Chelsea Yacht Club

**Notice of Race/Sailing Instructions**

Sunset (Wednesday) Series

May 11th - September 28th, 2022

1. **Rules**: Races will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing and this document.

2. **Eligibility and Entry**
   2.1. Races are open to boats of all types, including sailboats from neighboring clubs and marinas, with a currently valid PHRF certificate issued by HRYRA or by YRALIS or shall meet the Ensign Class Assoc. rules, except as allowed by 4.2.
   2.2. Boats other than those based at Chelsea Yacht Club must register with the Fleet Captain at cycfleetcaptain@optimum.net and provide Vessel Name, Sail Number, Skipper Name, and a current proof of insurance for the duration of the racing season.
   2.3. There will be two fleets:
      2.3.1. PHRF B: Non-Spinnaker Fleet (all PHRF)
      2.3.2. PHRF A: Spinnaker Fleet (all PHRF)

3. **Signals Made Ashore**: If signals are made ashore will be displayed on the Chelsea Yacht Club Flagstaff.

4. **Classification**
   4.1. Boats shall have a currently valid PHRF certificate issued by HRYRA or by YRALIS or
   4.2. Boats shall meet the Ensign Class Assoc. rules.
   4.3. All CYC members and guests are encouraged to participate regardless of their experience level. A master/owner who has never previously raced as a skipper may apply for a temporary CYC PHRF certificate by completely filling out a PHRF application (available from the CYC Fleet Captain) and submitting it to the CYC Fleet Captain. PHRF numbers assigned by the CYC Fleet Captain are not valid for racing in the HRYRA divisions at the Chelsea Open Regatta and cannot be appealed.

5. **Schedule and Class Flags**
   5.1. Races will be held on Wednesday evenings starting on May 11, 2022. Racing will continue through September 28, 2022.
   5.2. Launch service will be provided from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM.
   5.3. First Gun will be no earlier than 6:30 PM from May thru the end of August and no earlier than 6:00 the rest of the season. Please be aware as this change takes place. The change is usually announced the week in advance as the sunset hour changes.
   5.4. The following warning flags will be used.
      5.4.1. PHRF B Non-Spinnaker Fleet will use the B Fleet Flag (Yellow Flag)
      5.4.2. PHRF A Spinnaker Fleet will use the A Fleet Flag (#1 Flag- White Field with Red Circle).

6. **Racing Area**: Appendix C shows the location of racing areas.
7. Courses and Marks
7.1. The courses to be sailed can be found in Appendix B and C and will be announced over the radio as well as displayed on the Race Committee Boat.
7.2. Course numbers (Black on White) will be posted on the R/C Boat. When a twice-around course is signaled (any course containing a hyphen such as DW-DW), all boats shall complete the first lap by sailing through a gate, defined as the R/C boat and “Y” Mark (Start/Finish line).
7.3. Mark “Y” is the starting pin which may be a mark of the course.

8. Starting and Finishing Line: The starting and finishing marks will be the race committee signal boat to the east and a nearby floating mark designated as Mark “Y” to the west.

9. Time Limits: The start cannot be postponed longer than 45 minutes. The first boat to finish must finish within 1½ hours after start. The Last Boat to finish must finish within 45 minutes of the 1st boat to finish.

10. Protests: For each class, the protest time limit is 30 minutes after the Race Committee reaches shore.

11. Scoring: Boats will be scored using the PHRF Time on Time System See section CYC Notice of Race 7.2 - Scoring for ToT formula. One race constitutes a series.

12. Radio Communications
12.1. CYC Race Channel is VHF Ch. 72.
12.2. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

13. Prizes: There will be no prizes awarded. All races will be scored and the scores will be posted and maintained at www.chelseayacht.org/raceresults

Appendix A, Wednesday Race Committee: Race committee duty is assigned based on last year’s competitors and their crew.
Appendix B, Courses: Race Committees for Wednesday Night Racing will use the Race Committee Boat and start the races at “S” Mark.

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