



NYYC CLASSICS RULES

NOTICE OF RACE ADDENDUM

These rules are in effect for all yachts competing in classes using CRF rating certificates in the following NYYC events and will be included as an addendum in the respective Notices of Race: *Annual Regatta, Annual Cruise, Race Week, Robert H. Tiedemann (RHT) Regatta, or other special events*

1 GENERAL

- 1.1 All yachts must present a current CRF Certificate.
- 1.2 Yachts may only have one valid CRF Certificate at a time, and may only submit one rating certificate per season. Other limitations on obtaining certificates may apply in the CRF rules.
- 1.3 These NYYC Classics Rules do not pertain to yachts racing as a one-design or metre rule class. The class rules take precedence.

2 RULES CHANGES

For the purposes of rules 10, 13, 14, 15 and 16, the definition of keep clear is changed to:

Keep Clear: One boat keeps clear of another when she is more than one of her hull lengths away from the other boat, the other can sail her course with no need to take avoiding action and, when the boats are overlapped on the same tack and the leeward boat can change course in both directions without immediately making contact with the windward boat.

3 SCORING

- 3.1 CRF Ratings are to be used for all scoring.
- 3.2 Scoring calculations are to be based on a scratch boat with a CRF rating of 81.0. The seconds/mile between any two boats are calculated using the CRF seconds/mile table on the NYYC website www.nyyc.org/crfclassicrule/.
- 3.3 CRF non-spinnaker (base) ratings are to be used unless a separate spinnaker class is specified.
- 3.4 CRF Spinnaker ratings should never be scored together with CRF non-spinnaker ratings. The ratings are not calibrated to accurately compare a spinnaker and non-spinnaker yacht.

4 ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility for each regatta is determined by the Notice of Race for that event. Yachts must meet those requirements in addition to these NYYC Classics Rules.

5 CLASS DESIGNATIONS

5.1 Size Guidelines

5.1.1 NYYC offers CRF racing primarily for Classic yachts up to 75'. Classic yachts larger than 75' will be addressed on a case by case basis, and may race in CRF, utilizing these NYYC Classics Rules, or, if appropriate, under the "La Belle Class" rules.

5.1.2 NYYC Classics will use as a guideline, where possible, to group yachts in a class where the largest yacht is no more than 1.5 x LOA of the smallest yacht in that class.

Example: 50' boat races up to a max size boat of 75'

5.2 La Belle Class

Yachts larger than 75' may be provided with a unique class allowing a more appropriate rating band and courses. If established, additional existing parameters for safety and equipment will be promulgated.

5.3 Classes

CRF Vintage and CRF non-Vintage yachts shall not be scored together. CRF non-Vintage yachts are not eligible for the NYYC Classic Series Corinthian Trophy.

5.3.1 CRF Vintage

Design, Construction and materials

- Full keeled (or keel-centerboard)
- steel and wooden yachts
- Minimum of 30' LOA, full decked (reasonable cockpit excepted), with accommodation
- designed prior to 1968 and built utilizing original materials and methods
- rigged with aluminum or wooden spars

Sails (permitted)

- Cross-cut design (except spinnakers)
- woven fabric (canvas, Nylon, Dacron as well as more contemporary woven fabrics such as Vectran, Hydranet, etc. are permitted if used in cross-cut designed sails)

Sails (not permitted)

- Radial design (except spinnakers)
- Any sail utilizing advanced shaping technologies (3DL or similar)
- Laminate or composite construction or materials such as, but not limited to, Mylar, Kevlar, Spectra, and Carbon Fiber, etc.

Other equipment

- the use of hydraulic or power winches is not permitted

5.3.2 CRF non-Vintage

Yachts that evoke the pre-1968 design and/or spirit of Vintage yachts, but do not otherwise meet all of the above criteria for a Vintage yacht.

5.4 Spinnaker Classes

5.4.1 For Annual Regatta, Annual Cruise, Race Week and RHT Regatta:

- a. For CRF rated yachts, separate spinnaker and non-spinnaker classes will be established as long as there is a minimum of four comparable (as defined by the NYYC Classics Committee below) yachts in each class.
- b. All boats shall race in non-spinnaker classes unless there is a minimum of four comparable yachts in both the spinnaker and non-spinnaker classes (minimum of 8 yachts).

5.4.2 For Annual Cruise only:

In addition to the above requirements, all yachts shall declare their intention to sail in a spinnaker class for either the Queen's Cup, Astor Cup and/or Squadron Runs by the entry deadline. Except as designated by the OA, no changes in ratings or classes will be permitted after that time.

6 LIMITATIONS ON HEADSAILS & EQUIPMENT

6.1 A whisker pole or spinnaker pole may be used to wing out a jib on the side opposite the main boom as long as no other sail, including a staysail, is set in the fore-triangle. This changes RRS 50.2.

6.2 Poles must be fixed at the mast while in use in accordance with RRS 50.2.

6.3 Spinnakers and Headsails are defined in accordance with RRS 50.4.

6.4 Non-Spinnaker Classes Sail Limitations:

- a. Only one jib shall be carried in the fore-triangle at one time: i.e., drop one sail before setting another. This changes RRS 50.1.
- b. Bona fide double headsail rigs (*defined as being properly rigged, including permanent fixed points on deck and on the mast*) may carry a fore-triangle staysail that is hanked on to the inner forestay. All headsails must be tacked on the centerline of the boat.
- c. All sails set in the fore-triangle must be hanked on for the full length of the stay (except fixed-stay roller furling sails). Flying a headsail on its tack and head only, or on an internal wire luff, is not permitted.
- d. Mizzen staysails are permitted. On schooners, a fisherman or gollywobbler is permitted. Mizzen spinnakers are not permitted.
- e. All yachts shall be limited to headsails no greater than 150% LP unless they have been re-rated and have a new CRF certificate that specifies their maximum headsail LP. Yachts with a CRF rating with a modified LP may race with sails up to, but no greater, than their CRF rated LP.

6.5 Spinnaker Classes

- a. Spinnaker classes are exempt from the above non-spinnaker sail limitations, but must comply with sail material and all other listed rules and eligibility requirements.