



NOTICE OF RACE

Neuse Yacht Racing Association Winter Series 2022-2023

(Including the Halloween Regatta)

The Neuse Yacht Racing Association (NYRA) is the Organizing Authority for this Series
All races in this series will be held in the vicinity of Neuse River markers #17 and #19 and
Broad Creek #2 downriver from New Bern

1. RULES:

1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing; the prescriptions of USSailing; the N.C. Wildlife Commission; and U.S. Coast Guard safety regulations.

1.2 The Navigation Class entrants must adhere to the "Rules Governing Cruising Fleet Boats for ICRC Races (see Attachment 1)

1.3. RRS 26 is changed for the Navigation Class starts

1.4. RRS Appendix T - Arbitration applies

1.5. RRS Appendix V - Alternative Penalties, Section V1 applies

2. ELIGIBILITY:

2.1. The regatta is open to sailboats 21 feet or longer LOA with a current NC PHRF rating certificate.

2.2. NC PHRF rating certificates may be obtained at www.ncphrf.com. Completed and signed Applications must be received no later than 1 week prior to the regatta. A provisional/temporary PHRF certificate may be issued to a participating sailboat by the PRO at his sole discretion, pending sufficient warning prior to the start of the regatta

3. ENTRY AND REGISTRATION:

3.1. Anticipated fleets are Spinnaker, Non-spinnaker, and Navigation Class

3.2 Eligible boats may enter by registering online at NYRA's Regatta Network page for this event.

3.3 Competitors can register only for the initial race, Halloween Regatta, or they can sign up for the whole Winter Series of seven races. Only racers who register for the entire series will be eligible for the series awards.

4. FEES:

4.1 Registration fees for all 7 Winter Series race days is \$150 for all classes, and includes admission to the socials (with dinner and limited adult beverages) after each event for all crew and their guests.

4.2 Registration fee for the Halloween Regatta only is \$40

4.3. Members of US Sailing receive a \$5 discount, and NYRA members receive a \$5 discount.

5. RACING SCHEDULE AND COMPETITORS MEETING:

5.1. Seven Regular Race Days are scheduled for the NYRA Winter Series:

Race #	Date	Social Location (specific directions will be provided prior to the event)
Day 1	Saturday, October 29, 2022 Halloween Regatta	Blackbeard Sailing Club (in partnership w BSC's 50th Anniversary Celebration)
Day 2	Saturday, November 12, 2022	TBD
Day 3	Saturday, December 3, 2022	TBD
Day 4	Saturday, December 17, 2022	TBD
Day 5	Saturday, January 7 , 2023	TBD
Day 6	Saturday, January 21, 2023	TBD
Day 7	Saturday, February 4, 2023	TBD

5.2. The First Warning Signal for all race days is scheduled at 10:55am.

5.3. The only skippers' meeting for the series and Halloween Regatta will be held Oct. 29 at 9:00am and will be held at Blackbeard Sailing Club.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

6.1. Sailing Instructions will be posted on the event page on Regatta Network prior to the first race of the series.

7. COURSES, STARTING AND FINISHING

7.1. Courses, starting and finishing will be defined in the Sailing Instructions

7.2. Spinnaker and Non Spinnaker fleets will sail either a Windward/Leeward or Triangle course.

7.3. The Navigation Class will sail a medium distance race with modified pursuit starts for every race day except for the last scheduled race day, on which they will all start on one line with the same start time

7.4. Dependent on the number of entrants and differences in ratings, the Navigation class may be divided into rating bands, each of which will have its own start.

7.5. All starts and finishes will be recorded by the Race Committee

8. SCORING AND HANDICAPS:

8.1 The Low Point System as described in Appendix A of the RRS will be used for scoring.

8.2 Appendix A2 is modified as follows; when 5 or more races are completed the worst score will be excluded, if 9 or more races are completed the worst 2 scores will be excluded.

8.3. Appendix A 5.3 will be used to score the series.

8.4 Corrected scores will be determine using time-on-time calculation.

8.5. The PHRF class splits for the Spinnaker and Non Spinnaker fleets may be as follows:
A<+120; 123>=B<=192; and C>=195.

8.6. There will be no class splits in the Navigation Fleet

8.7 One completed race will constitute the series

9. PRIZES:

8.1 Prizes will be awarded based on number of entries in each class and fleet.

9.2 Individual awards for the Halloween Regatta will be presented at that social following the race.

9.3 Winter Series awards will be presented at the Commodores Ball on February 18, 2023. on the form. or series.

10. SAFETY CONDITIONS AND ABANDONMENT:

10.1 The PRO for this series will be determined by the organizing authority prior to each Race Day.

10.2 Racing will be canceled on any day the RealFeel temperature as defined by Accuweather for New Bern is forecast to be at or below 35 degrees at the scheduled start time of racing. A pre-determination will be made at noon the day prior to any race based on the forecast for the start time of racing on www.accuweather.com for New Bern. If the forecast predicts that the RealFeel temperature will be at or below 35 degrees at the start of racing the next day, racing will be cancelled. Racing will also be cancelled when the sustained wind speed as measured by the PRO is above 25 knots prior to the start of a race.

10.3 Racing can also be canceled due to inclement weather at the discretion of the PRO at any time prior to, or during racing (including earlier than the noon decision on the day prior).

10.4 Notice of any cancellation will be posted on the NYRA website and sent to all registered skippers via email as soon as the determination is made.

11. INSURANCE, SAFETY & DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

11.1 Each participating boat must be insured with an adequate valid third-party liability policy.

11.2 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 error, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform, and fatigue resulting in increases 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

12. DOCKAGE:

12.1 The OA will attempt to find local dockage for any boats wishing to travel from other areas to sail for the Winter Series. Contact the board at bod@nyra.org if interested.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION:

For questions or further information, please contact bod@nyra.org

ATTACHMENT "A"

RULES GOVERNING CRUISING FLEET BOATS FOR ICRC RACES

THE ICRC recognizes the need to make accommodation for boat owners who may not wish to maintain their boat at the performance level implied by a standard NC-PHRF certificate. These boats are welcome to race in CRUISING FLEET. Therefore, the following guidelines are issued for those boats.

1. No boats specifically designed for racing are allowed.
2. Only Dacron sails are allowed. No spinnakers are allowed.
3. Powered winches are allowed.
4. A NC-PHRF rating for that particular boat must be issued.
5. Two of the four following additional Cruising Class requirements will be met, based on the statements of the boat owner at the time of registration.
 - a. Windlass or pulpit mounted anchor
 - b. Dodger/Bimini in place
 - c. The youngest sail to be 5 years old or older
 - d. Bottom paint 3 years old or older

HALLOWEEN REGATTA and WINTER SERIES REGISTRATION

Registration fee – Winter Series (7traces)(including Halloween Regatta) \$150.00
Registration fee – Halloween Regatta only \$ 40.00
Discount for members of US Sailing – Member Number (_____) (\$5.00)
Discount for NYRA members - Member Number (_____) (\$5.00)

Skipper _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Boat Make _____ Length _____ PHRF Rating _____

Sail Number (required) _____ Boat Name _____

(Pick One):

Spinnaker Class ___ Non-spinnaker Class ___ Navigation Class ___ Multi-Hull Class

Total Enclosed _____ Make check payable to “NYRA”

Mail this form with fee to: NYRA
P.O. Box 235
New Bern, NC 28563

or register online at: <http://regattanetwork.com>

link to online registration may also be found at: <http://www.nyra.org>

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. Each competitor is responsible for any and all liability claims which may result from their participation and shall be adequately self insured or covered by third-party insurance. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after each day's racing.

Signature _____ Date _____