



## CanAm Challenge and Great Lakes PHRF Fest

The Organizing Authority is the Youngstown Yacht Club (YYC)

July 29 - 30, 2023

Youngstown Yacht Club  
491 Water Street  
Youngstown, NY 14174  
[www.yyc.org](http://www.yyc.org)

### NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in this Notice of Race means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The prescriptions of US Sailing will apply and will be posted on the official notice board.
- 1.3. The class rules will apply to each respective one-design class.
- 1.4. The US SAILING prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 shall not apply.
- 1.5. The Performance Handicap Racing Fleet of Lake Ontario (PHRF-LO) rules will apply to PHRF Spinnaker and PHRF Main & Jib classes.
- 1.6. Rule 63.7 shall be replaced by- "If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race (NoR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI), the Sailing Instruction shall apply. This changes RRS 63.7.

#### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board immediately prior to the event.

#### 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The Official Notice Board is located online at:  
<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15668>

- 3.2. [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US channels. This may change a class rule.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SI's.
- 3.4. [DP] While racing, 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. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The following are eligible to enter:
- 4.1.1. a one-design class provided no less than 3 boats have registered for that class, or
  - 4.1.2. PHRF- Spinnaker provided no less than 3 boats have registered for this class, or
  - 4.1.3. PHRF Main and Jib provided no less than 3 boats have registered for this class.
- 4.2. Potential one-design classes include: J/70, J/22, J/88, J/111, Shark 24, Beneteau 36.7. If your Class is not listed, please email don@rcryachts.com to propose inclusion in the event.
- 4.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form at:  
[https://yachtscoring.com/event\\_registration\\_email.cfm?eID=15668](https://yachtscoring.com/event_registration_email.cfm?eID=15668)
- 4.4. A boat is considered registered after both the online registration has been completed and the entry fee has been received by the organizing authority. Registration closes on July 28, 2023 at 2100 hours.

#### 5. FEES

- 5.1. The entry fee will be based on the LOA as follows:

Boat LOA	Entries Fees (USD)
Up to and including 24'	\$125
25' – 30'	\$175
31' – 35'	\$200
Over 36'	\$225

#### 6. ADVERTISING

- 6.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies [DP].

#### 7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1. Registration
- Friday July 28, 2023 from 1600 to 2100 hours.
- 7.2. Dates of racing:
- Saturday July 29, 2023 and Sunday July 30, 2023 for all classes.
- 7.3. Number of races:
- The race committee intends to run as many races as viable each day.
- 7.4. The scheduled time of the first warning signal each day is 1100 hours.
- 7.5. No warning signal will be made after 1530 on Saturday July 29.
- 7.6. No warning signal will be made after 1400 on Sunday July 30.

7.7. Awards will be presented at approximately 1600 on July 30, 2023 or as soon as possible after racing.

## **8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

8.1. Each boat sailing in a PHRF class shall have a valid PHRF-LO rating certificate or validate their entry with permission from the Organizing Authority. This changes RRS 78.2.

8.2. Boats shall comply with RRS 78.1 while racing [DP].

## **9. VENUE**

9.1. The racing areas will be on Lake Ontario near the mouth of the Niagara River.

## **10. THE COURSES**

10.1. Courses will be windward/leeward, triangle, or a variation of those. The number of racing areas, specific locations, and courses to be sailed will be provided in the Sailing Instructions. Class/Racing area assignments are subject to entries received. Pursuit Class will sail a course as determined by the Race Committee.

## **11. PENALTY SYSTEM**

11.1. RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.

11.2. US Sailing Prescription Appendix V1 - PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT, will apply. This changes RRS 44.1.

## **12. SCORING**

12.1. One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

12.2. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.1.

12.3. For PHRF Spinnaker and PHRF Main and Jib classes, the corrected time will be calculated using PHRF-LO time-on-time scoring using the PHRF-LO endorsed Alternate Formula.

12.4. A high point system will be used to determine the score for Canada or USA for the CanAm Challenge provided 10 boats from each country compete. The score will include the results from all classes.

## **13. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

13.1. Boats that use the crane hoist are permitted to haul out during the regatta. Hoist and trailer accommodations are limited, and haul-outs will be first come, first served.

13.2. All other boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee [DP].

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

14.1. 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 regatta [DP].

## **15. RISK STATEMENT**

15.1. 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.**

## **16. INSURANCE**

16.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000 per incident or the equivalent. Competitors shall be prepared to supply proof of insurance upon request by the OA [DP].

## **17. PRIZES**

17.1. Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 boats in each class except when a total of 3 boats constitutes a class, the top 2 boats will be awarded prizes.

17.2. The CanAm Challenge perpetual prize will be awarded to the nation with the best overall score provided 10 boats from each country compete.

## **18. FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further general information, check see <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15668>. For questions of eligibility and participating classes, contact Don Finkle (716) 695-4328, (don@rcryachts.com). General event questions should be directed to regatta chair: Mike DeDario (mikededario@gmail.com).