

SIRA/TYC

NOTICE OF RACE

1.1 Rules will be governed by:

1.1.1 The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2025-2028

1.1.2 Race Committees which will be volunteers and members of the fleet

1.1.3 Volunteers assisted by Fleet Captain on Channel VHF 68

1.1.4 The Sailing Instructions

1.2 All yachts must have a CURRENT PHRF-NB rating

1.3 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 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.

2.0 Participants - must register through either SIRA or TYC and provide a copy of their CURRENT PHRF -NB certificate. **TYC members register through TYC and are entitled to race on payment of annual TYC membership. Others register with SIRA and enclose a check for \$50.00 payable to SIRA.**

2.1 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 Participants (racers and committee boats) are required to have on board and monitor VHF Channel 68

3.0 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. SIRA/TYC is using Time on Distance for each series and for overall consideration a yacht must race in 60% of the races being scored with the exception of the Spring Series which requires (2) or more races be raced by a competitor.

6.0 Awards

6.1 To be eligible for Awards - A boat must participate in 60% of a race series to qualify for awards (committee boat service counts as a qualifier). The exception is for the spring series which requires at least 2 races to be sailed.

7.0 **Safety Requirements**

7.1 All yachts must comply with the safety regulations outlined by the US Sailing “nearshore monohull” requirements and ensure safety equipment is on board and in working condition.

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