

Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club

Notice of Race

2021 Club Championship

Championship October 2 (& 3), 2021

Qualifying September 11, 18, (25), 2021

The Organizing Committee (OC) is The Royal St Lawrence Yacht Club

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. Sail Canada Prescriptions 2021-2024 available at https://www.sailing.ca/uploads/2020/10/Sail-Canada-Prescriptions-to-the-RRS_2021-2024.pdf
- 1.3. Quebec Sailing Federation (FVQ) directives regarding COVID-19 from the Minister of Education, which may be in effect, available at: <u>https://www.voile.qc.ca/fr/</u> and <u>https://www.voile.qc.ca/images/Documents/Federation/COVID/2021/21-098-09_napperon_loisir-sports-ete2021_v2.pdf</u>
- 1.4. If there is a conflict between languages the English text takes precedence.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1. The sailing instructions will be available as of September 10, 2021 at https://rstlyc.qc.ca/notice-of-race

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1. The online official notice board is located at https://rstlyc.qc.ca/notice-of-race
- 3.2. Race documents and results, as a courtesy, may be posted on the board located immediately outside the RStLYC office.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio channel 77.



- 3.4. While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 3.5. A skippers meeting will be held Friday, September 10 at 12 PM. The Zoom link is as follows: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87053679837?pwd=OGd3S25sYXRRQzZCRzdmU3pPaXFjdz09

Meeting ID: 870 5367 9837 Passcode: 754967

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The Club Championship is open to members of RStLYC.
- 4.2. Entries must be made by emailing <u>trevor@49er.ca</u> by September 10, 2021.

5. CREW LIMITATIONS

5.1. COVID-19 Restrictions in place under NOR 1.3 or any other subsequent documents may further limit crew.

6. CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

- 6.1. The club championships will be held Saturday October 2, 2020. Sunday, October 3 will be a spare day in the event racing cannot be held October 2.
- 6.2. Start time is 10 AM.
- 6.3. There will be a boat rotation. The format will be provided at the skippers meeting.
- 6.4. Crew and skipper substitutions after the Qualifying Series will only be permitted at the discretion of the Sailing committee.

7. QUALIFYING SERIES

- 7.1. QUALIFYING RACES
 - 7.1.1. Two races will constitute a qualifying series. A maximum of four races may be held.

7.2. QUALIFYING GROUPS

- 7.2.1. If there are six or less entrants there will be no qualifying
- 7.2.2. If there are more than six entrants but less than 13 there will be two qualifying groups to select the top six teams. The top three teams in each group will advance the club championships.



- 7.2.3. If there are more than 12 teams but less than 19 teams, there will be three groups of qualifying. The top two teams in each group will advance to the club championships.
- 7.2.4. If there are more than 18 teams the Sailing Committee shall select the top 18 teams based on its seeding priority list.
- 7.2.5. The sailing committee reserves the right to modify number and size of qualifying groups, at its sole discretion.
- 7.2.6. If all qualification spots cannot be allocated in a given Qualifying Series, the sailing committee reserves the right to reallocate some or all spots to other series.
- 7.2.7. If a team that qualifies cannot race in the Club Championship, the sailing committee may allocate the spot to the next best team from the Qualifying Series.
- 7.2.8. Per NOR 7.2.7., if the vacant spot cannot be allocated from within the same Qualifying Series, the sailing committee may nominate the next best team from another Qualifying Series.

7.3. SEEDING

- 7.3.1.To allocate teams in the qualifying groups the Sailing Committee will prioritize teams based on race results, race results this season and participation at its sole discretion.
- 7.3.2.Teams will be allocated by the Sailing Committee to qualifying groups based on seeding and other factors, as determined by the Sailing Committee, to spread the best sailors across qualifying groups.

7.4. QUALIFYING RACING DAYS

- 7.4.1. Races will take place on Saturdays September 11, 18 and (possibly) 25, 2021. If a qualifying series cannot be completed on a racing day. It will be rescheduled to a subsequent Sunday or evening.
- 7.4.2. Start time 10 AM
- 7.4.3. A minimum of one race and maximum of three races will be held in an evening.

7.5. QUALIFYING RACING FORMAT

- 7.5.1.Teams will be allocated to Group A, B or C (if more than 12 competitors) based on seeding
- 7.5.2.Group A will race Saturday September 11
- 7.5.3.Group B will race September 18
- 7.5.4.Group C (if required) will race Saturday, September 25

8. BOATS / BOAT DRAW

- 8.1. The event will be held in Club Sharks. The Sailing Committee has worked to equalize the boats as best possible. Competitors recognize that the boats will not be equal in performance or equipment. A difference in boats is not grounds for protest or redress.
- 8.2. Standing rigging shall not be adjusted by competitors. The inner jib/genoa shall not be used.



- 8.3. For the Qualifying Series boats will be allocated for each day of racing by random draw supervised by the Principal Race Officer or Regatta Chair at 8:45 AM of the day of racing.
- 8.4. For the Club Championship boats will be allocated for each race according to a predetermined schedule. The boats for the first race will be allocated by random draw supervised by the Principal Race Officer or Regatta Chair at 8:45 AM of the day of racing.

9. LIFEJACKETS

9.1. Competitors must provide their own lifejackets which shall be worn at all times.

10. **COURSE**

10.1. The course will be windward, leeward twice around. The location of the course will be determined by the Race Committee.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

12. SCORING

12.1. Each boat's score shall be the total of her race scores. No score will be excluded.

13. RISK STATEMENT

13.1. 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 errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased 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.

14. INSURANCE

14.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$2,000,000.00 CAD per incident or the equivalent.



15. COVID-19 STATEMENT

- 15.1. Quebec vaccination passports are required and will be verified the day(s) of racing.
- 15.2. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to cancel or reschedule one or all event(s). The safety of sailors, club employees and volunteers is paramount. Therefore, all necessary safety precautions for Covid-19 shall be followed. Please remember to physical distance at least 2m away from others, to wear a mask where possible, regularly wash your hands, and avoid touching your face. If you have any symptoms of Covid-19 or are feeling unwell, you shall stay away from the regatta premises and competitors.

16. **PRIZES**

16.1. Prizes will be awarded at the RStLYC prize giving.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

17.1. For further information contact Regatta Chair, Trevor Parekh at trevor@49er.ca