



# NEW YORK YACHT CLUB RACE WEEK AT NEWPORT

Presented by Rolex



**New York Yacht Club  
Harbour Court, Newport, Rhode Island  
July 12-19, 2014**

## **NOTICE OF RACE**

### **GENERAL**

New York Yacht Club Race Week at Newport presented by Rolex will have two parts:

**Part I** Classics Weekend on Saturday & Sunday, July 12-13 with racing for Classics, 12 Metres and 6 Metres

**Part II** One-Design & Handicap classes racing on Wednesday to Saturday, July 16-19. In addition to buoy racing, a mid-distance race will be included, conditions permitting. Racing may also include races using government marks and "stadium" racing. Starts will be given to classes with a minimum of eight entries or as approved by the Organizing Authority.

### **1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY AND VENUE**

- 1.1 The Organizing Authority (OA) is the New York Yacht Club Regatta Association, Inc.
- 1.2 The Race Week website can be found at <http://nyyc.org/yachting/racing/nyyc-race-week>.
- 1.3 All yachts shall enter online and shall pick up their boat packets at registration.
- 1.4 Registration, social activities and daily awards following racing each day will take place at New York Yacht Club (NYYC), Harbour Court, 5 Halidon Avenue, Newport, RI 02840.

### **2 RULES**

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) including the 2014 IRC Rules Parts A, B and C, the 2014 HPR Rules v.4, and the PHRF Regulations as administered by the PHRF of NB.
- 2.2 The sailing instructions may describe additional rule changes, including changes to specific class rules, which are not included in this notice of race.
- 2.3 The following documents shall apply and are posted as addenda on the Race Week website:
  - a) Addendum 1 – US Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER)
    - i. All yachts shall minimally comply with the US Nearshore section of the USSER and shall comply with their class rules, where applicable.
    - ii. USSER 2.4.1 through 2.4.8 regarding Hull and Structure: Lifelines shall apply, except that yachts not normally rigged with lifelines are exempt for these requirements and shall wear approved PFDs at all times while racing.
    - iii. In the event of a conflict between these Requirements and applicable class rules, the class rules shall apply.
  - b) Addendum 2 – US SAILING Prescriptions to the RRS. Only the prescriptions listed in this Addendum shall apply.
  - c) Addendum 3 – NYYC Classics Rules shall apply to all yachts racing in the Classics division.

- 2.4 The protest committee may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of any non-Part 2 rules. This changes RRS 64.1.

### 3 ADVERTISING

- 3.1 A boat and her crew shall comply with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code.
- 3.2 All yachts shall display the Rolex backstay flag (provided at registration) while racing.
- 3.3 All yachts entered in Part II shall display the Rolex bow stickers (provided at registration) while racing.

### 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 **Entry Forms:** The online entry form will be available on the Race Week website. The official entry form and entry fee shall be submitted online on or before Friday, July 4, 2014, at 1700. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the OA. Late fees will apply as described in NOR 5.2.
- 4.2 Entry is open to yachts with a minimum LOA of 25 feet that satisfy one or more of the entry requirements in NOR 4.3 to 4.7, or to a class invited by the OA. In addition to the dates listed below, all such yachts may compete in Part II on July 18. The OA reserves the right to limit the number of entries in any class. In addition, the OA may reject the entry of any yacht that may not fit the general parameters of the other yachts entered.
- 4.3 **IRC Yachts:** Entry is open to all yachts with a valid 2014 IRC certificate.
- a) IRC Rules 22.4.1 and 22.4.2 are changed to read:
    - i. The crew weight shall not exceed 85kg multiplied by the Crew Number printed on the certificate; OR
    - ii. The number of crew shall not exceed the crew number on the boat's IRC certificate with no weight limit.
    - iii. One additional crew under the age of 16 is permitted and shall not count against the crew or weight limit.
    - iv. Yachts electing the first option (crew weight) may weigh in during registration times shown in NOR 6.2. Scales will be available to any competitors to check their weight. Weighing in is not required; however, a yacht whose crew does not weigh in completely, and is later protested under this rule, shall make all crew available to be weighed in prior to the protest hearing in order to be scored.
  - b) IRC Rules 21.1.5 (d) and (e) are changed to require that the sails on board shall remain the same and be on board for all Drop Mark Course races during the regatta. This requirement does not apply to the Distance Race or any Navigator's Races as described in the sailing instructions.
  - c) Replacement sails may be permitted during the series in exceptional circumstances with the written permission of the Race Committee. A replacement sail will only be permitted if it is of similar cloth weight, area and design.
- 4.4 **HPR:** Entry is open to all yachts with a valid HPR certificate. Scoring will be time-on-time using the TCF's listed on the certificate. The HPR crew weight limit may be declared, but must conform to that listed on the HPR certificate.
- 4.5 **PHRF Yachts:** Entry is open to all yachts with a valid 2014 PHRF of Narragansett Bay certificate rating of 165 or faster. Yachts with a rating of 166 or higher will be permitted to enter at the discretion of the OA.
- a) There is no crew number or weight limitation, except as noted in NOR 3.7.
  - b) Yachts from other PHRF areas must obtain a PHRF certificate from PHRF-NB at <http://www.phrf-nb.org/>.
  - c) A **Double-handed class** will be offered if there is sufficient interest.
  - d) A non-spinnaker class may be offered if there is sufficient interest.
- Races will be run on July 16-19 using government marks or a middle distance race. Each day will be scored separately.
- 4.5 **Classic Yachts:** Entries are open to all Vintage and Classic yachts that meet the design, construction and equipment parameters described in NOR Addendum 3 – NYYC Classics Rules. All yachts must hold a valid CRF rating. A link to an application for a CRF rating can be found on the regatta website. A spinnaker class

