



**THE OLCOTT STOMP 2026
DEDICATED TO WILL HARRIS**

The Organizing Authority is the Youngstown Yacht Club (YYC) in conjunction with the Olcott Yacht Club (OYC)

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490 Water Street, Youngstown, NY 14174
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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

The notation '[DP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 1.2. Changes to the sailing instructions may be made on the water by announcing the change on VHF radio. Race signal L will be made no less than 1 minute prior to announcing the change.

2. COMMUNICATIONS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the event site:
<https://yyc.org/regatta/1DUyjmeFVm/#notice-board>
- 2.2. On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors via radio on VHF 69.
- 2.3. [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
- 2.4. All boats are asked to monitor VHF channel 16 after the start

3. CODE OF CONDUCT

- 3.1. [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the YYC flagpole or the OYC flagpole.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1. Olcott race is Saturday August 1, 2026

5.2. Wilson Pursuit race is Sunday August 2, 2026

5.3. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first class to start the Olcott race is 1100 Hrs.

5.4. The starting time for a yacht to start the Wilson Pursuit race is per SI Amendment #1

6. RACING AREA

Lake Ontario south shore between Youngstown and Keg Creek.

7. COURSES and MARKS

7.1. The Olcott Race Short Course

The course marks will be rounded in the following order:

Mark	Location	Description	Leave Mark to:
Start	43 16.561 079 3.041	YYC Olympic Circle Mark "5", White PVC Race Mark	Port
"C"	43 17.052 079 3.175	YYC Olympic Circle Mark "C", Orange PVC Race Mark The BEARING from Mark-5 to Mark "C" is approximately: 0 degrees magnetic	Starboard
Finish		Finish when the West light tower on the new breakwater bears at 180 degrees magnetic at a distance no greater than 100 yards	Starboard

7.2. Olcott Race Long Course

The course marks will be rounded in the following order:

Mark	Location	Description	Leave Mark to:
Start	43 16.561 079 3.041	YYC Olympic Circle Mark 5, White PVC Race Mark	Port
Niagara (R2)	43 19.04 079 4.235	Niagara Bar Lighted Buoy 2 - R "2" Fl R 4s	Starboard
Finish		Finish when the West light tower on the new breakwater bears at 180 degrees magnetic at a distance no greater than 100 yards	Starboard

7.3. Wilson Pursuit Race

The course marks will be rounded in the following order:

Mark	Description
Start	Yachts may NOT be East of the Finish described in SI 7.2 until after their allotted starting time. Yachts must START within 100 yards of the West light tower on the new breakwater.
OYC Race Mark 5	43 20.900 -78 41.950 (Approx 1-Mile East of pier). White cylinder with red stripes. Approx. 1 foot in diameter and 3 feet out of the water. Leave Mark to PORT.
Finish	Yachts are finished when they cross a line drawn MAGNETIC North from the East

	Wilson pier, within 100 meters of said pier
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8. THE START (Olcott Race Only)

- 8.1. Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 8.2. The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 8.3. [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 8.4. The start order is:
 - 8.4.1. Numeral Pennant 1; ALL SHORT COURSE BOATS
 - 8.4.2. Numeral Pennant 2; ALL LONG COURSE BOATS
- 8.5. If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

9. THE FINISH

- 9.1. For the Olcott Race; please take your own time using GPS or Cell Phone (www.time.is), when crossing finish line. Email your finish times to bangalore@kevindoyle.net or bring written times to Bangalore 14174 after the race
- 9.2. For the Wilson Race, you finish when you comply with SI 7.3, *Finish*
 - 9.2.1. Please sent the names of the boat that finished ahead of you and the boat behind you to bangalore@kevindoyle.net and I will bet the results up on the REGATTA site (THE NEXT DAY).

10. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

There are no time limits or target times.

11. HEARING REQUESTS (Please don't; it is a Stomp for goodness sake)

- 11.1. For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat in her class has finished.
- 11.2. Hearing request forms are available at [USSailing Hearing Request](#).
- 11.3. Notices will be posted no later than 2 hours after the last boat in the respective class finishes to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in a public location to be announced. All are welcome to attend.

12. SCORING

- 12.1. The Olcott Race PHRF finish positions will be calculated using the PHRF-LO Point to Point (P2P) rating using PHRF-LO time-on-time scoring using the current Primary Formula.
- 12.2. The Wilson Pursuit race start times will be calculated using PHRF-LO Pursuit Racing - P2P – Time-on-distance formula

13. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 13.1. [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable

opportunity.

14. PRIZES

Bragging Rights (sorry; no fabulous cash prizes)

15. RISK STATEMENT

15.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race.

15.2. 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. PLEASE BE AWARE OF THE SINGLE AND DOUBLE-HANDED BOATS. BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR!