

YOUNGSTOWN YACHT CLUB

and

NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE SAILING CLUB



The organizing authority is Youngstown Yacht Club.

2022 Sailing Instructions

For the Practice Race and the Ravine Vineyard Series

1 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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.

2 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the YYC Clubhouse. Notices may be duplicated on the "Notice Board" page on the web site of the host club. Failure to post notices on the web site in a timely fashion will not be grounds for redress.
- 2.2 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 69.

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 Signals made ashore will be made at the YYC flagpole.
- 3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 The dates of racing are Wednesdays
 - (a) Practice Race: May 25.
 - (b) Clan MacLeod Series: June 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29.
- 4.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first class is 1845.
- 4.3 One race is scheduled to be run each day.

5 CLASS AND IDENTIFICATION FLAGS

5.1 The Class flags are:

Class	Class Flag	Identification Flag
Not Flying Spinnaker (NFS)	Numeral pennant 2	Numeral pennant 2
PHRF II	Numeral Pennant 3	Numeral Pennant 3
PHRF I	Numeral Pennant 4	Numeral Pennant 4

5.2 [DP] Identification flags shall be not less than 40 cm (16") long and shall be prominently displayed from the backstay.

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6 RACING AREA

The races will be held at the Olympic Circle.

7 COURSES

7.1 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the courses as the marks to be rounded in the order in which they are to be rounded. Marks are to be left to port.

8 MARKS

- 8.1 Marks are as described in NoR 9.
- 8.2 The starting marks are the race committee signal vessel and the first mark on the course board.
- 8.3 The starting finishing are the race committee signal vessel and the last mark on the course board.

9 THE START

- 9.1 The starting line is a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the starting mark.
- 9.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 9.3 The starting sequence will typically follow the class sequence in 5.1 above. Failure of the race committee to follow that sequence will not be grounds for redress.
- 9.4 More than one class may be started at one time.
- 9.5 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

10 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

A course change will be announced verbally on VHF 69. This changes RRS 33.

11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finishing line is a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.
- 11.2 If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes she should report her finishing time and her position relative to nearby racing boats to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

12 TIME LIMITS

- 12.1 The time limit is 2 hours after the class starting time.
- 12.2 Boats failing to finish within 2 hours and 30 minutes after the class starting time will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

13 HEARING REQUESTS

- 13.1 The protest time limit is 1200 on the day following the race.
- 13.2 Hearing request forms are available from the race office at https://niagaraonthelakesailingclub.com/pdf/nolsc_vyc_hearing_request_form.docx
- 13.3 Protests shall be filed by email to: amyr@yyc.org
- 13.4 Notices will be posted no later than 72 hours after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

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14 SAFETY REGULATIONS

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