



155th NYYC ANNUAL REGATTA

Presented by ROLEX

**June 12-14, 2009
Newport, Rhode Island**



NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the New York Yacht Club (NYYC).

GENERAL FORMAT

The 155th NYYC Annual Regatta will consist of a Two-Day Series on Saturday and Sunday, June 13-14. In addition, all eligible yachts may enter the Around-the-Island Race on Friday, June 12. This race will be scored separately from the Two-Day Series and there is no entry fee for the Around-the-Island Race.

- The Swan 42 class will hold two separate series using drop mark courses: a one-day series on Friday and a two-day series for the Annual Regatta on Saturday and Sunday. The two series will be scored separately, except that ALL races in the two series will count as part of the NYYC qualifying series for the NYYC Invitational Cup.
- The Annual Regatta is part of the Gulf Stream Series (www.us-irc.org).
- This is the first event in the NYYC Classic Yacht Series. Classic yachts will use the CRF handicap.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS). Appendix D, Team Racing Rules, will not apply for the Rolex Cup and Great Corinthian Trophy team events.
- 1.2 **Regatta Regulations:** The Regatta Regulations will apply and are included as Attachment A to this Notice of Race, as well as posted on the Annual Regatta website at www.nyyc.org.
- 1.3 The prescriptions of US SAILING, except Appendix Q, will apply and are posted on the Annual Regatta website at www.nyyc.org and will be available at check-in.
- 1.4 **Offshore Special Regulations:** Minimally all yachts shall comply with the 2008-2009 ISAF Offshore Special Regulations, Category 5 (posted at www.nyyc.org) and shall comply with their class rules, where applicable. Yachts that are not normally rigged with lifelines are exempt from Regulation 3.14. In the event of a conflict between these regulations and applicable class rules, the class rules shall apply. The US SAILING prescriptions to the Offshore Special Regulations shall apply except the requirement to wear personal flotation while starting and finishing.
- 1.5 The sailing instructions may describe rules or changes to class rules that will apply to specific classes.
- 1.6 The protest committee may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations or non-Part 2 rules. This changes RRS 64.1.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 A yacht and her crew shall comply with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code.
- 2.2 Each yacht shall display the Rolex backstay flag and bow stickers provided at registration while racing. Classics and 12 Metres will not be required to apply the bow stickers.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Entry is open to yachts with a minimum LOA of 25 feet who satisfy one or more of the following entry requirements (see 3.2 – 3.7). The OA reserves the right to limit the number of entries in any class. In addition, the OA may reject the entry of any yacht that may not fit the general parameters of the other yachts entered with regard to size and/or design.
- 3.2 **IRC Yachts (Spinnaker):** Entry is open to all yachts with a valid 2009 IRC certificate. Crew limits will apply as described in Attachment A - Regatta Regulations. There is no restriction on crew weight.
- 3.3 **PHRF Yachts (rating 91 to 135):** There will only be a PHRF class if a minimum of eight yachts enter. Entry is open to all yachts with a valid 2009 PHRF of Narragansett Bay certificate rating between 91 and 135. Yachts outside this rating band should contact the Sailing Office. Weight and crew limits apply and are as described on the PHRF-NB website at http://www.phrf-nb.org/crew_weight_suggestions.htm and in NOR Attachment A. Yachts from other PHRF areas must obtain a PHRF certificate from PHRF-NB at <http://www.phrf-nb.org/>. Email the Sailing Office at sailingoffice@nyyc.org if interested.
- 3.4 **IRC Yachts (non-spinnaker)/NYYC Cruising Rule:** There will only be a non-spinnaker class (in IRC or NYYC CR) if a minimum of eight yachts enter. Email the Sailing Office at sailingoffice@nyyc.org if interested.
- 3.5 **Classic Yachts:** Entries are open to all Vintage and Classic yachts built or designed prior to 1965 made of wood or steel, and using traditional building methods and rigged with only aluminum or wooden spars. Only traditionally constructed sails are permitted; they shall be of woven canvas, nylon, or polyester (Dacron) only. Sails made using laminate or composite construction or materials (such as, but not limited to, Mylar, Kevlar, Spectra, Carbon Fiber, etc.), including those sails utilizing advanced shaping technologies (3DL or similar) are not permitted. All yachts must hold a valid 2009 CRF rating. Applications for a 2009 CRF rating can be found at www.nyyc.org.
- 3.6 **12 Metre Yachts:** Entries are open to any 12 Metre yacht that holds a valid 2009 Certificate of Measurement and is current with the 12 Metre Class annual dues and any certificate filing fees.
- 3.7 **One-Design Yachts:** Entries are open to all classes with a minimum of eight entries which meet the LOA minimum of 25 feet including: Swan 42, 6 Metre, Beneteau First 36.7, J/105, J/109, Melges 32, J/44, J/80, J/35, J/120 and other eligible one-design classes as may be determined. Entrants must meet all ownership, class membership (including crew eligibility requirements), sail measurement and crew weigh-in requirements as may be required by their class.
- 3.8 **Entry Forms:** Entry forms will be available on the NYYC website (www.nyyc.org). An official entry form including an executed liability waiver and entry fee shall be submitted online on or before Monday, June 8, 2009 at 1700. Entries made online by May 8 will receive drink coupons worth \$75 at registration.
- 3.9 **Check-in:** All yachts shall pick up their packets during check-in times listed in NOR 5.2. Check-in will take place in the NYYC Sailing Center, Harbour Court; 5 Halidon Avenue; Newport, RI 02840.
- 3.10 **Rolex Cup Team Entries:** The Rolex Cup will be presented to the best two-yacht team in the Around-the-Island Race on Friday, June 12. Entries shall be made on the NYYC website (www.nyyc.org) and shall be submitted on line on or before Monday, June 8, 2009 at 1700.
- 3.11 **Great Corinthian Trophy Team Entries:** The Great Corinthian Trophy will be presented to the yacht club team, other than New York Yacht Club, represented by three or more yachts with the best score in the Annual Regatta Two-Day Series. All helmspersons shall be Group 1 as defined in ISAF Regulation 22, ISAF Sailor Classification Code. Entries shall be made on the NYYC website (www.nyyc.org) and shall be submitted on line on or before Monday, June 8, 2009 at 1700.
- 3.12 **Liability Waivers:** Any supplemental entry forms, including crew liability waivers and crew lists, will be available on the NYYC website (www.nyyc.org) and submitted, where required, by fax, mail or at check-in before racing.

