



YOUNGSTOWN
YACHT CLUB
NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE
SAILING CLUB



The organizing authority is the
Niagara-on-the-Lake Sailing Club (NOLSC)

2019 Sailing Instructions
For the Niagara Cup and YYC Hospice Regatta
Saturday, July 13, 2019

1 RULES

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Prescriptions of [Sail Canada](#) will apply.
- 1.3 When racing PHRF, a boat shall follow the PHRF-Lake Ontario (PHRF-LO) rules.
- 1.4 When racing one-design, a boat shall follow the rules of her class.
- 1.5 On the Notice of Race add instructions:
 - (a) “2.5 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form at:
https://www.yachtscoring.com/event_registration_email.cfm?eID=9428”
 - (b) “2.6 the required entry fee is CDN\$60 (includes 1 dinner ticket).”
 - (c) “2.7 the fee for each additional dinner ticket is CDN\$25.”
 - (d) “2.8 A boat wishing to compete for the Niagara Hospice qualifier event should email Adam Burns at adamburns05@yahoo.com to make a donation.”These change the Notice of Race.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located near the northeast corner of the NOLSC main clubhouse. Notices may be duplicated on the “Notice Board” page on the web site of the host club. Failure to post notices on the web site in a timely fashion will not be grounds for redress.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole nearest to the riverfront at NOLSC.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 45 minutes” in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Date of racing is Saturday, July 13.
- 5.2 A maximum of 6 races will be sailed.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 1030.
- 5.4 No warning signal will be made after 1600.

6 CLASS AND IDENTIFICATION FLAGS

- 6.1 Class assignments will be posted no later than 0910 on the day of the event, by which time identification flags will be available at the NOLSC office.
- 6.2 A minimum of 3 boats are required to constitute a division in the regatta.

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7 THE COURSES

- 7.1 The racing area will be in the vicinity of Olympic Circle mark 8 which is located approximately 2.25 nautical miles at a bearing of 055° magnetic from G3, the Niagara Light and Bell Buoy.
- 7.2 The diagram in attachment A shows the courses, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 7.3 Assignments of classes to their courses will be posted by 0910 on the day of the event.
- 7.4 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 7.5 A boat assigned to one course shall sail no closer than 3 boat lengths to mark 1 of the other course.
- 7.6 If one of the leeward gate marks (2P or 2S) is missing, the boats shall round the remaining mark leaving it to port.
- 7.7 Both the starting and the finishing mark may be in place during a start or finish.

8 MARKS

- 8.1 Mark 1A will be a red inflatable tetrahedron.
- 8.2 Mark 1B will be an orange inflatable tetrahedron.
- 8.3 Marks 2P and 2S will be orange inflatable tetrahedrons.
- 8.4 New marks as provided in SI 10 will be yellow inflatable tetrahedrons.
- 8.5 The starting marks will be the race committee signal vessel at the starboard end and a red ball at the port end.
- 8.6 The finishing marks will be the race committee signal vessel at the starboard end and a white ball at the port end.

9 THE START

- 9.1 The starting line will be a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 9.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other classes. [DP]
- 9.3 The starting sequence will typically follow the class sequence in 6.1 above. Failure of the race committee to follow that sequence will not be grounds for redress.
- 9.4 More than one class may be started at one time.
- 9.5 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

10 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 10.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be an original mark.
- 10.2 If the windward (1A) and offset (1B) marks are changed, they will be replaced by a single mark.
- 10.3 If the gate marks (2P) and (2S) are changed, they will be replaced by a single mark.

11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.

12 TIME LIMITS

- 12.1 If no boat has passed mark 1 (1A or 1B, as appropriate to the course) within 30 minutes of the start the race will be abandoned.
- 12.2 If no boat sails the course and finishes within 90 after the start the race will be abandoned.
- 12.3 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1 Protest forms are available at boardroom located at the southeast corner on the 2nd floor of the NOLSC clubhouse or may be downloaded from:

(a) [Sail Canada Protest Form \(pdf\)](#)

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(b) [US Sailing Protest Form \(pdf\)](#)

- 13.2** The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the race committee signal vessel signals her return to her mooring.
- 13.3** Notices will be posted no later than 10 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 board room, (see 13.1 above for the location), beginning at the time posted.
- 13.4** Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

14 SCORING

- 14.1** A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 14.2** PHRF corrected times will be calculated using the "PHRF-LO Time-on-Time" method.
- 14.3** One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

15 SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. [DP]

16 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. Except for devices communicating from one part of the boat to another, this restriction also applies to any wireless communications device. [DP]

The race committee may communicate information on VHF 69. Failure to make these communications or the sequence in which they are made shall not be ground for redress.

17 PRIZES

A prize will be awarded to the top 3 boats in each class.

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the races entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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.

19 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate third-party liability insurance.

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ATTACHMENT A
COURSE DIAGRAM

Course A: Start – 1A – 2 – 1A - Finish

Course B: Start – 1B – 2 – 1B - Finish

