



# NEW YORK YACHT CLUB WORLD INVITATIONAL CUP



**September 15-19, 2009**  
**Newport, Rhode Island**

## **NOTICE OF RACE**

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the New York Yacht Club World Invitational Cup Organization LLC.

### **GENERAL FORMAT**

The New York Yacht Club World Invitational Cup is an event held in Swan 42 Class yachts. The regatta will be hosted by the New York Yacht Club in Newport, Rhode Island in alternate years beginning in 2009. Specific eligibility requirements are described in paragraph 4.

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The prescriptions of US SAILING to *The Racing Rules of Sailing* listed in Addendum A shall apply and are posted on the NYYC World Invitational Cup website at [www.nyyc.org/worldinvitationalcup/](http://www.nyyc.org/worldinvitationalcup/) as Notice of Race Addendum A.
- 1.3 The Swan 42 Class Association Rules shall apply except as specifically changed in this Notice of Race or in the sailing instructions. The Swan 42 Class Association Rules are posted on the NYYC World Invitational Cup website at [www.nyyc.org/worldinvitationalcup/](http://www.nyyc.org/worldinvitationalcup/) as Notice of Race Addendum B.
- 1.4 Swan 42 Class Association rules 4, 6 and 7 do not apply.
- 1.5 **Minimum Equipment:** The minimum equipment required to be on board shall include:
  - Those items posted as Notice of Race Addendum C, Required Equipment and Modifications, on the NYYC World Invitational Cup website at [www.nyyc.org/worldinvitationalcup/](http://www.nyyc.org/worldinvitationalcup/);
  - Safety equipment as described in 2008-2009 ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Category 5 posted on the NYYC World Invitational website at [www.nyyc.org/worldinvitationalcup/](http://www.nyyc.org/worldinvitationalcup/) as Notice of Race Addendum D. The US SAILING prescriptions to the Offshore Special Regulations shall not apply. This changes Swan 42 Class Association Rule 21.4;
  - Optional equipment that was in place for the one design measurement of the yacht (Swan 42 Class Rules 21.2 and 21.3);
  - Corrector weights (if any) as listed on the yacht's One Design Certificate;
  - The combined minimum weight of the anchor, chain and rode shall be 16 kg, all ready for immediate use;
  - Other specific items that may be designated by the Organizing Authority.
- 1.6 ISAF Sailor Classification Code, Regulation 22 will apply. Information on how to apply can be found at [www.sailing.org/classification](http://www.sailing.org/classification).
- 1.7 On the water umpiring may be used and will be detailed in the sailing instructions.
- 1.8 The Jury may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of the Class Rules, Offshore Special Regulations or other non-Part 2 rules. This changes RRS 64.1.

## 2 YACHTS, SAILS AND WIND RESTRICTIONS

- 2.1 Swan 42 Class yachts will be used for competition.
- 2.2 Yachts may be provided by the Invited Yacht Club or other Sailing Organization entering the event or may be chartered.
- 2.3 Sails will be provided by the Organizing Authority and will include a mainsail, roller-furling jib and two spinnakers. Other sails shall not be used unless approved by the Organizing Authority.
- 2.4 Upper wind limits will apply due to the charter nature of the regatta. The Race Committee will not start a race in sustained wind velocity greater than 22 knots and will abandon a race in sustained wind velocity greater than 25 knots.

## 3 ADVERTISING

- 3.1 For the purposes of RRS 79 and ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code, Category C will apply with restrictions as described in NOR 3.2.
- 3.2 Swan 42 Class Association Rule 17.0 limits Advertising to ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code, Category A. The sailing instructions will change the Swan 42 Class Association Rule 17.0, Advertising, for this event with permission from the Class in accordance with rule 87 [The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2009-2012] to allow Category C advertising with the following specifications:
- The forward 20% of the hull is limited to advertising provided by the Organizing Authority [ISAF Regulation 20.3(d)(i)];
  - Competitors are permitted to place advertising of their own choice on each side of the hull from amidships (50% LOA) aft with the total area of the graphics on each side to be contained within a contiguous area no larger than one square metre. Competitors shall provide their own graphics. Competitors are requested to respect the brand exclusivity of the Official Sponsors of this event.
  - Advertising is not permitted on the spars.
  - Sails will be supplied by the Organizing Authority. Category C advertising on the sails is available to the Organizing Authority [ISAF Regulation 20.3.2].
  - Competitors may display advertising on clothing and personal equipment without restriction.
  - Clothing to be worn while racing may be provided by the Organizing Authority and may be worn at the absolute discretion of the individual competitor.
- 3.3 Each yacht shall display the event backstay flag and bow stickers provided at registration while racing.