may be added in accordance with the guidelines in Addendum 3 if there is sufficient interest. Be sure to indicate whether you are interested in racing in a spinnaker class. Classic Yachts will race on July 12-13. This regatta counts as the second part of the 2014 NYYC Classic Series.

- 4.6 **12 Metre Yachts:** Entry is open to all 12 Metre yachts holding a valid class certificate. The 12 Metre class will race on July 12-13, competing for the Newport Trophy.
- 4.7 **One-Design Yachts:** Entry is open to all classes that meet the LOA minimum of 25 feet with a minimum of eight entries. Entrants must meet all ownership, class membership (including crew eligibility requirements), sail measurement and crew weigh-in requirements as may be required by their class.
- a) One-design classes will race on July 16-19, except as noted in NOR 4.7(b) below;
  - b) At the discretion of the OA, one-design classes may arrange a different schedule by contacting the NYYC Sailing Director at [sailingoffice@nyyc.org](mailto:sailingoffice@nyyc.org).
- 4.8 Any supplemental entry forms, including crew liability waivers and crew lists, will be available on the Race Week website and shall be submitted, where required, no later than registration.

## 5 FEES

- 5.1 **Entry Fees:** To determine the applicable Entry Fee, a yacht's LOA is to be rounded downward to the nearest lower whole number (e.g., 49.65' = 49').

| Yacht size/type | Part I<br>(July 12-13) | Part II<br>(July 16-19) |
|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| LOA 29' or less | \$200                  | \$400                   |
| LOA 30' to 34'  | \$250                  | \$520                   |
| LOA 35' to 39'  | \$250                  | \$660                   |
| LOA 40' to 44'  | \$300                  | \$800                   |
| LOA 45' to 49'  | \$300                  | \$900                   |
| LOA 50' to 59'  | \$350                  | \$1000                  |
| LOA 60' or more | \$400                  | \$1000                  |
| PHRF            |                        | \$300                   |

- 5.2 **Late Entry fee:** A late fee of \$200 will be charged to entries received after 1700 on Friday, July 4.
- 5.3 **Administration fee:** Yachts withdrawing after 1700 on Friday, July 4, and before 1700 on Friday, July 11, will be refunded their entry fee minus a \$100 administration fee. Yachts withdrawing after 1700 on Friday, July 11, will not receive a refund.
- 5.4 **Late Rating Certificate fee:** A late certificate fee of \$200 will be charged for rating certificates filed after 1700 on Wednesday, July 9, as required in NOR 7.1.
- 5.5 **Closing Banquet Tickets**
- Dinner Tickets are not included in the entry fee. Race Week Dinner tickets will be available for purchase on the online entry form through Friday, July 4. Depending on availability, additional tickets can be purchased through the NYYC Special Events office or at registration.
- a) Sunday, July 13 – Classics Weekend Awards BBQ
  - b) Saturday, July 19 – Rolex Awards Dinner

## 6 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 6.1 **Registration:** All yachts shall pick up their regatta bags including class assignments, scratch sheets, bow stickers and backstay flags during the registration times listed in NOR 6.3. Registration will take place in the NYYC Sailing Center, Harbour Court, 5 Halidon Avenue, Newport, RI 02840.

- 6.2 The Hospitality Villa will be open during the times listed in NOR 6.3. Food and drinks, including daily specials, will be available.
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| Friday, July 11    | 1500-1800<br>1700-2000                      | Race Week Part I registration – NYYC Sailing Center<br>Informal Cocktails on the Upper Lawn   |
| Saturday, July 12  | 1100<br>1700-1900                           | First Warning Signal<br>Cocktails & Daily Awards  |
| Sunday, July 13    | 1100<br>1600-1900                           | First Warning Signal<br>BBQ Dinner & Final Awards   |
| Monday, July 14    |   | Layday  |
| Tuesday, July 15   | 1300<br>1500-1800                           | Practice Racing<br>Race Week Part II registration – NYYC Sailing Center   |
| Wednesday, July 16 | 0830-1000<br>1200<br>1500-1800<br>1700-1900 | Race Week Part II registration – NYYC Sailing Center<br>First Warning Signal<br>Race Week Part II registration – NYYC Sailing Center<br>Hospitality Villa |
| Thursday, July 17  | 0830-1000<br>1100<br>1600-1800<br>1700-1900 | Race Week Part II registration – NYYC Sailing Center<br>First Warning Signal<br>Race Week Part II registration – NYYC Sailing Center<br>Hospitality Villa |
| Friday, July 18    | 0830-1000<br>1100<br>1700-1900              | Race Week Part II registration – NYYC Sailing Center<br>First Warning Signal<br>Hospitality Villa   |
| Saturday, July 19  | 1100<br>1700-1800<br>1800-2100              | First Warning Signal<br>Cocktails<br>Rolex Awards Dinner  |

