



Friday June 15th, Saturday June 16th, & Sunday June 17th, 2012

National Yacht Club

The Organizing Authority for this event is the Toronto Area Hospice Regatta Committee of the National Yacht Club (NYC).

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. **RACING RULES**

The races will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing. The prescriptions of the Canadian Yachting Association are posted on the Official Notice Board.

2. **NOTICE TO COMPETITORS**

Notice to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the west hallway of the club house.

3. **CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0830 on the day it will take effect, except that any change in starting times for Sunday will be posted before 2000 on Saturday.

4. **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the NYC flagpole directly to the west of the clubhouse.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes".

5. **SCHEDULE OF RACES**

Friday June 15	1630 to 2030 Registration / Check-in
Saturday June 16	0830 to 0855 Registration
	0900 Skippers Meeting
Sunday June 17	0900 Skippers Meeting (If Required)

The 2012 regatta will be competed over a series of up to 7 races. No Start Sequence to commence after 1500 on Sunday June 17.

6. **CLASS FLAGS/START ORDER**

Pennant	Shotgun	Procom
Numeral #1	Beneteau 36.7	Melges 24
Numeral #2	Eight Metres	Melges 20
Numeral #3	Beneteau 10R	J22
Numeral #4	C&C 99	2.4mRs



7. **COURSE AREAS - ALL RACES**

Procom (East) Course: The starting area will be located on a bearing of approximately 210 degrees magnetic, 1.6nm from the entrance to NYC.
Shotgun (West) Course: The starting area will be located on a bearing of approximately 250 degrees magnetic, 2.25nm from the entrance to NYC.

8. **MARKS**

8.1 Except as provided in SI 10.3, marks on the Procom Course will be as follows:

Start Mark.	YELLOW tetrahedron
Windward Marks & Offset	ORANGE inflatables
Gate Marks	ORANGE inflatables
Finish Mark	YELLOW tetrahedron

8.2 Except as provided in SI 10.3, marks on the Shotgun Course will be as follows:

Start Mark.	ORANGE tetrahedron
Windward Marks & Offset	YELLOW inflatables
Gate Marks	YELLOW inflatables
Finish Mark	ORANGE tetrahedron

8.3 Marks changed in accordance with SI 10.3, will be a YELLOW inflatable mark on the Procom Course, ORANGE inflatable mark on the Shotgun Course.

8.4 In the event of a change of course after the start, only a new windward mark will be laid. There will NOT be a new Offset Mark

9. **THE START**

9.1 For the First Race on each day, the warning for Division 1 will be at 1030.

9.2 The Warning Signal for subsequent races will be made as soon as possible after the last yacht in each division has finished the previous race.

9.3 At the starting line, the Race Committee (R/C) may place a Distance Mark adjacent to the Committee Boat. Boats shall not pass between the Distance Mark and the Committee Boat.

9.4 When Code Flag "L" is displayed, boats are required to check in with the R/C by sailing on starboard tack by the stern of the Committee boat.

9.5 The starting line will be between the Start Mark and the staff displaying the orange flag on the R/C Vessel.

9.6 **RECALLS**

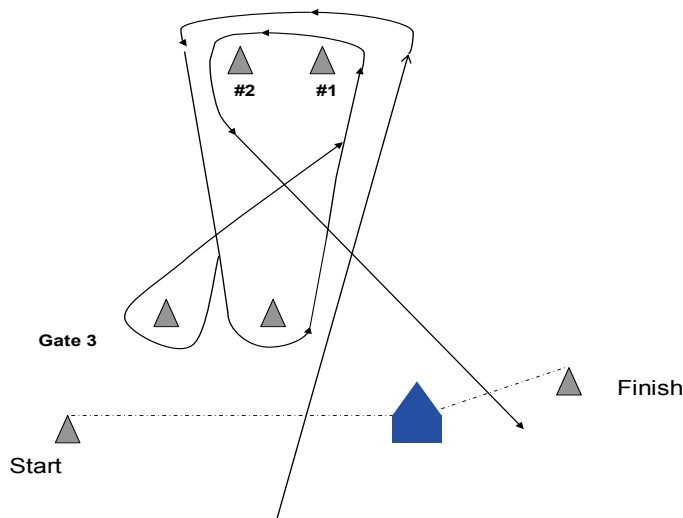
The R/C may announce via VHF Channel 09 (Procom course) or 72 (Shotgun course), the sail number or yacht name of each premature starter. When the black flag is displayed, the Race Committee will attempt to hail, via the VHF Channel assigned to the course, the sail number or yacht name of disqualified yachts. Failure of a premature starter to hear her hail shall not relieve her of the necessity



