

the Absolute Bloody Final race of 2018

Well, except for those loonies down the arm that like to keep going just a little bit longer.
And the dinghy kids who seem to be numb from the neck down. It sounds good though, right?

October 13th, 2018

Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta shall be loosely governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-22*.
- 1.2 The Racing Rules of Sailing shall be modified as follows:
 - RRS 41, 42, 43 shall not apply.
 - RRS 44.2 is modified to include loud and mournful mooing noises throughout the manouver.
 - RRS 47.2 is modified so that any persons returning to the boat shall bring snacks and/or drinks with them.
 - RRS 50.1 shall not apply.
- 1.3 Rules of the Sail Nova Scotia PHRF-NS fleet and any other applicable class association shall not apply.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors shall be posted.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions may be made too late for anyone to act on them. Any change to the schedule of races shall be posted after they take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the wardroom bar.
- 3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with '1 minute' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 For all participants, one "race" is scheduled for Saturday, October 13th.
- 5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal is 1230hr.

6 FLEETS AND CLASS FLAGS

The class flag is yellow. Y'all are racing together, play nice.

7 RACING AREAS

The race shall be run in Halifax Harbour and around the club. The Sail Nova Scotia Course Card shows the racing area and is available online (<http://rnsys.com/sailing/race-documents>).

8 THE COURSE

- 8.1 The course shall consist of marks taken from the Sail Nova Scotia Course Card.

8.2 The course will consist of the sequential rounding of marks 51 to 61, starting with a starboard rounding and then alternating port and starboard roundings.

9 MARKS

9.1 The Sail Nova Scotia Course Card shows the marks to be used except that the following changes are to be made:

Mystical sea creatures are to be drawn in areas that indicate water.

The reverse side (Bedford Basin) is to be soundly derided.

To-do lists, random notes, poetry and the occasional doodle are to be added to the areas that indicate land.

The RNSYS is to be highlighted in a suitably grandiose manner.

Mark 82 Yellow inflatable

Mark 84 Orange inflatable

Mark 59 A 360 spin in open water

9.2 Yachts shall take a picture of all marks of the course.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

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

Middle Ground	HAD	Halifax Charlie	HC
Wellesley	H46	Eastern Passage Entrance	HP

11 THE START

11.1 Races shall be started with the warning signal given 30 seconds before the starting signal. This changes RRS 26.

11.2 The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and Georges Island.

11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area. The starting area is defined as a 3 mile radius around the starting line and its marks.

11.3 A boat starting later than 5 seconds after her starting signal will be boo'd by the RC.

11.3 The Race Committee will attempt to broadcast or hail the sail number of boats on VHF channel 72. 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).

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

Don't be silly, we're not changing this. You're on your own out there, get it done, or not, the choice is yours. This changes rule 33.

13 THE FINISH

The finish line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag and the Wardroom bar.

14 TIME LIMITS

14.1 Time limits are as follows:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Time limit</i>
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All Classes	Tuesday
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14.2 Boats failing to finish within the time limit shall be pitied greatly. This doesn't actually change any rules.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Protest forms are forbidden. Protests shall be settled by a civilized roll of a die.

15.2 The protest time limit shall be 10 minutes before the first boat in her class has finished.

15.3 Protests shall be heard as soon as practical after the protest time limit has expired

16 SCORING

- 16.1 No races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2 The race shall be scored using a number of factors contained within these instructions.
- 16.3 Consideration will be made for the most over dressed crew member and best decorated anchor.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 Prior to her preparatory signal each yacht shall inform the RC of her intention to race by sailing past the stern of the Signal Boat and hailing. The check in shall include the yacht name, favourite colour, the word of the day and a lusty rendition of the Littlest Hobo theme song. All members of the crew shall give the scout salute during check in. Check-in is not complete until a response is received from the RC.
- 17.2 Yachts shall not interfere with the orderly passage of a naval or commercial ship.
- 17.3 Any yacht breaching SI 17.2 will be run down by a very large ship. Tears will be shed.
- 17.4 Serious or continued breaches of SI 17.2 will earn the unbridled rage of the race officer and the derision of the commercial users of the harbour.
- 17.5 All yachts are encouraged to monitor VHF channel 12, Halifax Traffic Control, as well as the race channel (72) and 16 while in Halifax harbour. You guys can do all that, yes?
- 17.6 Engines may be used. Details are to be reported to the Race Committee. Video proof is encouraged.

18 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 18.1 All yachts are expected to have tunes playing at all times. Commercial radio stations are allowed as are personal collections stored on digital media. CDs, if required, carry an additional time penalty.
- 18.2 The word of the day is kumquat.
- 18.3 The Race Committee will use VHF channel 72 as the working channel.

