



NEW YORK YACHT CLUB
166th NYYC ANNUAL REGATTA
including
Melges IC37 National Championship
October 2-4, 2020
Newport, Rhode Island

REVISED NOTICE OF RACE – AUGUST 20, 2020

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

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

GENERAL FORMAT

- The 166th NYYC Annual Regatta will consist of:
 - The Around-the-Island Race or middle-distance race (scored separately) on Friday, October 2.
 - The traditional Two-Day Series on Saturday and Sunday, October 3-4, for boats racing in ORC, One-Design classes, and PHRF Navigators (Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker).
 - Melges IC37 National Championship as governed by this NOR and NOR Addendum 2.
 - Racing formats may include:
 - Drop mark races on Rhode Island Sound or Narragansett Bay;
 - Navigator-style races using marks designated on the South Bay Race Chart or in the sailing instructions.
- Rolex Cup – Two-boat teams in the Around-the-Island Race on Friday, October 2.
- Great Corinthian Trophy – Yacht club teams (other than NYYC) of three or more boats competing in the ORC or One-Design fleets in the Two-Day Series.
- The Annual Regatta website can be found at <https://nyyc.org/166th-annual-regatta>.

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 Regulations as administered by the PHRF of Narragansett Bay, and the current class rules for any one-design classes.
- 1.2 The following documents shall apply and will be posted as addenda on the Annual Regatta website:
- a) NOR Addendum 1 – US Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER)
- All boats shall minimally comply with the US Nearshore section of the USSER and shall comply with their class rules, where applicable.
 - USSER 2.4.1 through 2.4.8 regarding Hull and Structure: Lifelines shall apply, except that boats not normally rigged with lifelines are exempt from these requirements and crew shall wear approved PFDs at all times while racing.
 - In the event of a conflict between these Requirements and applicable class rules, the class rules shall apply.
- 1.3 The sailing instructions may describe rules or changes to class rules that will apply to specific classes.
- 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 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 a backstay flag or other signage provided at registration while racing.

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 3.5 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:** Entries are 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, weighing 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 and IRC Rules 21.1.5 (d) and (e) are 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.
- 3.3 **PHRF Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker:** Entries are open to all boats with a valid, current PHRF of 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 navigator-style or drop-mark races. A double-handed division may be created if there is sufficient interest.
- 3.4 **One-Design:** Entries are open to all classes with a minimum LOA of 25 feet and a minimum of eight entries unless otherwise approved by the OA, and to any classes invited by the OA. Entrants must meet all ownership, class membership (including crew eligibility requirements), sail measurement and crew weigh-in requirements as required by their respective classes.
- 3.5 **Sportboat:** Entries are open to boats of the Sonar, Shields and Star classes.
- 3.6 **Melges IC37 Class:** Entries are open to boats of the Melges IC37 Class. This will be their National Championship.
- 3.7 Except in a Double-handed Class, the minimum crew aboard while racing shall be four except as specified in Class Rules.

4 ENTRY

- 4.1 The entry form is available on the Annual Regatta [website](#). The official entry form, entry fee and rating certificate (when applicable) shall be submitted online on or before 1700 on Friday, September 25, 2020. Late entries may be accepted until 1700 on Wednesday, September 30, with permission from the OA. Late fees will apply as described in NOR 5.3. No entries will be accepted after 1700 on Wednesday, September 30.
- 4.2 For all boats except the Melges IC37 Class, entry includes racing in the Around-the-Island Race on Friday, October 2. Boats that elect not to race in the Around-the-Island Race should check the appropriate box on the entry form to assist the OA in producing accurate scratch sheets. The Melges IC37 Class will sail buoy races on Friday.
- 4.3 The Rolex Cup will be presented to the best two-boat team in the ORC division in the Around-the-Island Race. Entries may be made online on the Annual Regatta website and submitted on or before 1800 on Thursday, October 1, 2020.
- 4.4 The Great Corinthian Trophy will be presented to the yacht club team, other than New York Yacht Club, represented by three or more boats competing in ORC or One-Design classes with the best score in the Annual Regatta Two-Day Series. All helmspersons shall be Group 1 as defined in World Sailing Regulation 22, World Sailing Sailor Classification Code. Entries may be made online on the Annual Regatta website and submitted on or before 1800 on Friday, October 2, 2020.

