



Lake Ontario 300 Challenge Race
 July 15 – July 20, 2011
 Lake Ontario 300 Committee of Port Credit Yacht Club
NOTICE OF RACE
Updated 2011-06-26 with Amendment 2

Amendment	Date	Section	Description
1	2011-05-18	3.3	Corrected PHRF FS rating break between courses
2	2011-06-26	5.1	Registration deadline is 1800 EDT, Wednesday, July 6, 2011

1 RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the Canada Yachting Association (CYA) apply for the entire race; including in US waters, see www.sailing.ca/files/racing/rules/CYAPrescriptions2009-12.pdf
- 1.3 Applicable Class Rules
 Sailboats racing in PHRF, the PHRF-LO rules shall apply
 Sailboats racing in IRC, the IRC Rules 2011 Parts A, B and C shall apply
 For multihull sailboats, the GLMRA rules shall apply
- 1.4 The Lake Ontario 300 Challenge Race is governed by the following
L0300 Race Equipment & Safety Regulations available at www.lo300.org
Port Credit Yacht Club Visiting Yacht Policy available at www.pccyc.net
 For sailboats competing in the Solo Challenge
2011 Lake Ontario 300 Solo Challenge Notice of Race available at www.solosailors.org

GLSS Gear and Use Requirements available at www.solosailors.org with the amendment that a life raft is not required

1.5 Racing rule(s) will be changed as follows:

The provisions of Appendix Q (CYA Prescription) of the Racing Rules of Sailing shall apply to the period between 2000hrs and 0600hrs

Rule 41 – “Outside Help” is modified herein to allow all forms of communication. Each sailboat may communicate with any person, competitor, sailboat or outside source of information available using any means available throughout the race.

The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

1.6 Class rule(s) will be changed as follows:

IRC: Sailboats are allowed to carry one additional spinnaker over the number listed in the sailboats’ IRC certificate

1.7 This event is designated a Clean Regatta Bronze by the *Sailors for the Sea* (www.sailorsforthesea.org) By entering, all competitors agree to abide by Clean Regatta Bronze level certification requirements. Sailboats observed discharging garbage or black water (sewage with faeces) into Lake Ontario or harbours will be protested and the penalty is disqualification from the Lake Ontario 300 Race. Any such disqualification may be used by the Organizing Authority whether to accept future registrations by this sailboat or owner.

1.8 In case of differences between this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall apply.

2 ADVERTISING

Sailboats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The LO300 Committee, upon application and subsequent review of technical evidence as to the heavy weather stability and crew comfort of a vessel may, at their sole discretion and without appeal, can accept or reject such vessel as suitable for this race.

3.2 Eligible yachts may be entered in the race by registering online at www.lo300.org.

3.3 The race is open to monohull and multi-hull sailboats. Divisions will include Flying Sails (FS) and No Flying Sails (NFS), either Double Handled, Fully Crewed or Flying Sails Single Handed for Solo Challenge only.

Divisions shall be divided into Spinnaker and White Sail Fleets. Multihull Classes shall be spinnaker only. Divisions may be sub-divided into fleets. The LO300 Committee may assign sailboats to divisions and fleets based on number of sailboats registered.

The following table lists the Divisions by Course.

Monohull Divisions

	Main Duck Course	Scotch Bonnet Course
PHRF-LO No Flying Sails – Double Handed	NA	Only
PHRF-LO No Flying Sails – Fully Crewed	NA	Only
PHRF-LO Flying Sails with rating of 186 or greater – Double Handed	NA	Only
PHRF-LO Flying Sails with rating of 186 or greater – Fully Crewed	NA	Only
PHRF-LO Flying Sails with rating between 171 and 183 inclusive – Double Handed	Either	Either
PHRF-LO Flying Sails with rating between 171 and 183 inclusive – Fully Crewed	Either	Either
PHRF-LO Flying Sails with rating of 168 and smaller – Double Handed	Only	NA
PHRF-LO Flying Sails with rating of 168 and smaller – Fully Crewed	Only	NA
IRC – Double Handed	Only	NA
IRC – Fully Crewed	Only	NA
Solo Challenge with Flying Sails only – Single Handed	Only	NA
Multihull Division		
	Main Duck Course	Scotch Bonnet Course
Multihull with Flying Sails only – Full Crewed	Only	NA

- 3.4 Monohull sailboats shall hold a valid PHRF-LO or IRC certificate. Multihull sailboats shall hold a valid GLMRA certificate. For sailboats from outside the PHRF-LO area, arrangements must be made in advance to obtain a PHRF-LO certificate. Contact the Organizing Authority or PHRF-LO directly, well in advance of the event, to obtain details on accomplishing this.
- 3.5 Supporting documentation for a complete entry includes all information requested in the online entry form as well as the yacht's valid rating certificate number, crew information, payment of the entry fee, a completed, signed *L0300 Race Equipment & Safety Regulations form* and *L0300 Sail Plan*.

Any documentation not already submitted should be handed to the registrar during check in prior to the Mandatory Participants' Meeting.