## 7 MEASUREMENT

- 7.1 Each yacht shall submit a valid certificate to the NYYC Sailing Office on or before Wednesday, July 9, at 1700.
- 12 Metre yachts shall submit a copy of their valid 2014 class certificate.
  - One-design yachts shall submit a copy of their valid class measurement certificate when one is required by their class rules.
  - PHRF yachts shall submit a copy of their valid 2014 PHRF-NB certificate.
  - IRC yachts shall submit a copy of their valid 2014 IRC certificate. No changes shall be made after this date without the permission of the OA.
  - HPR yachts shall submit a copy of their valid 2014 HPR certificate.
  - Classic yachts shall submit a copy of their valid CRF certificate.
- 7.2 Yachts, including all qualifying equipment and sails, may be subject to random inspection by the OA at any time during this event.
- 7.3 Crew weigh-ins will be conducted as needed during the registration times listed in NOR 6.3 or as permitted by the OA.

## 8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND CLASS ASSIGNMENTS

Sailing instructions and scratch sheets for NYYC Race Week presented by Rolex will be available on the Race Week website and at registration.

## 9 VENUE

Races will be held off Newport, RI, on Rhode Island Sound or in Narragansett Bay.

## 10 COURSES

Courses for all classes will be defined in the sailing instructions and may include buoy races, races using government marks, "stadium" sailing (short course windward/leeward) and a middle distance race. Conditions permitting, a middle distance race shall be scheduled during Part II as part of the series and will be announced no later than 2000 on the day prior to the scheduled race.

## 11 PENALTY SYSTEM

If class rules specify a penalty, a yacht that may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing may take a penalty at the time of the incident as provided in her class rules. All other penalties shall be as described in the sailing instructions.

## 12 SCORING

12.1 Multiple races are scheduled for Part I and Part II. For each Part, one race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

12.2 A yacht's series score will be the total of all of her race scores, without discard, unless changed in the sailing instructions for a specific one-design class.

## 13 PRIZES

13.1 Daily prizes may be awarded at Harbour Court each evening after racing as described in the sailing instructions.

13.2 Overall prizes for each part will be awarded in each class to the yachts placing first, second and third. In addition, prizes will be awarded to the fourth place yacht if fourteen or more entries, and fifth if twenty or more entries.

13.3 In addition, the New York Yacht Club may award the following prizes:

- a) **IRC:** The yacht in the IRC division with the best performance, in the opinion of the OA, will be awarded a Rolex timepiece provided that there are a minimum of forty starters or at the discretion of the OA.
- b) **HPR:** The yacht in the HPR division with the best performance, in the opinion of the OA, will be awarded a Rolex timepiece provided that there are a minimum of fifteen starters or at the discretion of the OA.
- c) **One-Design Overall:** The yacht in a One-Design class with the best overall performance in Part II, in the opinion of the OA, will be awarded a Rolex timepiece.
- d) **One-Design Nationals or North Americans:** The overall winner of each one-design class holding their National or North American championship, or as determined by the OA, may be awarded a Rolex timepiece at the discretion of the OA and depending on the number of yachts participating in each class. The classes qualifying for these timepieces will be designated at registration.
- e) If a one-design yacht qualifies for timepieces as described in both (c) and (d) above, only one timepiece shall be awarded.
- f) Other trophies may be awarded as determined by the OA and will be described in the sailing instructions.

## 14 LIABILITY & MEDIA WAIVER

14.1 As a condition of entry, each owner, skipper and individual participating crew member shall submit an online liability waiver/media release. The fully executed Liability & Media Waiver Form shall be submitted prior to racing. The waiver form link can be found on the Race Week website.

14.2 Media Waiver - Competitors and crew members on the competing yachts grant, at no cost, the New York Yacht Club Regatta Association, Inc., New York Yacht Club, Rolex S.A., Rolex Watch U.S.A and affiliated companies the absolute right and permission to use their name, voice, image, likeness, biographical material as well as representations of the boats in any media worldwide (being television, print and internet media), including video footage, for the sole purposes of advertising, promoting, reporting and disseminating information regarding Race Week and the participants in Race Week.

14.3 Yachts shall not be scored unless the skipper/person-in-charge has submitted a liability & media waiver form.

14.4 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, New York Yacht Club, Rolex Watch U.S.A. and affiliated companies, and other sponsors 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. Attention is also drawn to ISAF Offshore Special Regulation 1.02, Responsibility of the Person in Charge.

**15 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, please visit the regatta website or contact the Sailing Office.

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