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')

LOA 29' or less	\$200
LOA 30-34'	\$275
LOA 35' to 39'	\$350
LOA 40' to 44'	\$425
LOA 45-49'	\$500
LOA 50' or more	\$575

Melges IC37	\$800
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PHRF - LOA 40' or less	\$200
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PHRF - LOA 41' or more	\$300
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Team entry: There is no additional fee for a team to enter either the Rolex Cup or the Great Corinthian Trophy.

- 5.2 **Late entry fee:** A late fee of \$150 will be charged for entries received after 1700 on Friday, September 25.
- 5.3 **Administration fee:** Boats withdrawing after 1700 on Friday, September 25, and before 1700 on Wednesday, September 30, will be refunded their entry fee minus a \$100 administration fee. Boats withdrawing after 1700 on Wednesday, September 30, 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 Friday, September 25, as required in NOR 8.1. No certificates or changes to certificates will be accepted after Wednesday, September 30 without the permission of the OA.

6 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 6.1 A 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 Media Waivers have been completed. The location and format of registration is TBD.
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| Thursday, October 1 | TBD | Registration |
| Friday, October 2 | 1100 | First Warning Signal for the Around-the-Island Race |
| Saturday, October 3 | 1100 | First Warning Signal for all courses |
| Sunday, October 4 | 1100 | First Warning Signal for all courses |
- 6.3 No warning signal shall be made after 1500 on Sunday, October 4.
- 6.4 Melges IC37 Class: The schedule will be as described in NOR Addendum 2. The Melges IC37 class will not participate in the Around-the-Island Race.

7 MEASUREMENT

7.1 Each boat shall submit a valid certificate to the NYYC Sailing Office before 1700 on Friday, September 25, as follows. No certificates or changes to certificates will be accepted after Wednesday, October 2, without the permission of the OA.

- a) One-design boats shall submit a copy of their valid, current class measurement certificate when one is required by their class rules.
- b) PHRF boats shall submit a copy of their valid, current PHRF-NB certificate.
- c) ORC boats shall submit a copy of their valid, current ORC 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 Thursday, October 1.

8.2 Scratch sheets will be available on the Annual Regatta [website](#).

9 VENUE

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

10 COURSES

10.1 Courses for all classes will be defined in the sailing instructions.

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 on Narragansett Bay or 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 in compliance with 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 The Around-the-Island Race on Friday, October 2, shall be scored separately and will not count in the Two-Day Series score.

12.2 Multiple races are planned in the Two-Day Series. 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.

12.3 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 Around-the-Island Race Team Trophy for the Rolex Cup will be scored using Appendix A, Low Point System, combining the overall finish points (among all ORC entries) of both boats on the team. The overall finish for each boat is the corrected seconds per mile in ORC. The trophy will be awarded to the team with the lowest total score.

12.6 The Great Corinthian Trophy will be scored by using each team member boat's percentage points (finish points divided by the number of starters for each race) within its respective class during the Two-Day Series. The trophy will be awarded to the team with the lowest average score.

12.7 Melges IC37 Class: Scoring will be in accordance with NOR Addendum 2.

13 PRIZES

- 13.1** Prizes for the Around-the-Island Race will be awarded to the top three boats in each class. Overall prizes will be awarded to the top finishers in ORC and PHRF.
- 13.2** The Rolex Cup will be awarded to the best two-boat team in the Around-the-Island Race.
- 13.3** Prizes for the Two-Day Series will be awarded to the top finishers in each class. Overall prizes will be awarded to the top finishes in ORC and PHRF.
- 13.4** The Great Corinthian Trophy will be awarded to the best team in the Two-Day Series.
- 13.5** The Solution Trophy may be awarded at the NYYC Annual Awards Dinner on November 12, to the enrolled New York Yacht Club entry in the Annual Regatta, which, in the opinion of the Race Committee, makes the best overall performance in the Two-Day Series.

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 link to both forms can be found on the Annual 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 the Annual Regatta and the participants in the Annual Regatta.
- 14.3** Boats shall not be scored unless the skipper/person-in-charge has submitted a Liability & Media Waiver form.
- 14.4** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, New York Yacht Club, 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 current, 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 Annual Regatta website at www.nyyc.org or contact the Sailing Office. New York Yacht Club, Harbour Court; 5 Halidon Avenue; Newport, RI 02840
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