

ETOBICOKE YACHT CLUB
INTRA CLUB TUESDAY NIGHT RACING
Organizing Authority (OA) –
Etobicoke Yacht Club, Toronto, Canada



2023 EVENT RULES
(NOTICE OF RACE & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS)

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, applies.

2. CHANGES TO EVENT RULES

- 2.1 Any changes to the event rules will be posted online at <https://www.eyc.ca/racing/weeknights/> before 1700 on the day they become effective.

3. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the online Official Notice Board located at <https://www.eyc.ca/racing/weeknights/>.
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF channel 8, 16 and 68.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF channel 8.
- 3.4 [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.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats holding a valid One-Design, Class or PHRF-Lake Ontario (PHRF-LO) rating certificate.
- 4.2 A minimum of 5 boats makes a class.
- 4.3 The organizing authority reserves the right to group similar boats together to form one or more open classes.
- 4.4 Eligible boats may only enter the event by registering online at <https://www.eyc.ca/registermidweekboat/>. Registered boats shall make payment of applicable racing fees prior to racing. Registrations will be accepted for each series until 1700 of the day the series starts.
- 4.5 Crew members are encouraged to register at <https://www.eyc.ca/registermidweekcrew/>.
- 4.6 To be considered an entry for weeknight racing, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

5. CREW LIMITATIONS

- 5.1 Boats 20 feet length overall (LOA) or more must have a minimum of 2 people on board while racing, unless otherwise specified by class rules.

6. EVENT SCHEDULE

- 6.1 **Tuesday Night Series** racing shall be comprised of 3, six race series (Spring, Summer and Fall), commencing May 9, 2023.
- 6.2 **Frostbite Series** racing shall be comprised of three races on Tuesday nights, commencing September 12, 2023.
- 6.3 The first warning signal for the **Tuesday Night Racing Series** will be made **1840**.

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6.4 The first warning signal for the **Frostbite Series** shall be determined by the race coordinator(s) and communicated one week prior to the first race night.

7. RISK STATEMENT

7.1 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.

8. INSURANCE

8.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability coverage of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) CAD per incident.

9. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

9.1 The signal vessel carrying the Race Officer shall make one courtesy sound signal upon departure from the harbour on the way to the race area.

9.2 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the signal vessel at its mooring.

9.3 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1' minute is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

10. DIVISIONS AND CLASS FLAGS

10.1 **Tuesday Night Series** divisions and class flags to be posted online by 1700 May 6, 2023.

10.2 **Frostbite Series** divisions and class flags will be determined by the race coordinators and communicated one week prior to the first race night.

11. EVENT VENUE

11.1 The center of the racing area will be located 1.35 NM on a bearing 150 degrees magnetic from the flashing red light on the point at the entrance to the EYC/Mimico Cruising Club (MCC) basin. The approximate location of the center of the racing area (Mark #9) is 43° 35.76 N and 79° 27.63 W.

12. COURSES AND MARKS

12.1 Courses shall be selected from fixed marks with numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 or yellow tetrahedron (s). The locations of the marks are defined online at https://www.eyc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/MCC-Race-Course-Mark-Position_Headings_Diagram-v.JOD-7th-Feb2022.pdf

12.2 The starting mark and finishing mark are defined as the mark of the course located nearest the signal vessel.

12.3 A yellow tetrahedron may be placed as a mark of the course (in case of a missing mark) or as a starting or finishing mark, near the signal boat. The letter "P" on the course board designates the use of the yellow tetrahedron.

12.4 **For White Sail Classes**, the course numbers/letter will be posted on the **bottom** course board of the signal boat in the order of passing, the first number being the first mark to be passed. All marks shall be kept to PORT. The last number posted indicates the finishing mark.

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12.5 **For Spinnaker Classes**, the course number/letter will be posted on the **top** course board of the signal boat. The course will be a windward /leeward course consisting of a number (1 through 8) or letter 'P' and alpha character (A or B), displayed in either order. The number denotes the first mark to be passed and the alpha character denotes a long or short course.

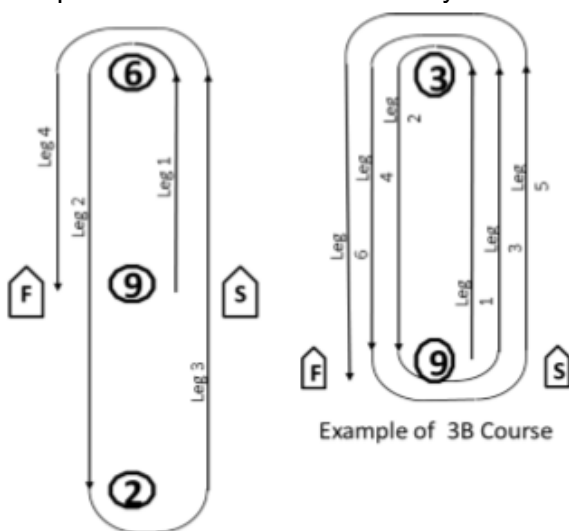
When the starting mark is Mark #9:

- If “**A**”, the course is: windward, leeward, windward, leeward to finish, its reciprocal mark directly across the race course returning to the 1st mark and finishing at the starting mark.
- If “**B**”, the course is three windward/leeward circuits, finishing at the starting mark.

