



# ***The Neuse Yacht Racing Association***

***presents the 33rd Annual Labor Day Race***

## ***The Johnson Lexus Cup***



*August 31, 2025*

### **Sailing Instructions**

The Neuse Yacht Racing Association (NYRA) is the Organizing Authority for this event.

#### **1. Rules**

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) except as may be altered by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. RRS 26 is changed as described in SI 10 "The Start" below.

#### **2. Notices to Competitors**

Notices to Competitors will be displayed on the Official Notice Board located in the entrance passage to the Oriental Marina.

#### **3. Changes to the Sailing Instructions**

- 3.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions prior to going on the water will be posted on the Official Notice Board by 0900 on the day it will take effect.
- 3.2. While on the water, the Race Committee may make verbal changes to the Sailing Instructions. To do so they shall display Flag L and advise the fleet via VHF radio channel 78A and get each boat's acknowledgement.

#### **4. Signals Made Ashore**

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Signal Boat while at Oriental Harbour Marina and Inn.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, 1 minute is replaced by not less than 30 minutes, in race signals.

#### **5. Schedule**

- 5.1. 0900 Competitors Meeting on the deck at the Oriental Harbour Marina and Inn.
- 5.2. 1055 First Signal.
- 5.3. 1730 Shore party at the New Bern Farmers Market.

#### **6. Class Flags**

The class flag for the first start will be red.

#### **7. Racing Area**

The race will take place on the Neuse River between Oriental and New Bern

#### **8 The Start**

- 8.1 The start line will be between a staff flying an orange flag on the Signal Boat at the starboard end and the course side of a 3' inflatable tetrahedron on the port end.

2. RRS 26 will be used for the first start only.
3. Subsequent starts will be in a Pursuit format at times announced at the Competitor's Meeting with each boat given a start time. The Race Committee will notify each boat or group of boats of their pending start via radio communication on VHF Channel 78A. This changes rule 26.
4. In the event of a shortened course new start times will be provided for the course to be sailed.

9. **The Course**

From the start: leave #1 AC (Adam's Creek) to starboard; leave Neuse River #8 to starboard; to the Finish.

11 **The Finish**

The finish line will be between Neuse River #17 and a staff flying a blue flag on the Signal Boat.

12. **Protests and Requests for Redress**

- 12.1 Protest forms will be available from the Signal Boat. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered in writing to the PRO within 30 minutes after the signal boat docks.
- 12.2. Hearings will be conducted as soon as possible after racing.

11. **Scoring.**

The order of finishing shall be the order of placement, subject to the resolution of any protests.

12. **Safety Regulations**

- 12.1 All boats shall check in via VHF 78A at least 15 minutes before their scheduled start time.
- 12.1. A boat that retires shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

13. **Radio Communication**

- 14.1 The Race Committee will monitor and make announcements to competitors on channel 78A.
- 14.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to cell phones.

14. **Prizes**

Based upon the number of participants registered, prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

15. **Disclaimer of Liability**

Competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk. See Fundamental Rule 3, Decision to Race. Each competitor is responsible for any and all liability claims which may result from their participation and should 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 racing.