

“Notice Of Race”

2023 Sailing Season

Shelburne Harbour Yacht Club

1.0 Rules

- 1.1 The Shelburne Harbour Yacht Club Keel Boat Racing Season will be governed by the ‘rules’ as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing. (2021 - 2024).
- 1.2 Pre Season Measurement and Fees to be paid must be completed by **8-Jun-2023**.
- 1.3 All Skippers, Owners and Helmsmen are to be members of the Shelburne Harbour Yacht Club. Everyone is welcome to the club and encouraged to join the membership.

2.0 Fees

- 2.1 **\$50** per Keel Boat - the start committee will collect the payment; cash is preferred. If you must pay with debit the start committee need to confirm payment in order to ensure you are registered.
- 2.2 All boats that pay \$50 at start of sailing season are eligible to race in Spring Series, Summer Series, Fall Series, and Special Races. This **does not include Founders Days**.
- 2.3 All boats who wish to take part in Founders Days Regatta are to pay \$25 to be classified in the race.
- 2.4 All **other** boats who wish to take part in Special Races such as Centennial Cup, Race to Lockeport, McNutts Island Race, etc, will pay \$15 per race to be classified in the race.
- 2.5 The only race that is purely for fun and no prizes are awarded is the "All the Marbles Race" - no fee for boats to enter into this race. Boats **still** need to be registered with the Sail Nova Scotia.

3.0 Schedule

- 3.1 The Calendar is a separate document
- 3.2 There are three (3) series:
 - 3.2.1 Spring Series: **Possibility of 7 Races.**
 - 3.2.2 Summer Series: **Possibility of 7 Races.**
 - 3.2.3 Fall Series: **Possibility of 8 Races.**
- 3.3 There are a possibility of three (3) separate race courses and could be three (3) separate race start times. This will be communicated by the start committee before each race. The Start Committee will announce the race courses as soon as they are determined.

3.3.1 Thursday Evening Races - Spring and Summer Series - First Horn at 5:45pm.

3.3.1.1 Time Limit Thursday (Spring and Summer Series) - 2 hours 45 minutes from start of class race. If at least one boat finishes the race within the time limit, the race will then be extended for 15 more minutes to allow other boats to finish.

3.3.2 Thursday Evening Race - Fall Series - First Horn at 5:30pm.

3.3.2.1 Time Limit Thursday (Fall Series) - 2 hours 15 minutes from start of class race. If at least one boat finishes the race within the time limit, the race will then be extended for 15 more minutes to allow other boats to finish.

3.3.3 Saturday Races - First Horn - 12:55pm

3.3.3.1 Time Limit Saturday - No Limit on Saturday Races.

3.3.4 A boat shall not start a race 10 minutes after their starting horn. A boat failing to start after 10 minutes of their starting horn will be recorded as a Did Not Start (DNS).

4.0 Weather/ Race Cancellations

4.1 The Race Committee and Starting Committee will decide if a race is cancelled due to the weather as early as possible. Once a decision has been made to cancel a race the Yacht club will be made aware so that anyone that wishes to check that status of the race can do so via telephone.

5.0 Handicaps

5.1 All participating Shelburne Harbour Yacht Club Boats shall be registered with Sail Nova Scotia prior to **Thursday, 8-June-2023**.

5.2 The SHYC Starting Committee **will be using** the given Sail Nova Scotia PHRF handicaps.

5.3 Sailing Inventory

5.3.1 All "A" Class boats must declare a spinnaker

5.3.2 All boats must declare sail inventory before the series begins

5.3.3 Sail inventory for special (non-series) races, must be declared no later than 1 hour before the first horn of the race. This is to allow the club handicapper to set the handicap.

5.4 Handicap cut-off per class

5.4.1 A class - PHRF 121 and under.

5.4.2 B Class - PHRF 202 and under

5.4.3 C Class - PHRF 203 and up.

6.0 Scoring

- 6.1 There will be one (1) throw away race for each series
 - 6.2 One (1) race will constitute a series
 - 6.3 If a particular boat has not completed the entire series, her position in the absent races will be counted as the total number of boats in her class plus 1.
- 7.0 Protest Hearing/Procedure**
- 7.1 Each Boat shall be equipped with a Red Flag. Thus, whenever a boat feels they are penalized the Red Flag **must** be flown and at a reasonable opportunity the protesting boat will notify the obstructing boat as per the governing rules.
 - 7.2 Within **30 minutes** after the protesting boat has finished her race she is to notify the Start Committee that they are protesting, at which point they will receive an official protest form from the Start Committee. The protest form is to be filled out within **30 minutes** of receiving it and returned to the Start Committee. Please do not plead your case to the Start Committee.
 - 7.3 Start Committee will then notify the Protest Committee.
 - 7.4 The protest committee will choose the location for the protest as soon as possible (the earlier the better, however it may not be possible to have the protest on the day of the incident).
- 8.0 Radio Communication**
- 8.1 All boats **are to be equipped** with VHF and monitor channel 72 for any information from the Start Committee and/or Race Committee.
- 9.0 Bay Racing**
- 9.1 Parameters to be set the day of Racing.
- 10.0 Committees**
- 10.1 Race Committee is responsible for the logistics of sailing at the SHYC.
 - 10.2 Start Committee is responsible for the start sequences, timing and finishing of races. The Start Committee is **NOT** responsible for protest hearings.
 - 10.3 Protest Committee is responsible for the protest procedures and hearings and is a sub-committee of the Race Committee
- 11.0 Starting**
- 11.1 Starting line - This is the imaginary line created by lining by the orange poles on the yacht club deck and the rock across the harbour. If you are on the **south side** of this line you are over the **starting line**. The Race Committee uses this line for starting and finishing the races.
 - 11.2 The "Gate" - The blue buoys with an orange ring around the top are the "Gate" required to pass through before and ending the race. The furthest west starting buoy will be anchored **more securely** so it lines up with the **start line**(see 11.1).

11.3 Call Back Procedure - If a boat is over early:

11.3.1 Two (2) sounds of the starting horn

11.3.2 The boat(s) will be named by the Starting Committee via the VHF.

12.0 Awards Night - TBD

13.0 Further Information

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