## 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Entry to the regatta is by invitation from the Organizing Authority to a Yacht Club or other Sailing Organization.
- 4.2 Acceptance of the invitation shall be made by submitting the attached Acceptance Form no later than November 1, 2008.
- 4.3 Invited Yacht Clubs or other Sailing Organizations that provide their own Swan 42 Class yacht will be accepted for entry into the regatta. The Organizing Authority will award the remaining spots to other invited Yacht Clubs or Sailing Organizations accepting the invitation based upon the availability of charter yachts.
- 4.4 **Entry Form:** An Entry Form will be sent to those Yacht Clubs or Sailing Organizations selected as described in NOR 4.3. Entry shall be made by completing Part 1 of the Entry Form and sending it, together with the required fee, to New York Yacht Club by December 1, 2008.
- 4.5 **Crew List:** Not later than the Crew Deadline of September 1, 2009, Part 2 of the Entry Form shall be submitted to the New York Yacht Club and will include information for each competitor on Club membership, nationality and ISAF classification. Registration for the event will not be complete until all information has been received, checked and verified.

- 4.5.1 Crew lists will be posted on the event website and on the official notice board at the NYYC Sailing Center as soon as practicable after receipt.
- 4.6 **Team Composition:** Teams shall consist of up to eleven crew.
- 4.6.1 The crew sailing on the yacht shall comply with the requirements of NOR 4.7, 4.8, 4.9 and 4.10 at all times unless specifically waived by the Jury.
- 4.6.2 Each team shall sail with the same number of crew members each day except with the permission of the Jury.
- 4.6.3 Crew may not be changed between races on a given day except with the permission of the Jury.
- 4.7 **Yacht Club Membership:** The helmsperson and tactician, and all but two members of the remaining crew, shall have been members of the Invited Yacht Club or Sailing Organization as of the invitation date, August 25, 2008. Spouses of members and member's children under the age of 25 on the first day of racing are also eligible.
- 4.8 **Nationality:** All but two of the crew shall hold a passport for the country of the Invited Yacht Club's or Sailing Organization's primary location. In special circumstances, an exception may be granted upon application to the Organizing Authority. Passports of all crew shall be presented at registration.
- 4.9 **ISAF Classification:** The ISAF Regulation 22, Sailor Classification Code, will apply. An ISAF representative will be present during the event and will carry out spot checks regarding sailor classification. **Attention is drawn to ISAF Regulation 22.5.**
- 4.9.1 All crew members shall have a current ISAF classification. No more than one crew member may be classified Group 3. That crew member shall not helm the yacht in a race, except for emergencies involving the safety of the yacht or the crew, and shall meet the requirements, rather than the exceptions, of NOR 4.7 and 4.8. All unclassified sailors shall be deemed to be Group 3. For clarification, rules related to the Group 3 competitor as permitted by this NOR are:
- The Group 3 competitor may receive compensation;
  - The Group 3 competitor shall not helm the yacht;
  - The Group 3 competitor may represent the yacht in a protest;
  - The Group 3 competitor shall have been a member of the Invited Yacht Club or Sailing Organization as of the invitation date, August 25, 2008;
  - The Group 3 competitor shall hold a passport for the country of the Invited Yacht Club's or Sailing Organization's primary location.
- 4.9.2 The Classification Protest time limit is 1800 Monday, September 14, 2009. At their discretion, this time limit may be extended by the Jury if the Crew List has been changed after the Crew Deadline on September 1, 2009.
- 4.10 **Weight limit:** Crew weigh-ins will be conducted at registration. The total crew weight shall be in accordance with Swan 42 Class Association Rule 8.1 (850 kg or 1870 lbs). In accordance with Swan 42 Class Association Rule 8.1.2, the owner or charterer may elect to weigh-in or shall be allocated a weight of 187 lbs (85 kg). In the case of multiple owners, only the owner-driver or charterer may elect to take the allocated weight allowance. There will not be random weigh-ins made during the regatta. Swan 42 Class Association Rules 8.3.3 and 8.3.4 shall not apply.
- 4.11 **Owner's Representative:** A yacht chartered from the Organizing Authority may have an owner's representative who may be a contributing member of the crew and is exempt from NOR 4.7, 4.8 and 4.9. The owner's representative shall be either an owner of the chartered yacht, the chartered yacht's regular captain or a regular member of the chartered yacht's crew. The owner's representative is not restricted in ISAF classification. The Organizing Authority retains the right to reject a nominated owner's representative.
- 4.12 **Crew substitution:** Prior to 1800 on September 14, 2009, a substitution to the submitted Crew List may only be made with the permission of the Organizing Authority. After that time, a substitution may only be made with permission of the Jury.
- 4.13 **Check-in:** All teams shall register during the registration time on Tuesday, September 15. Registration will take place in the NYYC Sailing Center, Harbour Court; 5 Halidon Avenue; Newport, RI 02840.

