



NOTICE of RACE

**The Royal Canadian Yacht Club will host
THE LAKE YACHT RACING ASSOCIATION (LYRA) 125th
Anniversary Annual Regatta
Preliminary Notice of Race Feb. 16 , 2009**

Date: July 27th through August 2nd 2009

Location: The Royal Canadian Yacht Club, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Notice: A Special Prize donated by Wedgewood of an Engraved Crystal Bowl commemorating the 125th anniversary of the L.Y.R.A. is to be awarded to the LYRA Yacht of the Regatta.

1: Rules

1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2 Class Association Rules will apply for racing one design fleets.

1.3 The Organizing Authority will be the LYRA Regatta Organizing Committee of The Royal Canadian Yacht Club.

1.4 The prescriptions of the Canadian Yachting Association, will apply and can be found at:

http://www.sailing.ca/racing/rules_and_regatta_management/racing_rules_of_sailing/

2 ADVERTISING

2.1 Category C will apply, unless specified otherwise in the Class Rules

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The LYRA Regatta is open to one-design, IRC, PHRF, and PHRF 'no flying sails'

3.2 The LYRA Regatta is open to those boats whose Owner or Skipper is a member of his or her National Authority.

3.3 Registration Entry Deadline;

Course Racing Thursday July 30, 2009 at 20:00hr. (late register, full registration by Wednesday July 29 11:00 a.m.)

Centennial Cup Race Sunday July 26, 2009 at 18:00hr.

Founders Cup Race Monday July 27, 2009 at 08:30hr.

Freeman Cup Race Tuesday July 28, 2009 at 16:00hr.

3.4 A completed Entry Form, a signed Waiver form, a ECICL form (Freeman Cups only), if applicable a copy of a valid Rating Certificate PHRF-LOR or IRC,—proof of Marine Liability Insurance and the Entry Fees must be received by the R.C.Y.C Sailing Office. These Requirements and Fees must be received prior to the Registration Entry Deadline (see above in this document).

3.5 One-design classes and groups of boats wishing to race level will be scored as a class provided they have at least six entries. Classes and groups which are interested in being scored as classes are encouraged to contact the Regatta Chairman as soon as possible and before April 1st 2009

3.6 One-design classes, or groups that wish to race level that do not have at least five entries must provide a valid PHRF-LO certificate and will be assigned to the appropriate PHRF division. This provision also applies to the IRC fleet but does not apply to the 8 Metre class.

3.7 IRC entrants are encouraged to submit a PHRF-LO certificate so that a rating determination and PHRF division

assignment can be made if there are insufficient entries to form one or more IRC classes.

3.8 To promote fair competition, the LYRA Race Committee may, at its discretion, permit fewer than five boats for PHRF and IRC divisions based on the ratings spread.

3.9 To allow fair sailing PHRF entries shall have a valid PHRF-LO rating certificate. Entries with PHRF ratings from sailing regions other than Lake Ontario must obtain a PHRF-LO rating at least 12 hours before the first race and submit it per item 3.4 For assistance please contact your official club PHRF-LO Handicapper. If the club does not have a phrf measurer please contact Mike Milner at mikemilner@rcyc.ca .

3.10 All boats competing in the Freeman Cup Race must submit a complete Emergency Contact Information Crew List (ECICL) with names, address, and contact telephone numbers of all aboard. The ECICL form will be available in advance.. ECICL forms may be submitted at time of registration / check-in. Boat failing to submit a ECICL form by the time specified in item 3.3 will not be registered nor scored.

4 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

4.1 All boats shall comply with the applicable equipment Regulations of the Government Agencies in their country of registration.

4.2 The Race Committee may randomly inspect a boat for compliance with these regulations at any time during the Regatta. The penalty for a failure to comply shall be at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may include disqualification from the regatta.

4.3 No boat shall race in IRC, PHRF, and PHRF 'no flying sails', mono-hulls, level or one-design classes with less than three persons on board. Boats in single-handed or double-handed classes are exempted from this requirement.

4.4 All boats shall carry an operating VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on Canadian channels 09, 16, 68, 71, 72 and 73.

