QCYC Club Racing
General Information & Notice of Race (NoR)

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QCYC Wednesday Night Races

Wednesday, May 13, 2026, to Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2026

QCYC Last Chance Cup

Saturday, September 26, 2026

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General Information

(This general information does not rank as rules, if needed as a rule, it is explicitly included in the NOR, itself or SIs)

All participants, sailboats, person-in-charge, and crew shall comply with all laws and regulations of the Government of Canada, including its agencies, Ports Toronto, Government of Ontario, including its agencies, City of Toronto, including its agencies, and QCYC Policies and Rules.

Notice of Race

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty will be applied by the race committee without a hearing. The Standard Penalty assigned is listed in the applicable rule. This changes 60.5.

1 RULES

1.1 The Racing Rule(s) will be changed as outlined below.

1.1.1 [NP] RRS 61.4 (b) 1.

Is modified to allow the Race Committee the ability to announce sailboats subject to RRS 29.1 on the applicable VHF Marine channel.

1.1.2 RRS 60.5

Is modified by appending,

For any infringement. The protest committee may award a lesser penalty than DSQ, unless stated otherwise in the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions or Class Rules.

1.1.3 RRS A3

Is amended by adding the following:

If any handicap or rating system used in a QCYC Club Racing Events does not state the number of significant digits for the corrected time, the corrected time shall be calculated to the nearest second.

1.1.4 A5.3 applies to Wednesday Night Series 1, 2, and 3.

1.2 Class rule(s) will be changed as follows:

1.2.1 Any Class Rule prohibiting the carrying or the use of a VHF-FM marine radio is modified to allow the carrying or use of VHF-FM marine radio to:

- Receive any announcements of the Race Committee.
- Receive or transmit any emergency, security, or urgent radio

communications.
- Communicate withdrawals to the Race Committee.

Assuming the Class Rules permit such a change to them.

1.3 Safety Regulations

1.3.1 Check In

Prior to the first race of the day, boats shall check in by sailing on starboard tack, close past the stern of the Race Committee vessel. After the First Warning, any boats not in the first start who have not yet checked in must keep clear of the starting area and must not sail past the Race Committee vessel until after the Warning Signal for their start has been given, at which time they should then check in.

1.3.2 Withdrawal

A boat withdrawing from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible, either by:
- Radioing the Race Committee vessel on VHF channel 69 (Canadian)
- Verbally as sailing past the Race Committee

Or
- Requesting another boat to relay the message.

1.4 QCYC Sun Rise/Set Times

The sunrise and set times used by the Race Committee are available at https://www.timeanddate.com/sun/canada/toronto.

1.5 The Organizing Authority has set up a system wherein skippers have been assigned a night to act as Race Officer. If a volunteer steps forward to fill the role, they will be permitted to race. Skippers will not be permitted to substitute another person for their assigned night although they may trade their assigned night for another with the designated skipper. In the event that they do so they must inform the Rear Commodore two weeks in advance. Also, members of their crew may be impressed into service on the Race Committee if needed.

The jobs or roles that may be fulfilled by such an impressment include:

- Race Officer (RO)
- Mark Layer (ML)
- Coxswain for MV Kay Walker
- Equipment or vessel maintenance

1.6 Observers are welcome to attend QCYC Club Racing Protests provided that:

- Not party to the hearing objects

- Observers agree to conditions in the QCYC Club Racing Protest Observer Form and sign that form.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The Sailing Instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and Supplementary Sailing Instructions that will be as follows:

- Wednesday Night Racing - www.qcyc.ca/sailing/racing/wedseries
- Last Chance Cup - www.qcyc.ca/sailing/racing/lcc

The SSIs for each event will be posted at least 48 hours before the event starts.

3 COMMUNICATION

3.1 The official notice board is on the event's entry at racingrulesofracing.org as listed below:

- Wednesday Night Racing - https://tinyurl.com/QCYC2026WEDRONB
- Last Chance Cup - https://tinyurl.com/QCYC2026LCCRONB

Notices may also be posted on the unofficial notice board in the lobby of the QCYC Club House.

3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 09, 2,16, 69 and 71 Canadian.

3.3 On the water, the Race Committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio on VHF channel 69 Canadian. Failure of the Race Committee to make a broadcast, the contents, including the order of information, the timing of a broadcast, or the failure of a boat to hear a broadcast shall not be grounds for redress.

3.4 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a sailboat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all sailboats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 **All Events**

4.1.1 As part of the boat's registration, the Person-in-Charge and all crew accept the *QCYC Concussion Management Policy and Concussions Codes of Conduct,* available *at:* https://www.qcyc.ca/hse/concussion. An individual must do this annually for any QCYC event.

4.1.2 To be considered an entry in the event, a sailboat shall complete all registration requirements for that event.

4.2 **Wednesday Night Racing Series**

4.2.1 These races are open to any sailboat that meets the eligibility and entry requirement from the City of Toronto that is from a yacht club that belongs to Ontario Sailing/Sail Canada or is a member of Ontario Sailing Maple Leaf Fund.

4.2.2 Divisions:

4.2.2.1 Portsmouth: The event is open to all sailboats of the following classes:

Star using their Portsmouth number

Other One Design Classes using their Portsmouth number

4.2.2.2 PHRF: The event is open to all sailboats that have a valid PHRF-LO certificate. All racing under PHRF will be done under No Flying Sails (NFS). Depending on the number of sailboats registered that are racing PHRF, the PHRF class may be split into several classes.

