

Notice of Race

Shelburne Harbour Yacht Club Founders' Cup Regatta *Thursday, July 23rd – Sunday, July 26th 2026*

- 1) Organizing Authority
In honour of the founders of Shelburne Harbour Yacht Club, the officers and members of the SHYC are pleased to present the 2026 Founders' Cup Regatta.
- 2) Rules
The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2029 (RRS).
The national prescriptions of Sail Canada will apply.
- 3) Advertising
Advertising is permitted in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20. Boats that intend to display advertising shall indicate as such on their entry form but there will be no advertising fee.
- 4) Eligibility and Entry
The regatta is open to all monohull handicap boats which have a current Sail Nova Scotia Data Sheet on record. The regatta is open to out-of-province boats that have a handicap from other racing authorities.
All classes must have a minimum of 2 boats.
The definition of PHRF-NS "Non-spinnaker" class refers to boats that are sailed by headsail and mainsail or mainsail alone. Headsails are defined by RRS 50.4
The deadline for registration is July 23, 2026, 1700. Registration consists of:
A completed registration form
A valid PHRF handicap through PHRF-NS
A valid Insurance certificate
Payment of entry fees as follows:
A-Fleet (spinnaker & non-spinnaker) PHRF < 120 \$50.00
B-Fleet (spinnaker & non-spinnaker) PHRF 121-200 \$50.00
C-Fleet (spinnaker & non-spinnaker) PHRF > 200 \$50.00
Boats registering late will be assessed a \$10.00 "late-fee"
- 4) Schedule of Events
Thursday, July 23th
16:30 Welcome and Competitors' Meeting
17:30 First Signal Race 1.
19:30 Race Burgers and Sausages at the Upper Deck

Friday, July 24th

17:30 First Signal Race 2

19:30 Dinner catered by Daily Dish

20:00 – 23:00 Entertainment – Sensational Sweethearts

Saturday, July 25th

12:00 First Signal Race 3

15:00 First Signal Race 4

17:00 Potluck Supper

20:00 - 23:00 Entertainment – Hour Glass

Sunday July 26th

12:00 First Signal Race 5

15:30 Closing ceremonies and presentation of results.

1600 Pizza

- 5) Notice of Race
Notice of Race will be available on the official website no later than July 13th, 2026. Amendments to the NoR will be posted on the Club notice board (Lower Deck) prior to and during the event.
- 6) The Courses
All races will be held on the waters of Shelburne Harbour. Courses for individual fleets will be displayed on the Club notice board and announced prior to the First Signal of each race.
Shortened courses will be announced on VHF radio channel 72 during the race.
- 7) Sail Numbers
Competitors shall register one sail number in accordance with Rule 77 Appendix G.
- 8) Equipment
All Competitors shall carry an operational VHF Radio, Compass and a GPS as well as safety equipment per Transport Canada standards.
- 9) Scoring
The Racing Rules of Sailing Low Point System Appendix 4 will be in effect with the following modifications:
When fewer than 5 races are completed, the boats total score shall be the total of all races. When 5 races are completed, the boats total score shall be the total excluding her worst score.
One race shall be required to constitute a regatta.
- 10) Protests

A vessel protesting any other shall display a RED flag from her stern and hail the offending boat to allow the opportunity to do "penalty turns". Unresolved protests must be reported to the Protest Committee within ½ hour of the end of that race.

11) Berthing

Berthing or mooring arrangements are the responsibility of individual skippers. Mooring balls and slips may be available through SHYC daily or for the duration of the event.

12) Prizes

Prizes will be awarded for 1st in each class for each race plus for 1st, 2nd and 3rd per class overall. Overall winners (1st, 2nd and 3rd), regardless of class, will also be determined from the lowest score for all races less the drop if 5 races are completed. Prizes shall be awarded at the closing ceremonies as well as the Founders' Cup Regatta Trophy awarded to the overall winner. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

13) Responsibility

The safety of a boat and its crew is the sole responsibility of the Skipper who must ensure that the boat is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced and capable crew. The establishment of regulations does not in any way limit the complete and unlimited responsibility of the Skipper. Competitors compete in this regatta entirely at their own risk as per RRS Rule #4. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained during or after the racing. The Skipper shall be responsible for the conduct of his/her crew on and off the water. This may include financial remuneration for damage to personal property.

14) Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance policy with a minimum coverage of \$2,750,000.00.

15) Contact Information

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