



PCYC ANNUAL REGATTA

NOTICE OF RACE

Saturday, July 1, 2023

Pointe-Claire Yacht Club
Lac St. Louis, Quebec

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*. (RRS)
- 1.2 If there is a conflict between languages the English text takes precedence.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available no later than 17h00 on June 29, 2023, on the PCYC Official Notice Board.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The Official Notice Board is located at: [2023 Official Notice Board | PCYC](#).
- 3.2 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio channel 77.
- 3.3 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats with a valid SLVYRA PHRF Handicap and all centerboard boats with a valid Portsmouth Yardstick handicap.
- 4.2 PHRF Classes as determined by SLVYRA and Centerboard Classes are distributed in Divisions which are defined as follows:
 - Division 1: PHRF 1 Spinnaker and White Sail, and PHRF 2 Spinnaker and White Sail
 - Division 2: PHRF 3 Spinnaker only
 - Division 3: PHRF 2 and PHRF 3: White Sail only
 - Division 4: Centerboard
- 4.3 A change of Division within the series is not permitted. The Division in which a boat checks in for her first race of the series shall stand for the entire series of the regatta, overriding what she may have registered or re-registered for on [gnsracing.com](#). De facto, she shall be scored only for that Division, without grounds for appeal. Even though registration on [gnsracing.com](#) is mandatory for race management, RC check in is what will always prevail over any other source of information.
- 4.4 Eligible boats, which have not registered for the GNS Series, must pre-register by filling the Registration Form which can be found at [www.gnsracing.com](#). An unregistered boat will not appear in the scoring, but will have her finishes reinstated upon completion of registration.
- 4.5 Checking in: On race day, an eligible boat shall check in by sailing, with its mainsail hoisted, past the transom of the Race Committee signal vessel on Starboard tack and hail to the race committee the Division that she intends to compete in. The Race Committee will acknowledge the check in with a hand signal (thumbs up, ok, or wave). Since multiple races are scheduled for the day, a boat need only comply with this process before her first race of the day.
- 4.6 White Sail eligible boats must have a white flag affixed to their backstay.
- 4.7 For Division 1, a boat shall decide to sail the entire series under either a White Sail handicap or a Spinnaker handicap. Changing handicap within the series is not allowed.
- 4.8 Once checked in, a boat is considered having come to the racing area for all the races of that day.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Three (3) races are planned.
- 5.2 The warning signal of the first race is planned for 11:00am.
- 5.3 No races will be started after 3:00pm

6. VENUE

- 6.1 NOR Addendum «A» shows the approximate location of the racing area.

7. SCORING

- 7.1 Each Division will be scored separately.
- 7.2 One completed race is required to constitute the series.
- 7.3 A boat's score will be the total of her race scores, this changes rule A2.1.
- 7.4 Rule A5.3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing will apply.
- 7.5 A boat will be considered having come to the racing area once she has complied with the process set out in 4.5.

8. PRIZES

- 8.1 Prizes will be awarded as follows:
 - a) In an event, when fewer than 4 boats from a division are scored only the first-place boat will be awarded a prize.
 - b) In an event, when fewer than 5 boats from a division are scored the first place and second place boats will be awarded a prize.
 - c) In an event, when 5 boats or more are scored in a division a prize will be awarded to the first, second and third place boats.

9. RISK STATEMENT

- 9.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

10. INSURANCE

- 10.1 All boats shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 CAD per incident or the equivalent.

Addendum A