- 3.6 Sailboats entered in a Double Handed Division shall be crewed only by a skipper and one other crew, both of whom shall be not less than 18 years of age. Skippers in the Fully Crewed Division shall be not less than 18 years of age and at least one other crew member shall not be less than 18 years of age.
- 3.7 Sailboats competing in the Solo Challenge must meet the eligibility requirements of Great Lakes Singlehanded Society, see www.solosailors.org
- 3.8 Competitors' sailboats shall only display a sail number registered specific to the sailboat at the time of its commission. Requests, on the *Alternate Sail Number Form*, to display alternative sail numbers to the sailboat's commissioned sail number may be approved by the LO300 Race Committee and must be filed with the registrar prior to the Mandatory Participants Meeting.
- 3.9 Each competitor provided with bow stickers shall place the stickers on the port and starboard bow of the yacht prior to the race. Solo Challenge sailboats must also place a white 2' x 2' x 2' triangle on the leech of mainsail on both sides above any reefing points formed with Glofast™ luminous cloth tape supplied by the Organizing Authority.
- 3.10 Sailboats may carry and use a transponder supplied by the LO300 Committee. The cost of the transponder rental is included in the Entry Fee. The transponder should be picked up during check in prior to the Competitors' Meeting at 1900 EDT Friday, July 15, 2011. The use of transponders shall be outlined in the Sailing Instructions

4 FEES

Required fees are as follows:

<i>All Classes</i>	<i>\$200.00 CAD until February 28, 2011</i> <i>\$240.00 CAD afterwards</i>
<i>Solo Challenge</i>	<i>Additional fee payable to Great Lakes Singlehanded Society (GLSS), see www.solosailors.org</i>

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration deadline is 1800 EDT, Wednesday, July 6, 2011
- 5.2 Mandatory Participants' Meeting at 1900 EDT, Friday July 15, 2011 on the patio at Port Credit Yacht Club. A representative of each boat shall attend this meeting and is open to all participants.
- 5.3 Division Organization (Splits) and starting sequence shall be posted before 2100 EDT July 15, 2011 on the Official Notice Board.
- 5.4 The warning signal is at 1025 EDT, Saturday July 16, 2011.

6 MEASUREMENTS AND INSPECTIONS

- 6.1 All sailboats shall be reviewed for the equipment listed in *L0300 Race Equipment Regulations*. Additionally, sailboats competing in the Solo Challenge will be reviewed against the *GLSS Gear and Use Requirements*. This review may be

undertaken by a Safety or Flag Officer of the entrant's Yacht Club, or by arrangement with the Lake Ontario 300 Safety Officer. A sailboat must successfully complete this review prior to the start of the race.

- 6.2 A sailboat may be inspected at any time. The Race Committee may, at the finish of the race, direct a sailboat to proceed directly to a designated location at Port Credit Yacht Club. A boat which fails to follow such directions or which subsequently fails the inspection may be protested by the Race Committee

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at www.lo300.org by May 20, 2011.

8 VENUE AND THE COURSE

- 8.1 Main Duck Island Course shall be a 300 nautical mile clockwise circumnavigation of Lake Ontario. Starting at Port Credit, then on to Gibraltar Point Mark, Main Duck and Yorkshire Islands, Ford Shoal Buoy, Niagara Mark, PCYC Mark and the Finish Mark.
- 8.2 Scotch Bonnet Island Course shall be a 190 nautical mile course starting at Port Credit, then on to Gibraltar Point Mark, Scotch Bonnet Island, Niagara Mark, PCYC Mark and the Finish Mark.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3, will apply, with 44.3 (c) is changed so that the penalty assessed will be 30 minutes added to her elapsed time.

10 SCORING

PHRF-LO time on time formula, IRC Rule and GLMRA shall be used. Yachts shall be scored in their own Fleets and Divisions. The L0300 Committee reserves the right to adjust the scratch sailboat when converting the PHRF-LO Time on Distance to Time on Time based on the registrations received by the deadline. The Time on Time ratings will be published along with the division splits.

11 BERTHING

Boats berthing at PCYC before or after the race must follow PCYC's Visiting Yachts' Policy including pre-registration available at:

www.pcy.net

12 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Each yacht may communicate with any person, competitor, yacht or outside source of information available using any means available throughout the race.

13 PRIZES

Trophies and/or flags shall be awarded to the winning yachts in each Division and Fleet.

A list of the trophies awarded, their eligibility requirements and selection methodology is available at the www.lo300.org web site.

Flags shall be awarded to the winning yachts in each Division and Fleet at 1900 Tuesday, July 19, 2011 at Port Credit Yacht Club.

Trophies will be presented on Saturday September 24, 2011 at the Port Credit Yacht Club.

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

15 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance policy with a minimum cover of \$2,000,000 CAD per event for Canadian boats and an adequate level of third-party liability insurance applicable in Canadian and US waters for non-Canadian boats.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, including social events and for docking arrangements, please see www.lo300.org