

# SIRA/TYC

## NOTICE OF RACE

1.1 **Rules** - All racing will be governed by:

1.1.1 The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2025-2028

1.1.2 The acting Race Committee and either the TYC or SIRA Fleet Captains

1.1.3 The Sailing Instructions

1.2 **Ratings** - All yachts must have a current PHRF-NB rating

1.3 **Schedule and Class Assignments** - The racing schedule and class assignments will be maintained on the website and subject to change. It is the intention of the organizing authority to have at least one spinnaker and non-spinnaker classes.

1.31 - Schedule - <https://www.siraracing.org/schedule.html>

1.32 - Class Splits - [https://www.siraracing.org/uploads/1/3/9/9/139981031/sira\\_tyc\\_-\\_fleet\\_splits.pdf](https://www.siraracing.org/uploads/1/3/9/9/139981031/sira_tyc_-_fleet_splits.pdf)

1.31 **Changing Classes** - yachts with a rating within 20 seconds above or below a current class split, shall have the option to request sailing in one fleet higher or lower but must have the approval of both the TYC and SIRA Fleet Chairs.

1.4 **Courses** will be maintained on the website. <https://www.siraracing.org/race-documents.html>.

1.5 **Yellow Flag Rule** - yachts in a “Spinnaker” designated class have the option of using a spinnaker at their discretion. A yacht must signify its intention to use a spinnaker when reporting to the committee boat and by displaying a Code Flag Q on its back-stay. Yachts displaying Code Flag Q will be scored using its PHRF-NB spinnaker rating. It is the obligation of a yacht to make this designation before their preparatory flag. Yachts not flying Code Flag Q will be scored using their non-spinnaker rating.

2.0 **Registration**- All participants must register, be current with dues and provide a copy of their CURRENT PHRF-NB certificate.

2.1 **Insurance** - all participants MUST carry liability insurance for their boats with a \$300,000 minimum Liability.

2.2 **Identifying numbers** must be displayed on the mainsail.

2.3 **Radios** - participants (racers and committee boats) are required to have a marine VHF Radio on board and monitor Channel 72

3.0 **Starting** - Racing will start in accordance with the starting procedures posted on the website.

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**4.0 Sailing Location** - races will be held principally in Mount Hope Bay. The Committee Boat shall determine the course to be sailed depending upon wind and weather conditions and display its number prominently.

**5.0 Scoring** for each series and for overall championships shall use the Cox-Sprague System.

**5.1 Time-on-Time** - SIRA/TYC is using Time-on-Time scoring when calculating the PHRF handicaps.

**5.2 Series Qualification** - For each series a yacht must race in 66% of the races being scored with the exception of the Fall Series which requires 60% participation.

**5.3 Throwout** - Yachts who sail in 100% of the races in a series will be given a throwout (their worst race for the series will be discarded). RC duty participation in a series constitutes participation to qualify for a throwout

**6.0 Safety Requirements** - All yachts must comply with the safety regulations outlined by the United States Coast Guard for a boat of their size and configuration.

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