



J-Days

J/70 Canadian Championship 2016
J/24 Fall One design

September 23rd – 25th, 2016
Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined by the current edition of *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Sail Canada shall apply.
- 1.3 The J/70 and J/24 Class Rules shall apply to their respective fleets.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors shall be posted on the official notice board located at the entrance to the Ward Room in the main club house.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions shall be posted before 0900hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races shall be posted by 1800hrs on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore shall be displayed from the flagstaff on the water side of the RNSYS Clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in the race signal AP.
- 4.3 When flag Y is displayed ashore, Rule 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Dates of racing for the J/70 class are Friday September 23rd, Saturday September 24th and Sunday September 25th, 2016.
- 5.2 Dates of racing for the J/24 class are Saturday September 24th and Sunday September 25th, 2016.
- 5.3 Up to nine (9) races are scheduled with no more than four (4) races in one day.
- 5.4 A competitor's meeting will be held in or near the Ward Room at 0900hrs each day.
- 5.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on each day is 1030hrs.
- 5.6 For the J/70 class, no warning signal shall be made after 1300hrs on Sunday, September 25th.
- 5.7 For the J/24 class, no warning signal shall be made after 1500hrs on Sunday, September 25th.

6 CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 Class flags shall be:

Class	Flag
J/70	Dark Blue
J/24	Red

7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 Races shall be run in the approaches to Halifax Harbour. Attachment A shows the racing area to be used.
- 7.2 Both fleets will use the same signal boat and marks.
- 7.3 It is the intention of the Race Committee to set the start area in the vicinity of Lighthouse Bank.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The courses will be Windward/Leeward with a gate for both classes.
- 8.2 Attachment B shows the course layout, marks and the side they are to be left.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Marks of the course shall be yellow inflatable tetrahedrons.
- 9.2 The starting mark shall be a small orange tetrahedron.
- 9.3 The finish mark shall be a small orange tetrahedron.
- 9.4 The change mark shall be a large orange tetrahedron.

10 THE START

- 10.1 Races shall be started by using Rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2 The starting line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and the start mark on the port side of the signal boat.
- 10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area. The starting area is defined as a 75-metre radius around the starting line and its marks.
- 10.4 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes Rule A4.
- 10.5 The race committee will attempt to broadcast on VHF channel 72 or hail the sail number of boats that are OCS. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes Rule 62.1(a).

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1 To change the net leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 11.2 For both classes a change of course will indicate a change of the windward mark.

12 THE FINISH

The finish line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and the finish mark **on the starboard side** of the signal boat.

13 INTERFERENCE WITH SHIPPING

- 13.1 Any yacht that interferes with the orderly passage of a naval or commercial ship shall be subject to protest by the Race Committee and may be denied entry to subsequent events following investigation by Sail Nova Scotia. All yachts are encouraged to monitor VHF channel 12, Halifax Traffic Control, while in Halifax harbour.

14 TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 For both classes the time limit shall be 1.5 hours for each race.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within these times shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes Rules 35 and A4.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protest forms are available from the Sailing Office on the third floor of the Clubhouse. Protests shall be delivered to the Sailing Office within the protest time limit.
- 15.2 For both classes, the protest time limit shall be one (1) hour after the signal boat docks.

16 SCORING

- 16.1 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2 For all competitors a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores (no drops).

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 Each yacht shall inform the RC of her intention to race either via VHF channel 72 or by sailing past the stern of the RC vessel and hailing before the first warning signal of the day. Check-in is not complete until a response is received from the RC.
- 17.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the appropriate race committee as soon as possible.

18 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

19 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.

20 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 20.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio transmissions not available to all boats. Mobile telephones and other wireless devices shall not be used to obtain information relevant to the race that is not available to all boats.
- 20.2 The Race Committee will use VHF channel 72 for broadcasts to competitors and as the main working channel.

21 PRIZES

- 21.1 Prizes shall be awarded after racing on Sunday
- 21.2 The top three boats in each class will receive prizes.
- 21.2 The top J/70 will be titled Canadian J/70 Class Champion.

20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron, the owner, person in charge and each crew member agree: that they understand that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of serious bodily injury (including permanent disability, paralysis and death by drowning or otherwise), property damage and other economic loss; that the safety of the boat and her crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility and at their own risk, see RRS 4 "Decision to Race"; that the Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, sponsors, or agents will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property, or to any participant, including injury or death; and that each of them releases and waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against the Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, sponsors or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity. Assistance, if any, from the race committee or other Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron vessels, or from any personnel manning them, is at the risk of the participant.

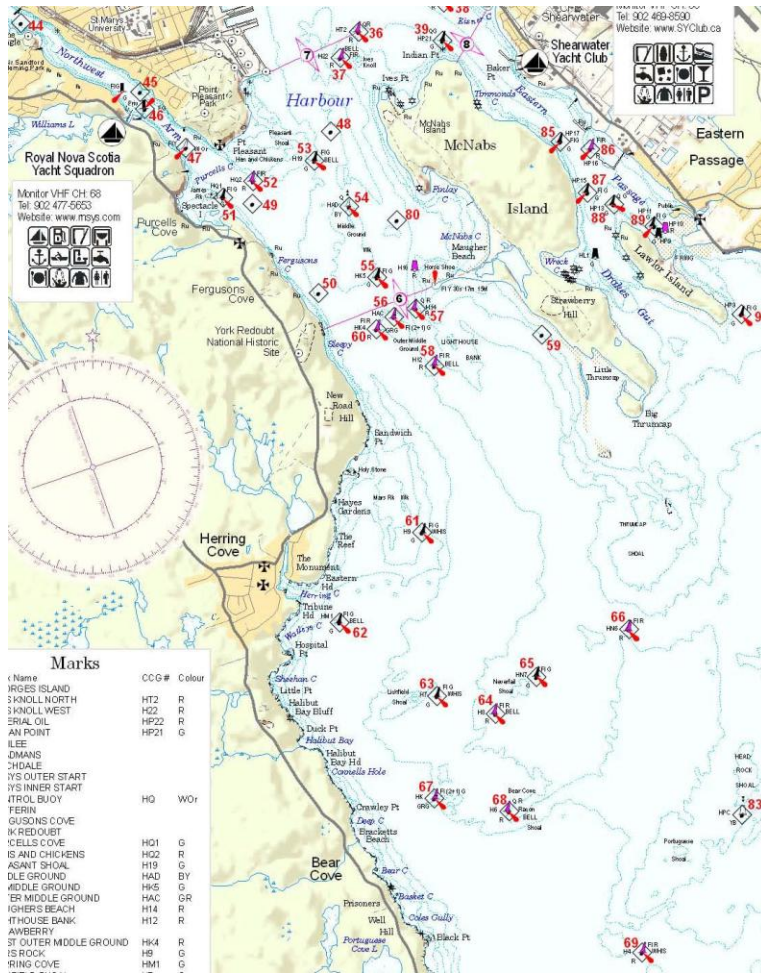
21 INSURANCE

Participating yachts shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$1,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

22 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 22.1 For further information please contact the RNSYS Race Director at racedirector@rnsys.com or (902) 477-5653 ext.109.
- 22.2 Contact for the J/70 fleet is Graham Garr at j70can491@gmail.com.
- 22.3 Contact for the J/24 fleet is Chris Veinot at veinotc@gmail.com or (902) 981-8900.

Attachment A



Attachment B

Start - 1 - Gate - 1 - Finish

