



## WELCOME!

We hope you and your guests enjoy the racing in the fourth biennial New York Yacht Club Invitational Cup.

There are fourteen teams from eight countries and five continents competing. Up to twelve races will be run during the five days of racing. Depending on the weather conditions, racing will be held on Rhode Island Sound or in the East Passage of Narragansett Bay over windward-leeward courses. As many as three races may be run on a given day. The first warning signal is scheduled at 1100 each day. Teams are identified by their bow & sail number, their yacht club burgee and name on the mainsail and their national flag on the transom. The competing teams are:

Boat #	Yacht Club	Country	Burgee
01	Royal Thames Yacht Club	U.K.	
02	Southern Yacht Club	U.S.A.	
03	Eastern Yacht Club	U.S.A.	
04	New York Yacht Club	U.S.A.	
06	Yacht Club Argentino	Argentina	
07	Royal Yacht Squadron	U.K.	
08	Royal Cork Yacht Club	Ireland	
09	Japan Sailing Federation	Japan	
11	Royal Swedish Yacht Club	Sweden	
14	Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron	Australia	
15	Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club	Hong Kong	
16	Itchenor Sailing Club	U.K.	
21	Shelter Island Yacht Club	U.S.A.	
22	New Bedford Yacht Club	U.S.A.	

## COMMUNICATIONS

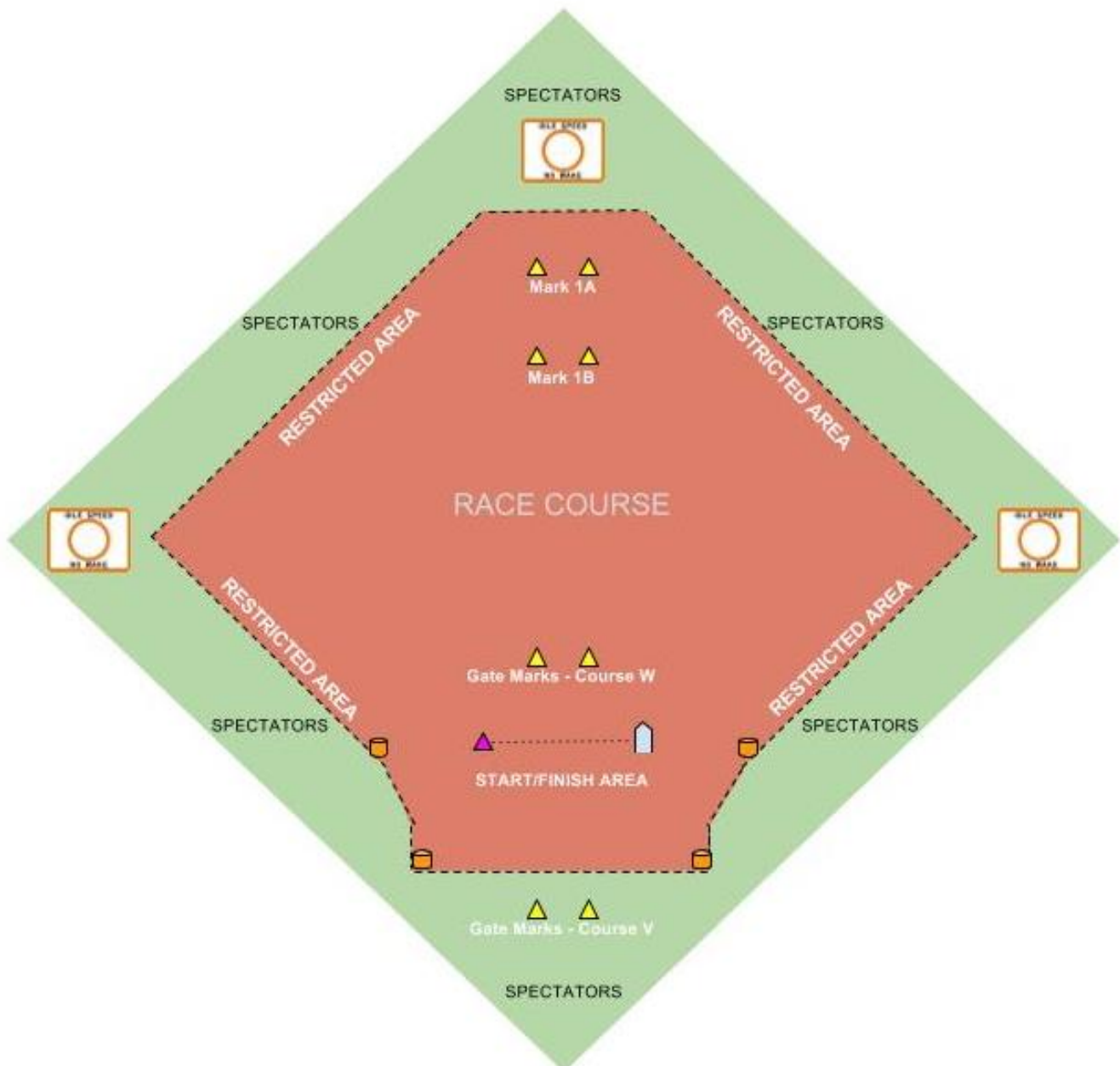
- Course Marshal boats are identified by yellow flags with large black lettering “M1”, “M2”, etc.
- Listen to **Channel 72** for official information from the Race Committee and the Course Marshal.
- Please do not use Channel 72 for your personal conversations as this will interfere with race information broadcasts.
- Please comply with all instructions received from the Course Marshals to keep clear of the racing area.
- **In an emergency: Call “Coast Guard Castle Hill” on Ch 16, then advise the Course Marshal on Ch 72 if time permits.**

## HOW TO FOLLOW THE RACING

- **Website** (results, race documents, press releases, etc.) - <http://nyyc.org/yachting/invitational-cup/2017-invitational-cup>
- **Live** – Streaming video and commentary are available through the Invitational Cup Facebook page and 2D customized tracking is available through the TracTrac apps found on itunes and google play. Links to these can also be found on the regatta website.
- **Facebook** - <https://www.facebook.com/NYYCInvitationalCup>

## WHERE TO POSITION YOUR BOAT

- Stay outside of the Course Marshal boats and all buoys in the area.
- Race buoys are yellow tetrahedrons. Change marks used when the wind shifts are orange tetrahedrons. Please stay outside of these marks.
- Stay out of the race course area; never cut in front of a racing boat – proceed on a parallel or diverging course and do not “cut the corner” even if there is no racing boat on your side of the course.
- At the windward mark, **keep your distance** and position your boat’s **bow into the wind** and DO NOT block the wind.
- Be aware that the wind may shift and the angle of the race course and sailboats may change accordingly.
- Observe the **5 knot speed limit** when near the race course. Observe the “Rules of the Road” and use common sense.
- **MIND YOUR WAKE** especially in light air. Even if you are well outside the race course area, your wake can carry onto the race course and affect the racing.
- Obey the instructions of the Coast Guard at all times.
- Enjoy the racing and please allow the racing boats to do the same!



**MONITOR VHF CHANNEL 72 FOR RACE INFORMATION  
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