



## Shark World Championships 2014

National Yacht Club, Toronto, Canada  
Canadian Shark Class Association  
International Shark Class Association

August 23-29, 2014

### NOTICE OF RACE

You are cordially invited to attend the Shark World Championship 2014 regatta, being held at National Yacht Club, Toronto on August 23 – 29, 2014.

National Yacht Club ([www.thenyc.com](http://www.thenyc.com)) is located at the Western entrance to the Toronto harbour, just East of Ontario Place.

By Land: 1 Stadium Road, Toronto, ON M5V 3H4

By water: The entrance to the basin is at 43°37.90N 79°24.20W

#### 1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

1.1 The Organizing Authority (OA) will be the National Yacht Club (NYC).

#### 2. RULES

2.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2.2 Sail Canada prescriptions *Rules* 61.2 and 67 will apply.

2.3 The International Shark Class Association (ISCA) General Class Rules and Specifications will apply.

2.4 Racing *rule* 61.3 will be changed to allow for Arbitration, and a penalty less than disqualification for breaches of the rules of Part 2 and Rule 31. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions.

2.5 Racing rule G3 will apply, allowing a loaned or chartered boat to carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of Shark class rules.

2.6 Racing rule(s) 46, 75.1, 78.1 will be changed as follows:

In addition to the requirements of RRS 75.1, a boat shall be entered by a full member in good standing of the International Shark Class Association, and that person shall be the “person in charge”.

2.7 The Sailing Instructions may change other racing rules.

2.8 In addition:

1. Each boat shall carry at least three persons
2. The “person in charge” shall be identified at the time of registration
3. All crew shall be identified at the time of registration
4. Alternate crew but not the person in charge may be designated for specified days of the regatta provided all eligibility rules are met
5. Crew substitutions may be requested by submitting in writing the reasons for the substitution to the Regatta Headquarters for approval by the Protest Committee

2.9 Decisions of the International Jury will be final, according to RRS 70.5.

2.10 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

### 3. ADVERTISING

3.1 Competitor advertising will be restricted as per the International Shark Class Rules.

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

### 4. ELIGIBILITY

4.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the International Shark class.

4.2 Eligible boats may register:

- in advance online at [www.sharkworlds2014.com](http://www.sharkworlds2014.com) (before August 18, 2013)
- by bringing a completed registration form, together with the registration fee, to the Registration Desk at the NYC on August 23-24, 2014. Registration forms will be made available at [www.sharkworlds2014.com](http://www.sharkworlds2014.com)

**Online registration in advance is encouraged.**

4.3 A representative of a country competing shall be a citizen of that country, and a member of a yacht club in that country.

### 5. FEES

5.1 Required fees are CAN\$750 plus HST per entry. Registrations received before July 21, 2014 will receive a \$75 discount and so the “early bird fee” is CAN\$675 plus HST.

5.1.1 Additional discounts apply for non-North American entries.

5.1.2 If there are 1-5 non-North American entries, there is a CAN\$100 discount on fees described in 5.1.

5.1.3 If there are 6-10 non-North American entries, there is a CAN\$150 discount on fees described in 5.1.

5.1.4 If there are more than 10 non-North American entries, then a draw will be held to completely refund the entry fee paid by one of the non-North American entries.

## **6. LOAN BOATS**

- 6.1** A limited number of loaner boats will be made available to non-North American entries on a first-come, first-served basis to crews from outside North America for use at the regatta. Competitors are required to bring their own sails and any other racing equipment that they require. Participants requiring a loaner boat must indicate this when registering online.
- 6.2** Registrations forms from entrants requesting a loaner boat shall be received not later than May 31, 2014.
- 6.3** Damage deposit for Loan Boats
- 6.3.1** For Loan Boats, an initial damage deposit for of \$300CDN shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
- 6.3.2** If a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
- 6.3.3** Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 5 days after the event.

## **7. SCHEDULE**

- 7.1** Registration:
- Saturday August 23, 2014 from 0800h to 2000h, and
  - Sunday August 24, 2014 from 0800h to 1200h
- 7.2** Measurement and Inspection:
- 7.2.1** All boats will be measured and inspected prior to registration:
- Saturday August 23, 2014 from 0800h to 2000h, and
  - Sunday August 24, 2014 from 0800h to 1200h
- 7.2.2** All boats are subject to spot checks at any other time.
- 7.3** Practice Racing and Opening Ceremony:
- 7.3.1** Date of practice race: Sunday August 24, 2014.
- 7.3.2** Date and time of Opening Ceremony: 1830h on Sunday August 24, 2014.
- 7.4** Racing:
- 7.4.1** Dates of racing: Monday August 25-29, 2014.
- 7.5** Number of races: 10 races are scheduled including a distance race. Maximum of 3 races per day.
- 7.6** Scheduled Warning Signals:
- 7.6.1** The scheduled time of the warning signal for the practice race is 1400h.
- 7.6.2** The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1000h.

