



PRESENTED BY



NEW YORK YACHT CLUB RACE WEEK AT NEWPORT

Presented by ROLEX

September 23-26, 2020

Newport, Rhode Island

REVISED NOTICE OF RACE

**This Revised Notice of Race replaces the original NOR in its entirety. Please review carefully as many items have been changed to reflect the new dates for the event, to update the invited classes and entry fees, and to stay within the recommended COVID-19 safety guidelines.*

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the New York Yacht Club Regatta Association, Inc. The host is New York Yacht Club (NYYC).

1 RULES

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), including the current ORC rules, the current PHRF-NB rules, the current NYYC Classics Rules incorporating CRF Mark II, and current Class Rules for any one-design classes.
- 1.2** The following documents shall apply and will be posted as addenda to the notice of race:
- a) Addendum 1 – US Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER)
 - i. All boats shall minimally comply with the US Nearshore section of the USSER and shall comply with their Class Rules, where applicable.
 - ii. USSER 2.4.2, 2.4.3, and USSER 2.4.4.1 through 2.4.9 regarding Hull and Structure: Lifelines shall apply, except that boats not normally rigged with lifelines are exempt for these requirements and crew shall wear approved PFDs at all times while racing.
 - iii. In the event of a conflict between these requirements and applicable Class Rules, the Class Rules shall apply.
 - b) Addendum 2 – NYYC Classics Rules shall apply to all boats racing in the Classics division.
 - c) Addendum 3 – J/109 East Coast Championship
- 1.3** The sailing instructions may describe additional rule changes, including changes to specific class rules.
- 1.4** The protest committee may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of the USSER or non-Part 2 rules. This changes RRS 64.1.
- 1.5** US Sailing prescriptions to RRS 63.2 and 63.4 are deleted.
- 1.6** Each boat shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating with the Race Committee on fleet channels.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 A boat and her crew shall comply with World Sailing Regulation 20, Advertising Code.
- 2.2 Each boat may be required to display the Rolex backstay flag or other signage provided at registration while racing. Classics and 12 Metres will not be required to apply bow stickers.

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1. Entry is open to boats with a minimum LOA of 25 feet that satisfy one or more of the entry requirements in NOR 3.2 to 3.7, or to a class invited by the OA. The OA reserves the right to limit the number of entries in any class. In addition, the OA may reject the entry of any boat that may not fit the general parameters of the other boats entered with regard to size and/or design.
- 3.2. **ORC:** Entry is open to all boats with a valid, current ORC certificate.
 - a) ORC Rule 200.1 is changed as follows:
 - i. One additional crew under the age of 16 is permitted and shall not count against the crew or weight limit.
 - ii. Given social-distancing requirements, crew weigh-in is not required. However, the skipper of a boat that is later protested for exceeding the maximum crew weight cited on the boat's certificate or her Class rules shall make all crew weights available prior to the protest hearing and will be required to certify to the accuracy of the data.
 - b) ORC Rule 206 is changed as follows: During the regatta, the sails carried (including mainsails and spinnakers) may vary from day to day, but shall remain the same for each individual race day, including days with multiple races, even in the case of damage to sails. The race day begins when the boat leaves the dock or its mooring for the race course.

A double-handed division may be created if there is sufficient interest. **Races will be run on September 23-26.**

- 3.3. **PHRF Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker:** Entries are open to all boats with a valid, current PHRF-Narragansett Bay certificate rating of 165 or lower. Boats with a rating of 166 or higher will be permitted to enter at the discretion of the OA. There is no crew number or weight limitation. PHRF boats may sail a mix of navigator-style or drop mark races. **Races will be run on September 23-26.**
- 3.4. **Multihull:** Entries are open to any offshore Multihull (as determined by the OA) that meets the LOA minimum in NOR 3.1. The rating system for the Multihull class will be Multirule. Multihulls will sail navigator-style races. **Races will be run on September 23-26.**
- 3.5. **Classics:** Entries are open to all boats that meet the design, construction and equipment parameters described in NOR Addendum 2 – NYYC Classics Rules. All boats must hold a valid, current CRF Mk II certificate. This regatta counts as the second part of the 2020 NYYC Classic Series. Classic boats may sail a mix of buoy races and middle-distance races. **Races will be run on September 24-26.**
- 3.6. **12 Metre:** Entries are open to any 12 Metre boat holding a valid Certificate of Measurement that is current with the 12 Metre Class. Annual dues and any certificate filing fees must have been paid. Depending on the number of entries, the 12 Metres may start as a single class. If there are three or more entries in a Traditional, Modern or Grand Prix division, they will be scored separately even if they are started together. The OA will use handicap ratings if provided by the ITMA. 12 Metre boats may sail a mix of buoy races and middle-distance races. **Races will be run on September 24-26.**
 - a) Class Rule 40 is amended as follows: All Divisions will be allowed to carry one Rider in addition to the crew numbers allowed in Rule 40 as modified by Appendix E. The Rider may not participate, either physically or verbally, in any sailing-related activities while the boat is racing unless the action is required for the safety of the vessel or its crew. In the event that the Rider does engage in such activities while racing for any reason, the boat shall immediately retire from that race.
- 3.7. **One-design:** Entry is open to all classes with a minimum of eight entries. Entrants must meet all ownership, class membership (including crew eligibility requirements), sail measurement and crew weigh-in requirements as may be required by their class. One-design classes may sail a mix of buoy races and middle-distance races. **Races will be run on September 23-26.** At the discretion of the OA, one-design classes may arrange a different schedule by contacting the NYYC Sailing Director at sailingoffice@nyyc.org.

