



Notice of Race

Convoy Cup Regatta

September 9-11, 2016

- 1. Organizing Authority:** These races are hosted by the Dartmouth Yacht Club of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia.
- 2. Rules:** Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 (RRS), the prescriptions of the Canadian Yachting Association and this Notice of Race except as modified by the Sailing Instructions. Dartmouth Yacht Club Race Committee (RC) will have final authority on all matters.
- 3. Description:** The Convoy Cup Regatta will be comprised of 2 races (courses and distances may be adjusted according to forecast winds and conditions):
 - 3.1 An overnight Ocean Race of 100 miles and fits into the description of the Offshore Racing Council's Category 3 to be called the Convoy Cup Ocean Race
 - 3.2 A Bedford Basin race
- 4. Start date and course:** The ocean race will commence September 10, 2016 at 1100 at a line established between HMS Sackville and a placed mark (another start location may be chosen at the Skippers' meeting depending upon weather conditions).
- 5. The Finish:** The ocean race shall finish in Halifax Harbour in the vicinity of West Outer Middle Ground light buoy (another finish location may be chosen at the Skippers' meeting depending upon weather conditions). The race will be postponed if unusually heavy weather is forecast.
- 6. Eligibility:** The owners of all boats entered in event must be current members of their national governing body, i.e.: local sailors must be a member of the Canadian Yachting Association. Your CYA card or similar proof of membership may be requested at registration. Yachts must have a valid Nova Scotia Yachting Association PHRF rating. Yachts without a NSYA rating may be assigned one by the Race Committee.

6.1 Eligibility for the Convoy Cup Ocean Race: Any sailing yacht which is a member of the NSYA with an overall length of 25feet (7.5 meters) or greater that meets the requirements of ORC Category 3 and complies with Canadian Coast Guard Small Vessel Regulations will be eligible. Every Yacht entering the race must have a crew of at least 2 persons and must have a watch-keeper on deck at all times.

6.2 Eligibility for the Basin Race: Any sailing yacht which is a member of the NSYA with an overall length of 22 feet (6.7 meters) or greater that complies with Canadian Coast Guard Small Vessel Regulations will be eligible. Every Yacht entering the race must have a crew of at least 2 persons and must have a watch-keeper on deck at all times.

7. Fleet Classes: Race Classes may consist of A spinnaker, B spinnaker, C non-spinnaker class. Classes must consist of four boats. A, B and C handicap may be combined or split. The ratings used will be the PHRF ratings assigned to each yacht by the NSYA. If a yacht does not have a NSYA rating one will be assigned by the RC for that race only.

8. Entry Fees: Entry fees for both (all) classes will be \$40.00

9. Schedule: Both races will commence on Saturday, September 10th

1700 - 2000	Friday, September 9 th	Registration and check in & Skipper's discussion
0830 - 0930	Saturday, September 10 th	Late Registration and check in
1100	Saturday, September 10 th	Warning signal for ocean race
1630 -	Sunday, September 11 th	Prize presentation

10. Equipment:

- 1.1. All yachts shall be equipped as per Transport Canada small vessel regulations.
- 1.2. Equipment for Ocean Race: In Addition, the following shall be carried:
 1. Jacklines that meet the requirements of ORC Category 3,
 2. Safety harnesses available for all crew members on deck after dark,
 3. Parts to facilitate repairs to rigging and/or vessel if necessary,
 4. Sufficient stores of food and water for up to two days
- 1.3. A boat or equipment may be inspected before or after racing for compliance with the NSYA class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee official to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

11. Prizes: Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers in each class.

13. Inspection for the Ocean Race: All participating vessels may be inspected prior to the start of the Ocean Race. Inspections shall be arranged through DYC.

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