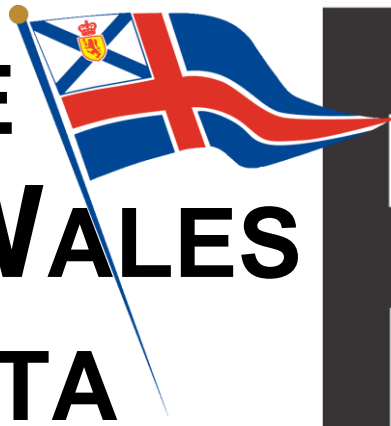


PRINCE OF WALES REGATTA



Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron
September 19th & 20th, 2020

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020*.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Sail Canada shall apply.
- 1.3 Boats shall compete with equipment that is compliant with their Sail Nova Scotia PHRF-NS certificate.
- 1.4 Boats shall abide by the crew limits as outlined in the table below to ensure a more even race under the current provincial Covid-19 guidelines.

<u>LOA (feet)</u>	<u>Max Crew</u>
29, 30, 31	7
32, 33, 34	8
35, 36, 37	9
38 and up	10
- 1.5 Each race shall be run in accordance with the deed of gift associated with it.
- 1.6 RRS 48 *Fog Signals And Lights; Traffic Separation Schemes* shall not apply during racing. However competitors are reminded of SI 19 *Interference With Shipping* and of their obligation to race in a safe and seaman-like manner at all times.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors shall be posted on the official notice board located online on the RNSYS website under Race Documents <<https://rnsys.com/sailing/race-documents.html>>.
- 2.2 Competing yachts shall monitor VHF channel 72 for broadcasts to competitors and general Race Committee communications.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions shall be posted before 0900hr on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races shall be posted by 2000hr on the day before it will take effect.



4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore shall be displayed on the flagstaff on the East side of the RNSYS Club House.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 4.3 When flag Y is displayed ashore, rule 40.1 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The race for the Wenonah Cup will take place on Saturday, September 19th.
- 5.2 The race for the Prince of Wales Trophy will take place on Sunday, September 20th.
- 5.3 Should any race be incomplete it shall be re-scheduled for Saturday, September 26th. Further re-scheduling will be announced as needed.
- 5.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal each day is 1100hr.

6 HANDICAPS

Yachts shall have a valid Sail Nova Scotia PHRF rating listed on the Sail Nova Scotia yacht database. Boats not listed on this database will be given a provisional handicap at the time of registration. This provisional handicap cannot be contested during the course of the regatta.

7 CLASSES

All eligible boats shall race as one class.

8 CLASS FLAGS

The class flag shall be blue.

9 RACING AREAS

Racing shall take place in Halifax Harbour and its approaches.

10 THE COURSE

- 10.1 Courses shall be constructed using marks as described in the Sail Nova Scotia Course Card and SI 10.2.
- 10.2 When marks 82, 84, 93 or 94 are listed as a mark of the course, the race committee shall display 1) a bearing relative to the previous mark or 2) a bearing relative to the signal boat if the mark is to be used as the first windward mark of the course.
- 10.3 Prior to the warning signal for each race the signal boat shall display the course to be sailed by listing the numbers corresponding to the marks to be rounded and the side on which they are to be left on a course board mounted on the starboard side of the signal vessel.
- 10.4 Boats shall visually identify all marks of the course as the Sail Nova Scotia Course Card is to be used as a guide, not as an official navigational aid.

11 MARKS

- 11.1 Marks shall be as described by the Sail Nova Scotia Course Card except as described in SI 11.2.
- 11.2 Mark 82 shall be a yellow inflatable tetrahedron. Mark 84 shall be an orange inflatable tetrahedron. Mark 93 shall be a red inflatable tetrahedron. Mark 94 shall be HMCS Oriole.
- 11.3 The start and finishing mark shall be the main mast of HMCS Oriole. If HMCS Oriole is not present then the start and finishing mark shall be an inflatable yellow pin.



12 PROHIBITED AREAS

The following navigational buoys shall be passed on the proper side, unless they are marks of the course:

Hens and Chickens	HQ2	Point Pleasant	H19
Purcell's Cove	HQ1	Ives Knoll North	HT2

13 THE START

- 13.1 Races shall be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 13.2 The starting line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and the start mark.
- 13.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.
- 13.4 A best effort will be made to hail OCS calls on channel 72. Failure to do so or to time it accurately shall not be grounds for redress.

14 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 14.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee vessel signaling the change shall indicate the new course using a list of the new marks and the sides on which they are to be left. This changes Rule 33.
- 14.2 Course changes will be broadcast on VHF 72 as the primary means of communication.

15 THE FINISH

The finish line shall be sighted between a staff displaying an orange flag and the finishing mark.

16 TIME LIMITS

Boats failing to finish within 7 hours shall be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rule 35.

17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 17.1 Electronic protest forms are available online on the RNSYS website under Race Documents <<https://rnsys.com/sailing/race-documents.html>>. Protest forms shall be emailed to the Race Director <racedirector@rnsys.com> within the protest time limit.
- 17.2 The protest time limit is 1 hour after the signal boat docks.
- 17.3 Interested parties will be notified by email and/or phone and/or personal communication within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform them of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

18 SCORING

- 18.1 One (1) race is required to be completed for each trophy.
- 18.2 Races shall be scored using the PHRF Time on Distance formula. The distance shall be the rhumb line course of the race as measured by the Race Committee.
- 18.3 Once scores have been posted the race committee shall notify all competitors by email.
- 18.4 A minimum of seven (7) boats are required to start a race for that race to be scored.



19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 Boats are required to check in with the race committee prior to the warning signal once the signal boat is in position. Check in may be done by VHF Channel 72 or by verbal confirmation with a race official on the signal boat. The check in shall include the yacht name, sail number and number of persons on board. Check-in is not complete until a response is received from the RC.
- 19.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

20 INTERFERENCE WITH SHIPPING

- 20.1 Yachts shall not interfere with the orderly passage of a naval or commercial ship.
- 20.2 Any yacht breaching SI 19.1 will be subject to protest by the Race Committee and may be denied entry to subsequent events.
- 20.3 Serious or continued breaches of SI 19.1 may be investigated by the Organizing Authority and/or Sail Nova Scotia to determine if further action is appropriate and what such action may be.
- 20.4 All yachts are encouraged to monitor VHF channel 12, Halifax Traffic Control, while in Halifax harbour.
- 20.5 Engines may be used in an emergency. Details are to be reported to the Race Committee and requests for redress under Rule 62 may be made.

21 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

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

22 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 22.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 22.2 The Race Committee will use VHF channel 72 as the primary working channel.
- 22.3 The Race Committee will use the VHF as the primary means of communication with the competitors. Normal race procedures will be followed but competitors are to keep a listening watch on VHF channel 72 at all times for information and updates from the RC including course changes and RC intentions.

23 PRIZES

- 23.1 The Wenonah Cup will be awarded to the first place boat in the Wenonah race on Saturday.
- 23.2 The Prince of Wales Trophy will be awarded to the first place boat in the Prince of Wales race on Sunday.
- 23.3 The Oland-Passow trophy will be awarded to the boat with the best overall score from both races.



24 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.

25 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 CAD per event or the equivalent.

26 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 26.1 Additional information may be provided via the RNSYS website (<http://www.rnsys.com>), RNSYS e-mail blasts, through the RNSYS Facebook page (<http://www.facebook.com/rnsys>).
- 26.2 For further information please contact the RNSYS Race Director at racedirector@rnsys.com or (902) 414-3284 or the Vice Commodore of Sailing at vcsailing@rnsys.com.