4. ENTRY

- 4.1. The entry form will be available online on the [Race Week website](#). The official entry form, entry fee and rating certificate (when applicable) shall be submitted online on or before 1700 on Tuesday, September 15, 2020. Late entries will be accepted until 1700 on Monday, September 21. Late fees will apply as described in NOR 5.2. No entries will be accepted after 1700 on September 21.
- 4.2. All boats shall pick up their regatta bags during the registration times listed in NOR 6.3. Registration will take place in the NYYC Sailing Center, Harbour Court, 5 Halidon Avenue, Newport, RI, 02840.
- 4.3. The Race Week Team Trophy will be presented to the yacht club team, represented by three boats, with the best score in Race Week. The skipper of each boat on a team shall be a current member of the yacht club the team represents. Yacht clubs may enter one or more teams. Entries may be made online on the Race Week website and submitted on or before 1700 on Wednesday, September 23.
- 4.4. All competitors shall submit a completed Crew Liability Waiver form before racing. This form will be available on the [Race Week website](#).

5 FEES

- 5.1 **Entry fees:** The entry fee shall be paid with the online entry form. To determine the applicable entry fee, a boat's LOA is to be rounded downward to the nearest whole number.
(e.g., 49.65' = 49')

Boat size/type

LOA 29' or less	\$275
LOA 30' to 34'	\$350
LOA 35' to 39'	\$425
LOA 40' to 44'	\$500
LOA 45' to 49'	\$575
LOA 50' to 59'	\$650
LOA 60' or more	\$725
PHRF LOA 40' or less	\$275
PHRF LOA 41' or more	\$375
Classics LOA 40' or less (Friday-Saturday)	\$200
Classics LOA 41' or more (Friday-Saturday)	\$300
12 Metre (Friday-Saturday)	\$550

- 5.2 **Late entry fee:** A late fee of \$250 will be charged to entries received after 1700 on Tuesday, September 15.
- 5.3 **Administration fee:** Boats withdrawing after 1700 on Tuesday, September 15, and before 1700 on Monday, September 21, will be refunded their entry fee minus a \$100 administration fee. Boats withdrawing after 1700 on Monday, September 21, will not receive a refund.
- 5.4 **Late rating certificate fee:** A late certificate fee of \$250 will be charged for rating certificates filed after 1700 on Tuesday, September 15, as required in NOR 7.1. No certificates or changes to certificates will be accepted after 1700 on Monday, September 21, without the permission of the OA.

6 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 6.1 A single representative from each boat shall report to registration to obtain class assignments and scratch sheets, event signage and flags (if applicable), and to confirm all Crew Liability and COVID-19 Waivers have been completed.

6.2	Date	Time	Event
	Tuesday, September 22	TBD	Registration – NYYC Sailing Center
	Wednesday, September 23	1100	First Warning Signal for all courses
	Thursday, September 24	1100	First Warning Signal for all courses
	Friday, September 25	1100	First Warning Signal for all courses
	Saturday, September 26	1100	First Warning Signal for all courses