4 FEES

4.1 **Entry fees (reverted to 2006 fees):** An entry fee shall be paid with the online entry form as follows:

LOA 29' or less	\$250
LOA 30' to 39'	\$300
LOA 40' to 49'	\$350
LOA 50' or more	\$400

Note: To determine the applicable Entry Fee, a yacht's LOA is to be rounded downward to nearest lower whole number. (e.g. 49.65' = 49')

Classic and NYYC CR	\$250
12 Metre	\$350

4.2 **Adjustments to entry fees:**

- (a) Yachts also entered in either the RI Leukemia Cup on June 6, 2009 or the 2009 Annapolis to Newport Race will be credited \$75 on their entry fee.
- (b) Yachts entering online by May 8 will receive drink coupons worth \$75 at registration.
- (c) non-US SAILING (or other National Governing Body) member shall add \$25

4.3 **Around-the-Island Race:** There is no entry fee for the Around-the-Island Race on Friday, June 12.

4.4 **Team entry:** There is no additional entry fee for a team to enter either the Rolex Cup or the Great Corinthian Trophy.

4.5 **Late fee:** An additional charge of \$250 may be charged at the discretion of the Organizing Authority for late entries received after 1700 on Monday, June 8.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

5.1 A representative from each yacht shall appear at regatta check-in to obtain class assignments, scratch sheets, and to turn in the Crew Waiver Form.