19 PRIZES

Oh, we got prizes! Oh, you mean you folks want prizes too? Whatever for?? Surely the joy of taking part, the fine times with great companions and appreciation of the hard work put in by the Race Committee provides satisfaction enough? No? Geesh, fine, we'll go find you something. It might be alcohol related.

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, getting cold and wet, maybe sunburn 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. Wow, that was scary and over-powered, I even checked it with a

lawyer and he agreed. No-one reads it though, just a waste of perfectly good ink. I should slip something in here, just to make a point that no-one reads it, like how anyone that sings the theme from Pinky and the Brain gets extra points. Yeah, I'll do that, just for giggles.

21 INSURANCE

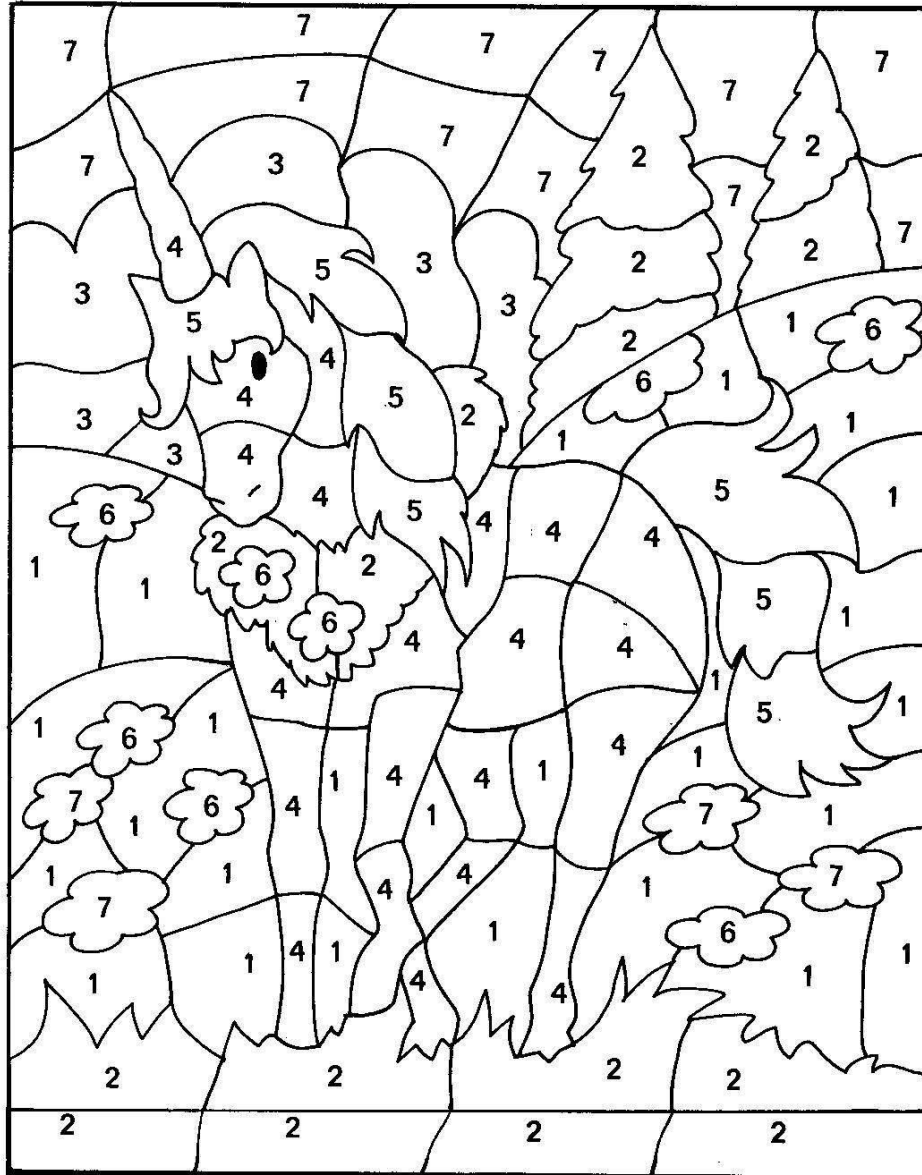
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 CAD per event or the equivalent.

22 FURTHER INFORMATION

22.1 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>) and Twitter feed (@RNSYS). But we'll probably just leave you guessing.

22.2 For further information please contact the RNSYS Race Director at racedirector@rnsys.com or (902) 477-5653 ext.109. By the way, that phone hasn't worked for years. In fact there isn't even a phone in the office.

Total



1-light green 2-dark green 3-white 4-yellow
 5-orange 6-pink 7-purple