6.4 No warning signal shall be made after 1500 on Saturday, September 26.

7 MEASUREMENT

- 7.1 Each boat shall submit a valid certificate to the NYYC Sailing Office on or before Tuesday, September 15, at 1700 as follows. No certificates or changes to certificates will be accepted after 1700 on Monday, September 21, without permission of the OA.
- 12 Metres shall submit a copy of the cover page of their valid Certificate of Measurement signed by the ITMA Technical Director;
 - One-design boats shall submit a copy of their valid, current class measurement certificate when one is required by their class rules;
 - PHRF boats shall submit a copy of the valid, current PHRF-NB certificate;
 - ORC boats shall submit a copy of their valid, current ORC certificate;
 - Classic boats shall submit a copy of their valid, current CRF Mark II certificate;
 - Multihulls shall submit a copy of their valid, current Multirule certificate.
- 7.2 Boats, including all qualifying equipment and sails, may be subject to random inspection by the OA at any time during this event.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND CLASS ASSIGNMENTS

- 8.1 Sailing instructions will be available online no later than the start of registration on Tuesday.
- 8.2 Scratch sheets will be available on the Race Week website.

9 VENUE

Races will be held off Newport, RI, on Rhode Island Sound or in Narragansett Bay.

10 COURSES

- 10.1 Courses for all classes will be defined in the sailing instructions and may include buoy races, races using government marks, “stadium” sailing (short course windward/leeward) and a middle-distance race. Conditions permitting, a distance race or around the island race may be scheduled for some classes as part of the series and will be announced no later than 2000 on the day prior to the scheduled race.
- 10.2 South Bay Race Chart marks, as shown on the current South Bay Race Chart, or other special marks may be used for races held in Narragansett Bay or on Rhode Island Sound and will be described in the sailing instructions.

11 PROTEST AND PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 If class rules specify a penalty, a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing may take a penalty at the time of the incident as provided in her class rules.
- 11.2 If the class rules do not specify a penalty, a boat may take a penalty in accordance with RRS 44.1 or a scoring penalty in accordance with RRS 44.3 at the time of an incident.
- 11.3 A boat that has taken a penalty shall complete a penalty acknowledgement form.
- 11.4 To comply with local social-distancing regulations, all protest hearings will be conducted via remote meeting technology (i.e., Zoom). Details on the process and the freely available software to be used will be outlined in the sailing instructions.

12 SCORING

- 12.1 Multiple races are scheduled. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series, A boat’s series score will be the total of all of her race scores. No score will be excluded. This changes RRS A2.
- 12.2 Multihull classes will be scored using time-on-time.
- 12.3 ORC classes will be scored using time-on-time triple number.

- 12.4** PHRF classes will be scored using time-on-distance.
- 12.5** The Race Week Team Trophy will be scored by using each team member boat's percentage points (finish points divided by the number of starters) within its respective class. The trophy will be awarded to the team with the lowest average score.

13 PRIZES

- 13.1** Prizes will be awarded to the top finishes in each class. Overall prizes will be awarded to the top finishers in ORC, PHRF-NB, and Classics.
- 13.2** A prize will be awarded to the winning entry in the Race Week Team Trophy.
- 13.3** In addition, the New York Yacht Club may award the following prizes:
- a) Rolex timepieces may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.
 - b) The Carronade Trophy may be awarded to the boat that, in the collective opinions of the Race Committee Chair and Flag Officers, has the best overall performance in Race Week at Newport. All boats entered are eligible.
 - c) Other trophies may be awarded as determined by the OA and will be described in the sailing instructions.

14 WAIVER AND RELEASES

- 14.1** As a condition of entry, each owner, skipper and individual participating crew member shall submit an online liability waiver/media release and a COVID-19 release. The fully executed Liability & Media Waiver Form and COVID-19 release shall be submitted prior to racing. The waiver form link can be found on the Race Week at Newport Regatta [website](#).
- 14.2** Media Waiver - Competitors and crew members on the competing boats grant, at no cost, the New York Yacht Club Regatta Association, Inc., New York Yacht Club, and any official sponsors of the regatta, the absolute right and permission to use their name, voice, image, likeness, biographical material as well as representations of the boats in any media worldwide (being television, print and internet media), including video footage, for the sole purposes of advertising, promoting, reporting and disseminating information regarding Race Week at Newport and the participants in Race Week at Newport.
- 14.3** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, New York Yacht Club, Rolex Watch U.S.A. and affiliated companies, and any official sponsors 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. Attention is also drawn to RRS 46 and USSER 1.2, Responsibility.

15 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be adequately insured with valid third-party liability insurance that is appropriate taking into account the value of the boats racing and the type of racing.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please visit the Race Week website: <https://nyyc.org/2020-race-week> or contact the Sailing Office.

New York Yacht Club, Harbour Court; 5 Halidon Avenue; Newport, RI 02840

Tel: 401-845-9633; Fax: 401-846-3303; Email: sailingoffice@nyyc.org.