Thursday, June 11	1600-1800	Check-in and weigh-ins
Friday, June 12	0830-1000	Check-in and weigh-ins
	1100	Course signals for Swan 42 One-Day Series
	1200	Course Signals for the Around-the-Island Race
	1600-1800	Check-in and weigh-ins
	1800	Skippers' Meeting, Cocktails, Around-the-Island Race and Swan 42 Awards party, Harbour Court
Saturday, June 13	0800-0900	Check-in and weigh-ins
	1100	Course signals
	1800	Annual Regatta cocktails, Harbour Court
	1900	Annual Regatta Dinner, Harbour Court (casual dress)
Sunday, June 14	1100	Course signals
		Awards will be presented as described in NOR 13.2

5.3 No Warning Signal shall be made after 1500 on Sunday, June 14.

6 CREW WEIGH-INS

6.1 Crew weigh-ins will be conducted only if required by applicable class rules or by the protest committee.

6.2 The official scale will be available in the Sailing Center at times posted on the Official Notice Board for yachts wishing to confirm their compliance with applicable crew weight limitations.

7 MEASUREMENT

- 7.1 Each yacht shall submit a valid certificate to the NYYC Sailing Office before Monday, June 8 at 1700.
- 7.1.1 12 Metres shall submit a copy of the cover page of their valid 2009 Certificate of Measurement signed by the ITMA Technical Director.
- 7.1.2 One-design yachts shall submit a copy of their valid class measurement certificate when one is required by their class rules.
- 7.1.3 PHRF yachts shall submit a copy of their valid 2009 PHRF-NB certificate.
- 7.1.4 IRC yachts shall submit a copy of their valid 2009 IRC certificate.
- 7.1.5 Classic Yachts shall have a 2009 CRF certificate.
- 7.2 Yachts, including all qualifying equipment and sails, may be subject to random inspection by the OA at any time during this event.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND CLASS ASSIGNMENTS

Sailing instructions for the 155th NYYC Annual Regatta will be available on the NYYC website no later than May 29, 2009. Class assignments and scratch sheets will be available at check-in and on the NYYC website (www.nyyc.org).

9 VENUE

Races will be held off Newport, RI on Rhode Island Sound or in Narragansett Bay.

10 COURSES

Courses for all classes will be defined in the sailing instructions. Diagrams for the drop mark courses, including windward-leeward and triangle configurations, will be shown in sailing instruction Appendix 1 – Course Card. Government and South Bay Race Chart marks may be used for other courses.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

Except as may be noted in the sailing instructions for specific one-design classes, a yacht that may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing may take a penalty at the time of the incident either:

- (a) as provided in her class rules, or
- (b) by taking a Two-Turns Penalty in accordance with rule 44.2, or
- (c) by taking a Scoring Penalty in accordance with rule 44.3.

This changes rule 44.1.

12 SCORING

- 12.1 Multiple races will be planned in the Two-Day Series. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. A yacht's series score will be the total of all of her race scores. There is no discard race.
- 12.2 The Around-the-Island Race on Friday, June 12 shall be scored separately and does not count in the Two-Day Series score.
- 12.3 The Swan 42 class One-Day Series on Friday, June 12 shall be scored separately and does not count in the Two-Day Series score. Multiple races are planned. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. Separate prizes will be awarded.
- 12.4 The Around-the-Island Race Team Trophy for the Rolex Cup will be scored by using each team member yacht's percentage points (finish points divided by the number of starters) within its respective class. The team with the lowest average score will win.
- 12.5 The Great Corinthian Trophy will be scored by using each team member yacht's percentage points (finish points divided by the number of starters) within its respective class. The team with the lowest average score will win.

- 12.6 The IRC classes will be scored using the IRC Time Corrector (TCC) using time on time scoring.
- 12.7 PHRF classes will be scored using time on distance.
- 12.8 Classic Yachts will be scored using CRF.