If the starting mark is NOT Mark #9:

- The “**B**” course shall be used. Any mark of the course may be used as the first mark to be rounded, including Mark #9.

Examples of an A and B course may be seen below:



Example of 3B Course

Example of 6A Course

13. THE START

- 13.1 The Race Committee may give a courtesy pre-warning sound signal approximately 1 minute prior to the first warning signal.
- 13.2 All fleets are advised that the signal boat may combine 2 or more starts. Competitors should observe the class flags flown for each starting sequence.
- 13.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel and the course side of the mark nearest the signal boat.
- 13.4 [DP] [NP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other boats.
- 13.5 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at their starting signal and they are identified, the race committee will attempt to hail their sail number. Failure to hail their number, failure of them to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

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- 13.6 When a general recall has been signaled, the recalled class(es) shall restart after the final scheduled start. The warning signal for the first recalled class will be made one minute after the starting signal of the final scheduled class. If more than one class is recalled, the original starting order of the recalled classes shall be retained. This changes RRS 29.2.
- 13.7 A boat that does not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel and the course side of the mark nearest the signal boat.
- 14.2 If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should record her finishing time using GPS time and her position in relation to nearby boats to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 For boats with a spinnaker flying, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. The boat must fly its spinnaker again immediately after taking the penalty.

16 TIME LIMITS

- 16.1 The race time limit for each race is 2 hours. Boats that did not finish within the time limit will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2.

17 HEARING REQUESTS

- 17.1 A boat intending to protest another boat or boats under a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31 shall provide the information required by RRS 61.2 in an email to protest@eyc.ca within two hours of the signal boat docking. The protestor and protestee(s) will be contacted by the Chief Judge for an arbitration hearing. The arbitration hearing will be held on-line or in-person.
- 17.2 For all other protests, a hearing request form must be submitted by email to protest@eyc.ca by midnight of the evening the race was conducted. The protestor and protestee(s) will be contacted by the Chief Judge for a hearing. Hearings will be held on-line using Zoom or in-person. (A hearing request form is available from the Race Information bulletin board in the EYC clubhouse or online from <https://www.sailing.ca/protests-appeals/>.)
- 17.3 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted online at <https://www.eyc.ca/racing/weeknights/> to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

18 Scoring

- 18.1 Boats shall be scored using the PHRF-LO Alternate Time on Time handicap formula. Corrected times shall be rounded to the nearest second.
- 18.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 18.3 RRS A5.3 applies.
- 18.4 For each class, the qualifying number of races for the series' champions will be 70% (rounded to the nearest whole number) of the total number of completed races in that series. In any series if 3 or fewer races are completed then all races will count.
- 18.5 For each class, the qualifying number of races for the seasons' championship will be 70% (rounded to the nearest whole number) of the total number of completed races in the

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Spring, Summer and Fall series. If 8 or fewer races are completed in total for the season, then all races will count.

19 [DP] [NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 19.2 The owner of the boat and the crew are responsible for adhering to the ‘Concussion Codes of Conduct for both Participants and Leaders’, ‘Removal from Sport Protocols’ and ‘Return to Sport Protocols’. <https://ontariosailing.ca/concussion-information/>.

20 Prizes

- 20.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first three boats in each class for classes with five or more boats entered.
- 20.2 Additional awards may be presented.

21 Further Information

- 21.1 For further information, please contact:
 Etobicoke Yacht Club
 416-259-1159

PRACTICAL INFORMATION
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EMERGENCY PLAN:

In the event of damage or injury:

- 1. Contact Toronto Police Services Marine Unit
- 2. Contact the Race Committee VHF 16 or 08

Emergency Phone Numbers

Toronto Emergency Services	<p style="color: red;">For emergencies ONLY – 911</p> <p>BE PREPARED TO TELL 911:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Current location of injured person - Where you plan to bring injured person - Age/gender/number of injured people - Type of injury/situation - Your name and call back number
Toronto Police Services Marine Unit	VHF 16 or 12 416-808-5800
Canadian Coast Guard (Trenton)	VHF 16 1-800-267-7270
Etobicoke Yacht Club	VHF 68 416-259-1159
Signal Boat Charles McKeon	VHF 08

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