



NYC OPEN
Saturday, August 8, 2026
Organizing Authority – National Yacht Club
Toronto, Ontario, Canada



Notice of Race

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This change RRS 60.1.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The rules for the Performance Handicap Rating Formula (PHRF) handicap divisions are PHRF Lake Ontario (PHRF-LO).
- 1.3. RRS Appendix T ARBITRATION applies.
- 1.4. All participants will adhere to the NYC's concussion protocol posted online at: <https://www.thenyc.com/Learn to Sail/Concussion Policy - Rowan s Law>

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available after 1800 on Monday, August 3 at <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu/50881>
- 2.1. The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the official notice board.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The Official Notice Board is located on the outside wall on the west side of the NYC clubhouse. Notices may also be posted on the event website as a courtesy: <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu/50881>
- 3.2 [DP] [NP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on standard marine frequencies, including the assigned radio frequency for the course they are competing on. International VHF channels that may be used include 6, 8, 9, 16, 68, 69, 72, and 71.
- 3.3 On the water, the Race Committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on the course VHF radio frequency. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The event is open to all boats with a valid PHRF-LO certificate or are a member of a recognized one-design class.
- 4.2. A minimum of five (5) entries are required to make a one-design class. Expected one-design classes include Beneteau 36.7, J/80, J/105, VX One, Sharks, 2.4mR, Martin 16, and 8mR. Additional classes may be formed based on registration.
- 4.3. The organizing authority reserves the right to group similar boats together to form one or more classes.
- 4.4. [DP] [NP] Notwithstanding any rule contained in RRS Appendix G, or any specific class rule, each boat shall carry her sail number on mainsails, spinnakers, and each overlapping headsail having a luff perpendicular exceeding 130% of the base of the fore triangle.
- 4.5. Each competitor (skipper and crew) is required to sign a liability waiver which can be completed

at the online registration site at <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu/50881>

- 4.6. Eligible boats may enter the event by registering online only, <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu/50881>
- 4.7. To be considered as an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees by August 7, 2026, 1200.

5. FEES

- 5.1. Entry fees are as follows:

Class	Early Entry Fee (until July 24, 2026)	Standard Fee (after July 24, 2026)
2.4mR	\$75.00 + HST = \$84.75	\$100.00 + HST = \$113.00
Sharks	\$75.00 + HST = \$84.75	\$100.00 + HST = \$113.00
Martin 16	\$75.00 + HST = \$84.75	\$100.00 + HST = \$113.00
VX One	\$75.00 + HST = \$84.75	\$100.00 + HST = \$113.00
PHRF less than 30'	\$75.00 + HST = \$84.75	\$100.00 + HST = \$113.00
Melges 24	\$100.00 + HST = \$113.00	\$125.00 + HST = \$141.25
J/80	\$100.00 + HST = \$113.00	\$125.00 + HST = \$141.25
J/105	\$100.00 + HST = \$113.00	\$125.00 + HST = \$141.25
8mR	\$100.00 + HST = \$113.00	\$125.00 + HST = \$141.25
Beneteau 36.7	\$100.00 + HST = \$113.00	\$125.00 + HST = \$141.25
PHRF greater than 30'	\$100.00 + HST = \$113.00	\$125.00 + HST = \$141.25

- 5.2. Entry fees include:
 - awards for winners
 - full guest privileges at the club

6. CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1. While racing, a boat shall carry a minimum of a skipper and two crew members, except where a lesser number is required by the relevant one-design class rule.

7. ADVERTISING

- 7.1. [DP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

8. SCHEDULE

- 6.1. Racing will take place on August 8, 2026
- 6.2. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 1050. Except the scheduled time of the warning for the first Martin 16 race is 0955.
- 6.3. No warning signal will be made after 1630.
- 6.4. A maximum of four (4) races are scheduled for the event. For the 8mR class, a maximum of three (3) races are scheduled for the event.

7. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 7.1. Each boat shall produce or verify the existence of a valid PHRF-LO certificate or class membership.

8. VENUE

- 8.1. The National Yacht Club is located at 1 Stadium Road, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, M5V 3HA. This is located on the western entrance of Toronto Harbour, on Lake Ontario.

9. COURSES

9.1 The courses to be sailed and their specific locations will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

10. SCORING

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

10.2 A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.

11. BERTHING

11.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the NYC harbour.

12. RISK STATEMENT

12.1 RRS 3 Decision to Race states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury.

12.2 The Club and Organizing Authority are not responsible for any risk to competitors as a result of their participation.

13. INSURANCE

13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) CAD per incident. A copy of insurance company documents establishing that coverage is current shall be produced if requested by the OA.

13.2 The club or school with which a competitor is affiliated with will be responsible for the financial obligations associated with any incident in which the competitor is found to be at fault.

14. PRIZES

14.1 Prizes will be given to boats placing first, second, and third in each class with five (5) or more entries.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

15.1 Regatta Chair: Heather Aitken, nycopen@thenyc.com

15.2 PRO: Janet Geisberger

15.2 For further information please contact: racing@thenyc.com or 416-260-8686, ext 227.