



NOTICE OF RACE

RNYC Race Week 2026

Organized by the Royal Newfoundland Yacht Club

Tuesday, August 11th - Saturday, August 15th, 2026

1. RULES

1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in **The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025–2028 (RRS)**.

1.2 In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will prevail.

1.3. Race week will begin on Tuesday, August 11th with an optional practice race, followed by the competition starting on Wednesday, August 12th. Evening races will be held on August 12th and 13th, with full days of racing on Friday, August 14th and Saturday, August 15th.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 The race is open to all yachts of the Division 1, Division 2 & White Sail Classes

Division 1: PHRF Rating of 99 or lower flying a spinnaker.

Division 2: PHRF Rating of 100 to 250 flying a spinnaker.

White sail: PHRF Rating below 300 not flying a spinnaker.

2.2 The event is open to all boats with a valid PHRF Nova Scotia rating certificate and a rating below 300.

2.3 Eligible boats may enter by:

- Emailing **manager@rnyc.nf.ca** with their boat name, skipper, number of crew, and rating prior to August 11, 2026

2.4 The entry fee is **\$50 CAD (RNYC Members / \$70 CAD (Non-Members) per vessel**, payable upon registration at the Skippers' Meeting on Tuesday, August 11, 2026. Dinner tickets sold separately. To be considered an entry in the event, a yacht shall complete all registration requirements and pay all racing fees.

2.5 Crews attending the dinner and dance on Saturday Night (August 15th) need to specify the number of tickets they require by Wednesday, August 12th at the latest. Reservations can be made via email to manager@rnyc.nf.ca

2.6 The following crew limitations apply: **No paid or paying crew members** are allowed for this regatta.

3. SCHEDULE

- **Date of Races:**
 - Practice Race (Optional / Not scored): Tuesday, August 11, 2026
 - Day 1: Evening races on Wednesday, August 12, 2026
 - Day 2: Evening races on Thursday, August 13, 2026
 - Day 3: Full day of racing on Friday, August 14, 2026
 - Day 4: Full day of racing on Saturday, August 15, 2026
- **Registration & Check-in:** August 11th, 2026 @ 5:30pm in RNYC Clubhouse
- **Skippers' Meeting (Tuesday / Wednesday / Thursday):** 5:45 pm in RNYC Clubhouse
- **Skippers Meeting (Friday / Saturday):** 9:00 am in RNYC Clubhouse
- **Number of races:** 4-15.
- **Race Start Times:** Will be finalized at the Skippers Meeting each evening / day, target start times for evening races (Tues - Thurs) will be 6:45pm with a warning signal at 6:40pm. Target start times for the first races on each full day (Friday - Sat) will be 10:00 am with a warning signal at 9:55 am.

3.1 Starts will be held in succession for each race by division, with White sail starting first, followed by Division 2 and then Division 1. **There will be a 1 minute break between starts and the next warning signal for the following fleet.**

3.2 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 4:00pm

3.3 **Drop Races:** Yachts will be permitted 1 drop race after 5 races, 2 drops after 7 races, 3 drops after 10 races and 4 drops after 13 races completed.

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available by **March 13, 2026** at the RNYC Office, or by request to **manager@rnyc.nf.ca** or **kfh570@mun.ca**.

4.2 Amendments to the SIs will be posted on the official notice board at RNYC no later than 09:30am on race day.

4.3 VHF Channel 68 shall be used for communication with Race Committee (RC), Channel 16 for Coast Guard

4.4 The official notice board is located in the main ballroom of the RNYC clubhouse

4.5 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 16 & 68. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio via channel 68.

4.6 Boats shall be available for equipment inspection at any point prior to or during the regatta.

4.6.1 Boats may be inspected at any time & shall also comply with RRS 78.1

5. VENUE

5.1 The races will be sailed in Conception Bay South, Newfoundland in front of the Royal Newfoundland yacht club.

5.2 The starting line for each day of racing will be located in front of the RNYC and will be defined in detail at the Skippers' Meeting & in the Sailing Instructions.

6. THE COURSE

6.1 The courses for each race will be detailed at the skippers meeting.

7. BERTHING

7.1 Visiting boats will be assigned slips by the RNYC Manager, subject to availability.

7.2 Complimentary berthing will be available for the **duration of the event for visiting yachts that have paid their race registration fee.**

8. SCORING

8.1 Scoring will be based on the **Low Point System**, RRS Appendix A.

8.2 Corrected times will be calculated using PHRF time-on-time scoring.

9. PRIZES

9.1 Prizes will be awarded to the **top three finishers** in each division.

9.2 Additional awards may be presented at the discretion of the organizing committee.

10. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

10.1 Competitors participate entirely at their own risk. (See RRS 3, *Decision to Race*.)

10.2 The organizing authority will not accept liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the race.

11. INSURANCE

11.1 Each participating boat shall carry valid **third-party liability insurance** with coverage of not less than **\$2,000,000 CAD per incident**, or the equivalent.

12. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact:

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