## **8. MEASUREMENTS**

- 8.1** Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate. In addition the following measurements may be taken:

- All sails,
- Boat all up weight,
- Required equipment,
- Motor weight,
- Corrector weights,
- Mast, boom and spinnaker pole,
- J measurement,
- Keel and rudder, and
- Any others as determined by the measurement committee

**8.2** Prior to being eligible to race, each boat shall be measured for compliance with its all-up racing weight, motor weight and confirmation that all required correctors are affixed. Each boat shall be required to produce a copy of its inventory list (including all safety items) which list shall remain available for inspection during the regatta.

**8.3** Prior to being eligible to race, each boat shall have all sails measured for compliance with Shark class rules. Compliant sails will be stamped by measurers, and only these sails may be used in competition.

**8.4** A boat or equipment may be re-weighed, re-measured or re-inspected at any time. Boats shall have appropriate lifting apparatus for use with the class scales. A boat failing any such re-weighing, re-measurement or re-inspection may be protested and penalized by the Protest Committee and additionally, in the event of any non-compliance, may be prevented from further competition until it has received clearance from the Measurement Committee.

## **9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available at registration, and at [www.sharkworlds2014.com](http://www.sharkworlds2014.com). Draft Sailing Instructions may be posted at [www.sharkworlds2014.com](http://www.sharkworlds2014.com).

## **10. VENUE**

**10.1** The regatta venue is the National Yacht Club, located at 1 Stadium Road, Toronto, Ontario, Canada and 43°37.90N 79°24.20W.

**10.2** The course racing will take place in Lake Ontario, South of the Toronto Islands and in Humber Bay.

**10.3** The long distance race will take place in Western Lake Ontario.

**10.4** Canadian Charts #2085 (paper) and CA573008 (electronic) show the course racing area.

**10.5** Canadian Charts #2077 (paper) and CA37309 (electronic) show the long distance racing area.

## **11. THE COURSES**

**11.1** The courses to be sailed will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

**11.1.1** Courses for course racing will be windward-leeward races around inflated marks, normally with an offset and a gate.

**11.1.2** Separate course information for the long distance race will be posted on the official notice board during the regatta or distributed sooner.

## **12. SCORING**

- 12.1** Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2** (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **13. BERTHING**

Moorings for visiting boats will be assigned at launch. It is intended that all Sharks shall be moored inside the NYC harbour along the breakwall to the east of the main dock. Boats shall use the assigned dock unless written permission to change has been granted by the regatta chair or her authorized representative. Rafting will be required.

## **14. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee. All boats shall be launched by 1300h on Sunday August 24, 2014. In the event of haul-out during the regatta in accordance with the foregoing, such haul-out shall be completed at the NYC white crane, west of the main clubhouse.

## **15. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

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 regatta.

## **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. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. For clarity, competitors may monitor VHF transmissions.

## **17. PRIZES**

- 17.1** The Shark World Cup will be awarded to the first place boat, based in final point score.
- 17.2** Prizes will be awarded to the first ten boats, based on final points score.
- 17.3** The Metzger Trophy will be awarded to the boat with the best score counting the practice race, the distance race, and the final course race.

## **18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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 valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of CAN\$ 2,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

## **20. FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact Regatta Chair Dave Thomas at 416-460-5187 or [info@sharkworlds2014.com](mailto:info@sharkworlds2014.com).

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**Additional information, regatta updates, and new revisions of this Notice of Race will be available at [www.sharkworlds2014.com](http://www.sharkworlds2014.com).**

### **LAUNCHING & HAULING OUT**

Launching and hauling out will take Place at HMCS YORK, 659 Lakeshore Road West, Toronto Ontario (enter by turning south off of Lakeshore Road one light west of Stadium Road). Launch will take place from 0800h to 2100h on Saturday August 23, 2014 and again from 0800h to 1200h on Sunday August 24, 2014. All boats, including those arriving by water, should be ready for weighing, with all surplus equipment removed and must go to HMCS YORK for weighing prior to being permitted to register. Trailers shall be stored at HMCS YORK as directed at launch. Haul-out for boats that arrived by trailer will take place at HMCS YORK immediately following the end of racing on August 29, 2014.

### **PARKING**

No vehicles may be parked at HMCS YORK. Due to the number of regatta participants at NYC during the regatta, parking may be restricted at the club to one vehicle per boat. Street parking is otherwise very limited although there is paid parking near the NYC on Stadium Road. Competitors are asked to plan accordingly.

### **CAMPING**

National Yacht Club has a small grass area where tent camping is available on a first come first serve basis for regatta entrants. Access to washroom facilities is available overnight. In addition a limited number of spaces have been arranged for tent trailers and campers which must be reserved in advance. Please contact John Brunt at [logistics@sharkworlds.com](mailto:logistics@sharkworlds.com) to arrange for a spot to be reserved and provide the type and size of trailer (including any pop-outs) in order that adequate space is available. Trailers for which arrangements have not been confirmed in advance may not be permitted due to limited parking space.

### **ACCOMODATIONS**

Information on accommodations near NYC can be found at [www.sharkworlds2014.com](http://www.sharkworlds2014.com).