of making a proper start. Failure to hear any announcement will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 30.3 and 62.1(a).

10. **COURSE**

- 10.1 The course will be set out according to the diagram provided. The course will be sailed twice around unless shortened by the R/C. The marks shall be rounded in the following order:
Start, 1, 2, 3(gate), 1, 2, finish.
- 10.2 The approximate distance and the approximate compass bearing to Mark # 1 will both be displayed from the R/C Vessel at or before the Warning Signal. **COURSE WILL BE SAILED BUOYS TO PORT.**
- 10.3 To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.



11. **FINISHING LINE**

- 11.1 Unless shortened, the finishing line will be between the staff displaying the orange flag on the R/C Vessel and the tetrahedron mark. (Procom –Yellow) (Shotgun – Orange)
- 11.2 If shortened, the finish line will be between the staff displaying the orange flag on the R/C vessel and the nearby mark of the course.



12. **TIME LIMIT**

The time limit for each race will be 2 hours from the start of the last division on a course. Any yacht not finishing within 20 minutes after the first yacht in her fleet to finish, or within the time limit, whichever is later, shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

13. **BOW ANCHORS**

All anchors shall be removed from the bow while boats are racing.

14. **PROTEST**

- 14.1 Protest forms will be available at the Officer of the Day (OOD) station, NYC. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.2 For each class, the protest time limit is within 60 minutes of the docking of the R/C vessel for their class. For protests involving Part 2 of the Rules, where there has been no contact or collision, an arbitration hearing may be held prior to the protest hearing.
- 14.3.1 One representative from each boat will appear before an arbitrator.
- 14.3.2 After hearing testimony from each party the arbitrator shall reach one of the following conclusions:
- a) There was no breach of a rule. If the protestor(s) agrees, the protest is withdrawn and cannot be reopened. Otherwise the matter shall go to a full hearing.
 - b). There was a breach of a rule. If the offending boat(s) agree, a 40% penalty will be imposed and no further hearing will occur. Otherwise the matter shall go to a full hearing.
 - c). The matter should go to a full hearing.
- 14.4 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located in the NYC clubhouse.
- 14.5 Breaches of instructions 9.4, 9.5, 14 and 21 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.
- 14.6 RRS 62.2 and RRS 66 are changed to provide that, on Sunday June 19th, requests for redress and requests to reopen a hearing must be filed no later than one-half hour after the time that final results are posted.

15. **SCORING**

- 15.1 All races will count and 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.



16. **V.H.F. RADIO**
Competitors with VHF radios are encouraged to monitor Channel 09 for Procom Course, Channel 72 for Shotgun Course.
17. **DRY SAILED BOATS**
To conserve docking space, vessels normally stored ashore at NYC or vessels brought into NYC by trailer must be in the water from 09:00 Saturday June 16 until the conclusion of the regatta, unless specific prior permission, in writing, is obtained from the Race Committee.
18. **PRIZES**
Flags will be awarded to the first three finishers in each class. A notice of trophies and other prizes will be posted. In addition there will be overall Regatta Awards to be won by the yacht with the best performance, as decided by the Organizing Authority.
19. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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.
20. **INSURANCE**
Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance policy with a minimum coverage of \$2,000,000 CAD per event for Canadian boats and \$350,000 USD for US boats. A copy of the policy shall be kept on board the boat.