13 PRIZES

- 13.1 Around-the-Island Race prizes will be presented at the Awards Party after the race on Friday, June 12 at Harbour Court. Prizes for the Around-the-Island Race will be awarded to the winning yacht in each class. Second place prizes will be awarded for classes with five or more yachts. Third place prizes will be awarded for classes with eight or more yachts.
- 13.2 'Boat-of-the-Day' prizes will be presented to the top boat on each circle in the opinion of the Race Committee for racing on Saturday, June 13 and Sunday, June 14 and will be awarded at Harbour Court following racing each day.
- 13.3 The Race Committee may award other prizes following racing each day as they deem appropriate.
- 13.3 155th NYYC Annual Regatta prizes will be presented at the NYYC Awards Dinner in New York City on Thursday, November 12, 2009, to which winners will be invited. Prizes will be awarded to the winning yacht in each class. Second place prizes will be awarded for classes with five or more yachts. Third place prizes will be awarded for classes with eight or more yachts.
- 13.3 The Rolex Cup will be presented at the Awards Party after the race on Friday, June 12 at Harbour Court to the best two-yacht team in the Around-the-Island Race.
- 13.4 The Great Corinthian Trophy will be presented at the NYYC Awards Dinner to the yacht club team with the best score in the Annual Regatta.
- 13.5 The Solution Trophy may be awarded to the yacht enrolled in the New York Yacht Club, which, in the opinion of the Race Committee, makes the best overall performance in the Two-Day Series.

14 LIABILITY

- 14.1 Crew Waiver Form - As a condition of entry, each owner, skipper and individual participating crew member shall sign a liability waiver/media release and the fully executed Crew Waiver Form shall be submitted by fax (401-846-3303), by mail or at check-in prior to racing. The Crew Waiver Form can be found at www.nyyc.org.
- 14.2 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, Rolex Watch U.S.A. and affiliated companies, and other sponsors will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. Attention is also drawn to ISAF Offshore Special Regulation 1.02, Responsibility of the Person in Charge, as well as the "Waiver and Release of Liability" as stated on the entry form.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please visit our website at www.nyyc.org or contact the Sailing Office. New York Yacht Club, Harbour Court; 5 Halidon Avenue; Newport, RI 02840
Tel: 401/845-9633; Fax: 401/846-3303; Email: sailingoffice@nyyc.org

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Attachment A - Regatta Regulations

1 REQUIRED EQUIPMENT

Each yacht shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating with the race committee on fleet channels.

2 MINIMUM CREW

The minimum crew aboard while racing shall be four.

3 CREW CHANGES

Yachts shall sail with the same crew in all races, unless (i) permitted by applicable class rules, or (ii) a written request for crew change has been submitted on the form, available online and at the regatta desk, and approved in advance by the Race Committee. Any new crew must submit their crew waiver found at www.nyyc.org to the regatta desk in person or by fax at (401) 846-3303 prior to racing.

4 CREW WEIGH-INS

4.1 Crew weigh-ins will be conducted only if (i) required by applicable class rules, or (ii) a yacht has been protested for violation of the applicable crew weight limitation.

4.2 The official scale will be available in the NYYC Sailing Center at times posted on the Official Notice Board for yachts wishing to confirm their compliance with applicable crew weight limitations.

5 IRC REGULATIONS

In accordance with IRC Rule 27.4, the OA is invoking the crew number limitation as printed on the IRC certificate for all yachts (endorsed and non-endorsed) that are sailing in IRC handicap divisions. There is no restriction on crew weight.

6 PHRF REGULATIONS

6.1 Maximum Crew Weight and Crew Limitations (per PHRF of NB suggestions)

<u>Up to LOA (ft)</u>	<u>Weight Limit (lbs)</u>	<u>Max. Crew</u>
25.00	900	5
27.50	1080	6
30.00	1260	7
32.50	1440	8
35.00	1620	9
37.50	1800	10
40.00	1980	11
42.50	2160	12
45.00	2340	13

6.2 PHRF entrants shall present a 2009 PHRF handicap certificate issued by PHRF Narragansett Bay. Applications and certificates may be obtained from PHRF-NB by contacting them via:

Website: www.phrf-nb.org

Email: PHRFAdmin@phrf-nb.net

Phone: (401) 253-0207 (Voice); (401) 254-1495 (Fax)

Address: PHRF-NB; P.O. Box 356; Washington, NC 27889