



**YOUNGSTOWN YACHT CLUB
JULY 23 – 24, 2016**

**J/70 GREAT LAKES CHAMPIONSHIP
JULY 22, 23, 24, 2016**

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES: The Regatta shall be governed by the International Sailing Federation *Racing Rules of Sailing 2013 -2016*, the prescriptions of *US Sailing* and the rules of each Class concerned, except as any of these are modified by the Notice of Race, and by the Sailing Instructions (and any amendments thereto). Competitor advertising will comply with ISAF Regulation 20.

2. ELIGIBILITY: The Regatta is open to all one-design boats in classes that meet the minimum requirement of five (5) registered boats. Eligible boats may enter by completing registration (see NOR Section 4). The Regatta will also have Pursuit class(es) with a minimum of two (2) boats required.

3. SCHEDULE:

- Registration is from 1600 to 2100 hours on Thursday, July 21, 1500 to 2200 hours on Friday, July 22 and from 0800 to 0900 hours on Saturday, July 23.
- Racing for the J70 Great Lakes Championship competitors will be on Friday, July 22, Saturday, July 23 and Sunday, July 24
- Racing for all other classes on designated course areas on Saturday, July 23 and Sunday, July 24.
- Skipper's meeting for the Pursuit class(es) will be held on Saturday, July 23 at 0900 hours. No skipper's meeting will be held for one-design classes or J70 Class.
- The first warning signal for one-design and pursuit and J70 classes will be 1000 hours each racing day.
- It is the intent of the Organizing Authority and the Race Committee to run as many races as practical on each day of racing up to a maximum of eight (8) races for the event, except the J70 Class which will have a maximum of twelve (12) races for the event. No starting sequence will commence after 1400 hours on Sunday, July 24. The pursuit class(es) will have one (1) race per day.
- Awards presented at approximately 1600 hours on July 24, or as soon as possible following racing.

4. REGISTRATION: Complete the entry form online at: www.yachtscoring.com

5. FEES:

- A completed entry form shall be accompanied by an entry fee:
 - J70 Great Lakes Championship competitors = \$225Other one-design and pursuit classes:
 - Up to 25' = \$195
 - 26'-29' = \$245
 - 30'-34' = \$285
 - 35'-39' = \$325
 - 40'+ = \$355

- An additional \$50 late fee will be applied to entries completed after July 1, 2016
- Cancellations after July 22nd are non-refundable for one-design and pursuit classes and after July 21st for J70 Great Lakes Championship competitors.

6. INSPECTION: Absent a protest, boats will not be inspected.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Available at www.yachtscoring.com, posted by July 15, 2016. They will be distributed at the YYC Regatta Office after 1600 hours on July 21, 2016. The pursuit class(es) will have separate SI's, differing from the one-design classes.

8. COURSES: Courses for one-design classes on Lake Ontario off the Niagara River will be set using inflatable marks around closed courses selected by the Race Committee. Courses for pursuit class(es) will be announced at the skipper's meeting on Saturday, July 23.

9. SCORING: The low-point scoring system, rule A4 shall apply, and is modified so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with no scores discarded. The pursuit class(es) will have separate scoring each day. The pursuit classes will use the PHRF handicap rating for starting sequence, but are scored using the low-point scoring system. The overall CanAm Challenge winner is determined using the high-point scoring system of all classes combined.

10. PENALTY SYSTEMS: For all classes, except the 8 Metres, the Two-Turns Penalty (rules 44.1 and 44.2) shall apply. For the 8 Metres, the 20% percentage scoring Penalty (rule 44.3) shall apply. For all classes except 8 Meters, the first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One Turn Penalty when it may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty, Rule 44.3 scoring penalty shall not apply."

11. ARBITRATION: US Sailing Prescription Appendix T, Sections B (Post-Race Penalties) and D (Arbitration) apply.

12. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS: There are no restrictions on hauling boats during the regatta that use the crane hoist. Hoist and trailer accommodations on Friday July 22nd and Saturday July 23th are limited and haul-outs will be first come, first served. All other boats may be hauled during the regatta only with written permission of the Race Committee.

13. PRIZES: Prizes shall be awarded by class. An overall perpetual prize will be awarded to the winning country, Canada or USA, based on the high-point scoring system. The overall scoring includes one-design classes and pursuit classes.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY: Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

15. INSURANCE: Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION: For further general information, check the regatta websites www.yccanam.com or www.yachtscoring.com. For questions of eligibility and participating classes, contact Don Finkle (716) 695-4328, don@rcryachts.com. General event questions should go to regatta co-chairs Jason Suitor (jts1@internationalchimney.com) and Tim Finkle (timfinkle@rcryachts.com).

17. AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE: The Organizing Authority reserves the right to amend this notice. Any amendments of this notice made prior to July 20, 2016 will be posted on www.yachtscoring.com. All amendments will be posted on the official notice board.