Penalty in accordance with rule 44.2; or
 - (b) take a Scoring Penalty in accordance with rule 44.3.
- 12.3 A yacht that has taken a penalty shall complete a penalty acknowledgement form.

13 SCORING

- 13.1 The **Around-the-Island Race** on Friday, June 9, shall be scored separately and will not count in the Two-Day Series score.
- 13.2 Multiple races are planned in the **Two-Day Series**. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. A yacht's series score will be the total of all of her race scores. There is no discard race.
- 13.3 IRC and ORC classes will be scored using time-on-time.
- 13.4 PHRF classes will be scored using time-on-distance.
- 13.5 It is the intention to score Multihulls using time-on-time scoring.
- 13.6 The Around-the-Island Race Team Trophy for the Rolex Cup will be scored using Appendix A, Low Point System, combining the overall points in the IRC division. The trophy will be awarded to the team with the lowest total score.
- 13.7 The Great Corinthian Trophy will be scored by using each team member yacht's percentage points (finish points divided by the number of starters) within its respective class. The trophy will be awarded to the team with the lowest average score.

14 PRIZES

- 14.1 Around-the-Island Race prizes will be presented at the Awards Party after the race on Friday, June 9, at Harbour Court. Prizes for the Around-the-Island Race will be awarded to the top three yachts in each class.
- 14.2 A Rolex timepiece will be awarded to the overall winning yacht in the IRC division in the Around-the-Island Race.
- 14.3 The Rolex Cup will be presented to the best two-yacht team in the Around-the-Island Race.
- 14.4 Overall prizes will be presented at the Rolex Awards Ceremony on Sunday, June 11, at Harbour Court.
- 14.5 A Rolex timepiece will be awarded to the yacht which, in the opinion of the OA, makes the best overall performance in the Annual Regatta Two-Day Series.
- 14.6 The Great Corinthian Trophy will be presented to the yacht club team with the best score in the Annual Regatta.
- 14.7 The Solution Trophy may be awarded at the NYYC Annual Awards Dinner on November 9, to the enrolled New York Yacht Club yacht entered in the Annual Regatta, which, in the opinion of the Race Committee, makes the best overall performance in the Two-Day Series.

15 LIABILITY & MEDIA WAIVER

- 15.1 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 Annual Regatta website.
- 15.2 Media Waiver - Competitors and crew members on the competing yachts grant, at no cost, the New York Yacht Club Regatta Association, Inc., New York Yacht Club, Rolex S.A., Rolex Watch U.S.A and affiliated companies, and any other official sponsors of the regatta, the absolute right and permission to use their name, voice, image, likeness, biographical material as well as representations of the boats in any media worldwide (being television, print and internet media), including video footage, for the sole purposes of advertising, promoting, reporting and disseminating information regarding the Annual Regatta and the participants in the Annual Regatta.

- 15.3 Yachts shall not be scored unless the skipper/person-in-charge has submitted a liability & media waiver form.
- 15.4 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, New York Yacht Club, Rolex Watch U.S.A. and affiliated companies, and other sponsors 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. Attention is also drawn to RRS 46 and USSER 1.2, Responsibility.

16 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be adequately insured with valid third-party liability insurance that is appropriate taking into account the value of the boats racing and the type of racing.

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please visit the Annual Regatta website at www.nyyc.org or contact the Sailing Office. New York Yacht Club, Harbour Court; 5 Halidon Avenue; Newport, RI 02840
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