

CHESTER YACHT CLUB

TRADEWINDS REALTY

MARITIME BLUENOSE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Saturday August 5 and Sunday August 6, 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

1.1 The Nova Scotia Bluenose Association and Chester Yacht Club present the Maritime Bluenose Championships 2017.

2 RULES

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

2.2 If there is a conflict between languages the English text shall take precedence.

2.3 The Racing Rules of the Bluenose Class Association will apply, except as modified by the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, which in case of conflict, will take precedence.

2.4 RRS 35 will be amended to provide that boats not finishing within 20 minutes after the first boat to finish will be scored "Did Not Finish" without a hearing.

2.5 RRS 62.2 and 66 will be changed to shorten the time for requesting redress and for requesting that a hearing be reopened on the last day of racing.

2.6 RRS A4.2 will be changed to provide that a boat failing to check in at the Signal boat prior to the Warning signal of the first race of the day will be scored the same as a boat not starting in that race without a hearing.

2.7 For Protests involving a breach of a Rule of Part 2 of the RRS, a mediation hearing may be held. See Section 10.

3 ADVERTISING, PHOTOGRAPHIC AND MEDIA RIGHTS

3.1 No advertising shall be permitted without the express written consent of the Bluenose Class Association. Builders and sail makers' marks shall be permitted as per ISAF Regulation 20.

3.2 By participating in this event, competitors grant the organizing authority and Chester Yacht Club, in perpetuity, the unrestricted right and permission to make, use and show, in their sole discretion, their name and/or image for any text, photograph, audio or video recording and footage or other reproductions of either themselves or the boat in which they are sailing during the event to be published or broadcast, without limitation, in any media whatsoever, for any purpose whatsoever. In this respect, competitors' names and biographical information may be used or reproduced in any format.

4 ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

4.1 The Regatta will be open to all yachts of the Bluenose Class.

4.2 Owners and/or skippers must be members in good standing of the Bluenose Class Association.

4.3 The regatta will be sailed under White Sail, (Main and Jib only).

5 FEES and REGISTRATION

5.1 \$50.00 per boat registered.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 Registration – A registration Desk will be open at the Chester Yacht Club on Friday August 4th from 1800 to 1930 hrs and on Saturday August 5th from 0800 hrs to 0930 hrs.

6.2 A competitors Meeting will be held at Chester Yacht Club on Saturday August 5th immediately following the Bluenose Class Association Annual General Meeting.

6.3 The first Warning Signal is scheduled for 1255 hrs on both Race Days.

6.4 No Warning signal will be given after 1530 on Sunday, August 6th, 2016, if three or more races in the series have been completed. If fewer than three races in the series have been completed, a race may be started after 1530 on Sunday.

7 MEASUREMENTS

7.1 All yachts entered shall conform to the Bluenose Class Association requirements as per the class bylaws constitution, rules, regulations and approved amendments.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available at the CYC Registration Desk. The Sailing Instructions are not final until printed and delivered by the CYC Registration Desk. Amendments to the final Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board at CYC prior to and during the course of the event.

9 VENUE AND COURSE

9.1 The Race Course Area is in the vicinity of Chester Harbour and surrounding area.

9.2 The course will be Windward/Leeward using tetrahedrons.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM, PROTESTS AND MEDIATION.

10.1 The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: “A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or Rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty”.

10.2 For Protests under a rule of Part 2, where there is no damage, and in which there are no more than two boats involved, there may be a short mediation hearing. Protests not resolved in mediation will be referred to the Protest Committee for a full hearing.

10.3 After the protest has been filed, one designated representative from each boat shall testify before a mediator. No witnesses will be permitted. The mediator will decide on the validity of the protest.

10.4 A boat, which accepts the opinion of the mediator that she has broken a rule, shall receive a 40% scoring penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3 (c). This amends rule A2.

10.5 When in the opinion of the mediator one boat has broken a rule and that boat accepts a penalty, her decision shall be binding upon the other party to the protest and the protest shall not be referred to a protest committee. This amends rule 63.1.

10.6 When in the opinion of the mediator both boats have broken a rule and both boats accept a penalty, the protest shall not be referred to a protest committee. If only one boat accepts a penalty, it shall not be penalized further by the protest committee. This amends rule 63.1.

10.7 The mediator may also approve the withdrawal of a protest. This amends rule 63.1.

10.8 The mediator may attend the full hearing.

11 SCORING

11.1 The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A will apply, modified so that the series score will be the total of each boat's race scores, with her worst score excluded if 5 races or more are completed.

11.2 Three races must be completed to constitute a series.

12 HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

12.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to written permission from the Race Committee.

13 PRIZES

13.1 The Russell-Youla Trophy will be awarded to the 1st place yacht. Prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place yachts, most improved, highest placed wooden boat and novice.

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

14.1 The safety of a boat and its crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Skipper who must ensure that the boat is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by sufficiently experienced and physically capable crew. The establishment of regulations does not in any way limit the complete and unlimited responsibility of the Skipper.

15 INSURANCE

15.1 Each Participating yacht shall be insured with third-party liability insurance with a minimum of \$1,000,000.00 (One Million) and shall provide proof of such insurance to the Race Committee prior to or when registering.

16 AMENDMENTS

16.1 This notice may be amended. Amendments will be posted on the official notice board on the west side of the CYC clubhouse.

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