**5 FEES**

5.1 The entry fee is US \$5,000 and shall be paid with the entry form. Wiring information will be provided upon request.

5.2 The entry fee includes social events for up to eleven crew members. Additional tickets can be purchased as follows:

Tuesday	September 15	Opening Reception & Cocktail Party	\$50/person
Saturday	September 19	Final Awards Banquet	\$90/person

5.3 There is a mandatory \$500 insurance fee for all charter yachts to cover hull and rig damage and liability against third party claims.

5.4 In addition, teams chartering a yacht shall provide a security deposit equal to the 2% deductible (\$16,500) per incident prior to the start of racing by providing credit card information at registration. The deposit is a per-incident maximum and will have to be replenished after each incident. The security deposit shall not be released prior to fourteen days after the conclusion of the event.

**6 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Monday, September 14	1800	Classification Protest Time limit
Tuesday, September 15	0900-1100	Registration
	1100-1700	Practice Sailing
	1800	Captains' Meeting
	1830-2000	Opening Reception
Wednesday, September 16	1100	First Warning Signal
Thursday, September 17	1100	First Warning Signal
Friday, September 18	1100	First Warning Signal
Saturday, September 19	1100	First Warning Signal
	1900-2300	Final Awards Banquet

**7 MEASUREMENT**

7.1 Each yacht shall submit a valid certificate to the NYYC Sailing Office before Monday, September 14, at 1700.

7.2 All yachts shall be weighed in Newport prior to the event. Swan 42 Class Association Rule 25, Empty Weight, will apply. Appointments for weighing will be coordinated through the Measurement Committee at the Sailing Office. It is likely that all weighing will be conducted on Monday, September 14.

7.3 Yachts shall be available for inspection on Tuesday, September 15 and may be inspected at random during the regatta.

**8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available no later than August 31, 2009 on the NYYC World Invitational Cup website at [www.nyyc.org/worldinvitationalcup/](http://www.nyyc.org/worldinvitationalcup/).

**9 VENUE**

Races will be held off Newport, RI on Rhode Island Sound or on Narragansett Bay.

**10 COURSES**

Courses will be defined in the sailing instructions. Possible race courses will include drop mark races and point-to-point races. Government marks may be used in the point-to-point races.

## **11 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 11.1 Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that, except for infringements of Part 2 that occur within the *zone* of a rounding mark or finishing mark, only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.
- 11.2 Decisions of the Jury will be final as provided in rule 70.4.

## **12 SCORING**

- 12.1 Multiple races are scheduled. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2 A yacht's series score shall be the total of all of her race scores. No score will be excluded. This changes rule A2.

## **13 SUPPORT BOATS**

Support boats shall not have contact with the racing yachts from the first course signal of the day until after the last yacht has finished the final race of the day.

## **14 BERTHING**

Moorings will be available at the New York Yacht Club, upon request. Dockage may be arranged for the fleet by the Organizing Authority. Yachts shall not be hauled after weigh-in without permission of the Jury.

## **15 PRIZES**

- 15.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top three teams. The winning Yacht Club's or Sailing Organization's name will be engraved on the NYYC World Invitational Cup which shall remain in the custody of New York Yacht Club.
- 15.2 Participation awards will be presented to each Yacht Club.

## **16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND MEDIA WAIVER**

- 16.1 **Liability & Media Waivers:** All competitors shall sign and submit the Liability & Media Waiver available on the NYYC World Invitational Cup website at [www.nyyc.org/worldinvitationalcup/](http://www.nyyc.org/worldinvitationalcup/) and submitted at registration.
- 16.2 Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, Presenting Sponsor and affiliated companies, and other sponsors 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. Attention is also drawn to ISAF Offshore Special Regulation 1.02, Responsibility of the Person in Charge, as well as the "Waiver and Release of Liability" as stated on the entry form.

## **17 INSURANCE**

- 17.1 Teams chartering yachts shall meet the insurance requirements in NOR 5.3 and 5.4.
- 17.2 Teams bringing their own yacht shall provide evidence of valid third-party liability insurance (protection & indemnity) with a minimum coverage of \$1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

## **18 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, please visit our website at [www.nyyc.org/worldinvitationalcup/](http://www.nyyc.org/worldinvitationalcup/) or contact the Event Chairman or the New York Yacht Club Sailing Office.

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