4.5 Individuals and boats racing in any of the Freeman Cup Race, Centennial Cup Race, or Founders Cup Race must comply with the 2008-2009 ISAF Offshore Special Regulations "Category 3" (i.e. no life raft required)

4.6 The following ISAF Offshore Special Regulations shall not apply to 8 Metres or any other class where the Class Rules specify that the following are not required: a) 3.09, requirement for self-draining cockpits b) 3.14, requirements for pulpits, stanchions and lifelines. c) 3.17, requirement for toe rails. Jack lines must be fitted for the foregoing classes for any of the Founders Cup, Centennial Race, and Freeman Cup Race.

4.7 The following exceptions to the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations shall apply to all classes:

- a) 3.27.2, delete "Navigation lights shall not be mounted below deck level and shall be at no less height than immediately under the upper lifeline"
- b) b) 4.26 is changed as follows: "One heavy weather jib and / or mainsail capable of reducing the effective luff by reefing at least 20%"
- c) 3.23c requirement for two (2) batteries shall not apply.
- d) 3.15 requirement for a cooking stove will only apply for the Freeman race.

In case of revisions to the Offshore Regulations the paragraph numbers may be revised to keep the meaning of the above exceptions.

4.8 The Race Committee will monitor VHF Channel 71 during the Freeman Cup Race, Centennial Cup Race, and the Founders Cup Race.

5 SAIL NUMBERS / HULL IDENTIFICATION

Boats shall display only a sail number registered specific to that boat at the time of its first commission as provided by the National Authority or Class Association under that N.A.

Any request for use of any other sail number must be submitted for possible approval by the Race Committee prior to the close of registration.

Competitors may be provided hull identification stickers to be placed on both sides of the bow of their boats prior to the first race and to remain during the course of the race(s).

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1 Sailing Instructions will be posted, or linked online at www.RCYC.CA and distributed with the registration package.

The Sailing Instructions will be made available on or before July 26, 2009.

DIVISION ASSIGNMENTS

7.1 Division assignments will be posted by 18:00hrs the day before each distance race, the course race series. Locations will be given in the Sailing Instructions.

8 FEES

- 8.1 The entry form shall be accompanied by an entry fee.
8.2 If the Owner or Skipper's yacht club is not a member of LYRA, then a \$25 additional fee will be applicable as part of the entry fee.
8.3 The entry fee structure for the Regatta is provided in this document see Section 8, sub-section 8.4.
8.4 Fee Schedule TBD.

9 COURSES

- 9.1 Courses and marks will be fully described in the Sailing Instructions.
9.2 Centennial Cup Course: From YYC to RCYC Monday July 27, 2009.
9.3 Founder's Cup Course: From Whitby Y.C to RCYC Monday July 27, 2009

9.4 Freeman Cup Race: see Sailing Instructions
Wednesday July 29 – Thursday July 30 , 2009
9.5 Day Course Racing: 3 days of windward-leeward sets with 8 races planned using offset and gate marks.
Friday –Sunday, July 31 - August 2, 2009
9.6 A Two Day course racing series will be accommodated upon request . A Class Association may make such a request As Soon As Possible to the Regatta Chairman for early consideration.
9.7 On Sunday August 2nd, no warning signal shall be made after 1430 hours

10 SCORING

- 10.1 Races will be scored using the Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A of the *rules*. *EXCEPT* for all Day Course RaceSeries TBD.
10.2 PHRF classes will be scored using time-on-time handicaps provided by PHRF-LO.
10.3 The IRC Rules Parts 1, 2, and 3 shall apply.

Scoring for DSQ, DNC per the RRS and for LYRA Champion based on the LYRA adapted cox-sprague methodology. See Sailing Instructions.

11. Haul Out restrictions

Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and permission of the race committee

12 AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE

- 12.1 Amendments will be posted online at www.RCYC.ca and the Official Notice Board. The Official Notice Board will be identified in the Sailing Instructions.

14 TROPHYS AND AWARDS

- 14.1 Trophies, Awards and/or flags will be awarded for each division.
14.2 Note a Special Prize donated by Wedgewood of an Engraved Crystal Bowl commemorating the 125th anniversary of the L.Y.R.A. is to be awarded to the LYRA Yacht of the Regatta.
14.3 A detailed list of Trophies, Awards and/or flags will be available at the RCYC sailing office and posted on line.
14.4 Trophies and Awards will be given out Sunday August 2, 2009 after racing ends and if possible for distance races on Friday July 31.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

Regatta Chairman Mr. E.H. Toomath, Toronto Ont. Canada.