

Homecomers Regatta
September 26 & 27, 2020
Niagara-on-the-Lake Sailing Club
Melville Street, Box 1007
Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON, Canada

Notice of Race

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 **The person in charge shall ensure that all competitors in the crew and the boat's owner follow best practices and government rules as they apply to the COVID-19 virus.**

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to Shark class sailboats sailing out of the Niagara-on-the-Lake Sailing Club.

3 SCHEDULE

- 3.1 Dates of racing:

<i>Race Date</i>	<i>Scheduled 1st Warning Signal</i>	<i>No Warning After</i>
Saturday	1000	
Sunday	1000	1500

- 3.2 Number of races:

- (a) A maximum of four course races will be sailed on Saturday.
- (b) A long distance race will be sailed on Sunday.

- 3.3 Prize Giving: Sunday 1700 or 10 minutes after flag 'E' and 2 sound signals, whichever is earlier.

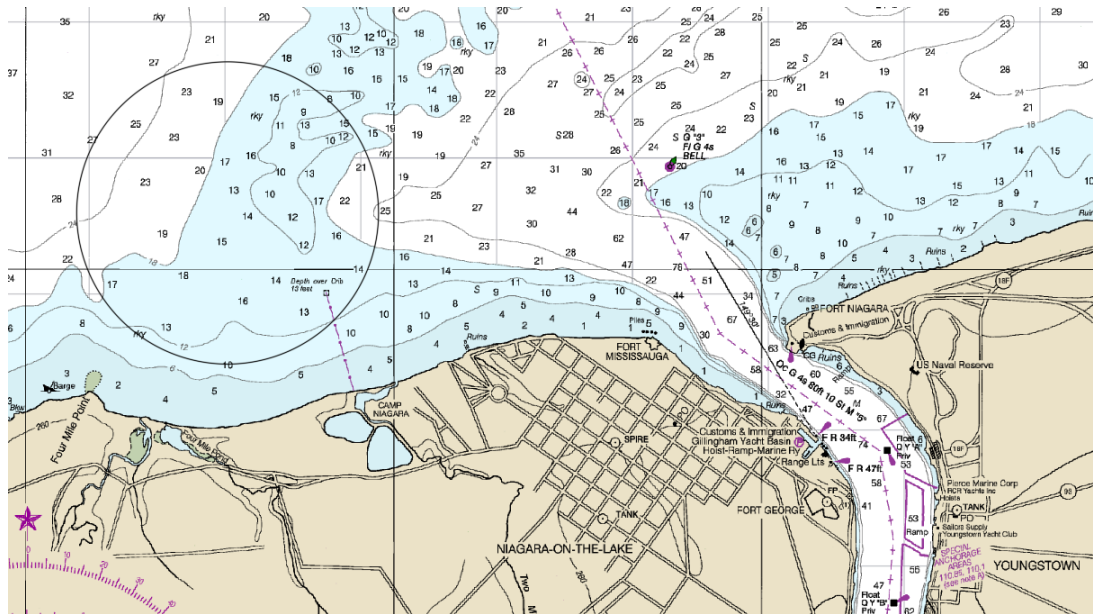
4 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions be available no later than registration.

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5 VENUE

5.1 The Saturday course races will be held approximately in the circle shown in the following diagram (not to be used for navigation):



5.2 The Sunday distance race will start near the NOLSC harbour entrance and the course will generally be west-northwest of Fort Niagara.

5.3 If conditions prevent holding a race on the lake, the race committee reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to hold races in the Niagara River.

6 THE COURSES

6.1 The course configuration will be:

- windward/leeward consisting of a minimum of three legs, for the Saturday course races;
- a course as chosen by the race committee for the Sunday distance race;
- a course chosen by the race committee if a river race is held.

7 SCORING

7.1 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- When 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

8 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. [DP]

The race committee may be making announcements over the VHF as a courtesy.

9 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

- Keeper trophies and/or prizes will be awarded to the top five captains and crews.

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(b) There will be lots of prizes for participation, because everyone deserves to get a prize!

10 **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. 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 the regatta.

11 **INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 2 million dollars (Canadian currency) or the equivalent.

12 **FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact Regatta Chair Rod Gardner at 905-401-0931 or rod.gardner@rbc.com