4.2.2.3 Eligible sailboats may enter by registering before the sailboat's first race. https://tinyurl.com/QCYC2026WEDRADD

4.3 **Last Chance Cup (LCC)**

4.3.1 Restricted to QCYC boats only. Open to all QCYC sailboats.

4.3.1.1 Handicap: The event will be conducted under PHRF-LO Class Rules. If a boat does not have a PHRF-LO NFS rating, one will be assigned just for this event. All racing will be done under No Flying Sails (NFS). Depending on the number of boats registered, they may be split into several classes. Eligible sailboats may enter at the following URL by 1800 EDT, Friday, September 25, 2026:
https://tinyurl.com/QCYC2026LCCRADD

5 FEES

There are no fees.

6 ADVERTISING

6.1 Sailboats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1 Wednesday Night Racing

7.1.1 Participants' Meeting

1900 EDT, Wednesday, May 7, 2025.

7.1.2 Races

7.1.2.1 Wednesday Night Series

WEDNESDAY	1st WARNING	RACES	TIME LIMIT	SERIES
May 13, 2026	1810 EDT	1	(1)	1
May 20, 2026	1810 EDT	1	(1)	1
May 27, 2026	1810 EDT	1	(1)	1
June 3, 2026	1810 EDT	1	(1)	1
June 10, 2026	1810 EDT	1	(1)	1
June 17, 2026	1810 EDT	1	(1)	1
June 24, 2026	1810 EDT	1	(1)	2
July 1, 2026	1810 EDT	1	(1)	2
July 8, 2026	1810 EDT	1	(1)	2
July 15, 2026	1810 EDT	1	(1)	2
July 22, 2026	1810 EDT	1	(1)	2
July 29, 2026	1810 EDT	1	(1)	2
August 5, 2026	1810 EDT	1	(1)	2
August 12, 2026	1810 EDT	1	(1)	3
August 19, 2026	1810 EDT	1	(1)	3
August 26, 2026	1810 EDT	1	(1)	3
September 2, 2026	**1740 EDT**	1	(1)	3
September 9, 2026	**1740 EDT**	1	(1)	3
September 16, 2026	**1740 EDT**	1	(1)	3

(1) 2045 EDT or sunset, whichever is earlier.

7.1.2.2 Last Chance Cup

EVENT	DATES(S)	PARTICIPANTS' MEETING	1st WARNING	MAX. # OF RACES
Last Chance Cup	Sat., Sept 26th	1035 Sat., Sept 26th	1135	1

8 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

8.1 Each sailboat, racing under PHRF, shall produce or verify the existence of a valid rating certificate.

8.1.1 For Wednesday Night Racing, the QCYC OA may issue an interim rating based on the estimated expected PHRF-LO rating with a minus 60 seconds a mile. The sailboat will race in the PHRF class based on the interim rating without the assigned minus 30 seconds a mile.

9 VENUE

9.1 Wednesday Night Racing

9.1.1 The racing venue will be in the Toronto Inner Harbour.

9.2 Last Chance Cup

9.2.1 The racing venue will be in the Toronto Inner Harbour and Outer Harbour.

10 COURSES

10.1 The SI Supplement will detail the courses.

11 SCORING

11.1 For all events that are a series, one race constitutes a series.

11.2 For all events that are a series, the dropped races/discards are:

RACES COMPLETED	DROPPED RACES/DISCARDS
4 or less	0
5 or 6	1
7 or more	2

11.3 Wednesday Night Racing Scoring System & Methodology

RRS A5.3 applies.

CLASS (RRS26)	**SYSTEM**	**METHODOLOGY**
PHRF	PHRF-LO	Time on Time using A and B recommended by PHRF-LO for club racing. Calculated to the nearest second by Sailwave.
Portsmouth	US Portsmouth Yardstick	US Portsmouth Yardstick rating by Sailwave to calculate corrected time to the nearest second.

10.1 Last Chance Cup

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All	PHRF-LO	Time on Time using A and B recommended by PHRF-LO for club racing. Calculated to the nearest second by Sailwave.

11 RIGHTS & DATA PROTECTION

11.1 [NP] All pictures, audio and video recordings, graphic logos and service names contained herein or produced during the race by or on behalf of the QCYC, are the property of either the QCYC or their respective members. No rights are granted to use pictures, graphic logos, and service names without permission.

11.2 [NP] Registrants, competitors, and participants grant the QCYC the unrestricted right and permission to use the name and/or image for any text, photograph, or video footage of either themselves or the boat they are sailing during the event to be published or broadcast in any media whatsoever (including but not limited to press, TV, social media, or internet), for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information

12 RISK STATEMENT

12.1 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. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers, volunteers, and sponsors from all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

The Person-in-Charge/Skipper/Owner of the boat is responsible for the safety of the crew and the boat and is solely at their discretion to participate in any events.

13 INSURANCE

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

14 PRIZES

14.1 Prizes will be given as follows:

14.1.1 Flags will be awarded for each race in each Class, as follows:

NUMBER OF SAILBOATS PARTICIPATING IN A CLASS FOR THE RACE:	FLAGS AWARDED FOR:
One	First

Two	First
Three	First and second
Four or more	First, Second and Third

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

15.1 For further information please contact: rearcommodore@qcyc.ca

QCYC Wednesday Night Racing Racingrulesofsailing.org Public Links

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Links to Public Information

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Boat Damage Report

Contact (non-competitor)

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