

# *Royal Hamilton Yacht Club and Burlington Sailing & Boating Club*

## 2017 Interclub Racing Series

May 9 to Sept 28, 2017

### **NOTICE OF RACE**

revised April 21, 2017

#### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Sail Canada will apply.
- 1.3 The PHRF Rules will apply to boats racing in PHRF divisions. The Portsmouth Rules will apply to boats racing in the Dinghy and small Multi-hull divisions. One design classes are subject to their class rules.
- 1.4 A Sailing Member in good standing of either RHYC or BSBC must be on board while racing.
- 1.5 Item 8.2 below will change rule 41, outside help.
- 1.6 The sailing instructions will change rule 35, time limits and scores; rule 60.1(a), right to protest; rule 62.1(a), redress; rule 63.1, requirement for a hearing; Rule 64.1, Penalties and exonerations; and Appendix A, scoring. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions.

#### **2 ADVERTISING**

Advertising will be permitted in accord with ISAF Regulation 20.

#### **3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 The regatta is open to boats owned or chartered by Sailing Members in good standing of RHYC or BSBC.
- 3.2 Registration is as follows for RHYC entries: Skippers may register in person during a registration event at RHYC (see 5.1 for dates and times) or online at [http://rhyc.ca/Boating/Club\\_Racing\\_Regattas/Club\\_Racing\\_Registration.aspx](http://rhyc.ca/Boating/Club_Racing_Regattas/Club_Racing_Registration.aspx)). Registration will not be considered complete until Proof of insurance has been presented and fees are paid.

Registration is as follows for BSBC entries: Eligible boats may enter by obtaining and completing the BSBC registration form available from Robert DeWitte. Racing fees and PHRF fees must be paid at the time annual memberships are renewed, using the BSBC club form for that purpose. Registration will not be considered complete until Proof of insurance has been presented and fees are paid.

- 3.3 Late entries will be accepted by either Robert DeWitte at BSBC or David Vollans at RHYC or their designates. Late entrants will not be scored in any race prior to receipt of completed registration and a valid PHRF certificate for boats racing in a PHRF division. Registration will not be considered complete until Proof of insurance has been presented and fees are paid.
- 3.4 One design classes must have a minimum of four boats registered to race to be scored as a one design class. It is recommended that one design boats have a valid PHRF certificate in the event that fewer than four boats register to race in its one design class.
- 3.5 Sail numbers displayed on a boat's mainsail shall be the same as those on her registration form. Sail numbers displayed on a boat's head sails shall be the same as those on her mainsail.

#### **4 FEES**

- 4.1 Required fees are as follows for RHYC entries: For ALL classes early registration fee is \$165 including HST. For BSBC entries the fee is \$30 including HST.
- 4.2 Other fees for PHRF entries from both clubs: PHRF certificate renewal application fee: \$30.00

#### **5 SCHEDULE**

##### **5.1 Registration:**

For RHYC registration can be submitted at the Clubhouse on Thursday, March 30, 18:30-21:00hrs, and Thursday, April 6, 18:30-21:00 hrs at RHYC clubhouse.

BSBC Contact: Robert DeWitte [robert.dewitte@thermofisher.com](mailto:robert.dewitte@thermofisher.com) (905-330-6192)

RHYC Contact: David Vollans [vcyachting@rhyc.ca](mailto:vcyachting@rhyc.ca) (289-242-6679)

##### **5.2 PHRF Measurement:**

RHYC boats requiring a new PHRF certificate or having new sails to be measured, contact Morgan Seele ([morgan.seele@gmail.com](mailto:morgan.seele@gmail.com)) or Al Molloy ([Al@almolloy.ca](mailto:Al@almolloy.ca)) to make an appointment.

BSBC boats requiring a new PHRF certificate or having new sails to be measured, contact Jan Varkevisser ([jan.varkevisser@arcelormittal.com](mailto:jan.varkevisser@arcelormittal.com)) to make an appointment.

##### **5.3 Venue**

Racing will take place on Hamilton Harbour.

##### **5.4 Dates of racing:**

Spring series: Tuesdays and Thursdays from May 23 to June 15, 2017 (4 weeks)

Summer series: Tuesdays and Thursdays from June 20 to August 24, 2017 (10 weeks)

Fall series: Tuesdays and Thursdays from August 29 to September 28, 2016 (5 weeks)

### 5.5 Number of races:

One race per day is scheduled. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1825 hrs for Spring and Summer series. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1805 hrs for the Fall series.

## 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND BACKSTAY FLAGS

6.1 Backstay flags for PHRF divisions will be available at RHYC registration nights. After that time, they will be available from either Rob DeWitte at BSBC or David Vollans at RHYC or their designates.

6.2 Boats racing in PHRF divisions must display their fleet flag on their backstay.

6.3 The Sailing Committee makes every effort to form fleet divisions which make the most practical sense within the constraints of numbers and types of boats registered.

6.4 The Sailing Committee's decisions on fleet splits are final. Any boat that switches divisions without the express written approval of the Race Manager BSBC and VC Yachting RHYC or their delegates will not be scored until such approval is obtained.

## 7. SCORING:

7.1 Only boats registered will be scored.

7.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

## 8 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

8.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

8.2 It is strongly recommended that all boats competing in the racing series have a VHF radio tuned to International channel 72 before and during the race.

8.4 The race committee may communicate with boats via VHF radio. These broadcasts may include the countdown to signal flags and sounds, course information, boats whom are OCS, abandonment signals and time limit expiries. Failure of the race committee to make such broadcasts or of a boat to hear a broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1 (a).

## 9 PRIZES

9.1 Prizes will be given to the first three boats in each division, in each series with five or more boats qualifying in the following series:

Spring Tuesday series	Spring Thursday series	
Summer Tuesday series	Summer Thursday series	Summer series overall
Fall Tuesday series	Fall Thursday series	

9.2 The club with the highest cumulative score will be presented the Bay Championship trophy.

9.3 These prizes will be presented at combined RHYC and BSBC Awards Nights, at dates and times to be announced.

9.4 Additional prizes and trophies may be presented in accordance with the traditions of each club at their annual Awards Night. A list of specific trophies is available at each club.

9.5 To qualify for a prize in a series, a boat shall have raced 40% of all races completed for that series.

## **10 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4: Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **11 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per incident or the equivalent.

## **12 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact:

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