



September 14-19, 2020
Newport, Rhode Island

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the New York Yacht Club Regatta Association, Inc. (NYYC RA). The regatta website can be found at: <https://nyyc.org/2020-resolute-cup>.

GENERAL FORMAT

The 2020 Resolute Cup is an invitational fleet racing regatta to be sailed in one-design RS21s and Sonars. The primary goal is to run a Corinthian keelboat championship amongst preeminent U.S. yacht clubs. The Resolute Cup will also serve as a path for one U.S. yacht club to receive an invitation to the 2021 Rolex NYYC Invitational Cup to be held in IC37s.

1 RULES

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2** The rules for the “Handling of Boats” addendum to the sailing instructions will apply and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules shall not apply.
- 1.3** World Sailing (WS) Sailor Classification Code, Regulation 22 will apply. All competitors shall be Group 1. Information on how to apply can be found at <http://members.sailing.org/classification/>. Any unclassified sailor shall be deemed to be Group 3 and ineligible to sail.
- 1.4** On-the-water umpiring will be used as detailed in Sailing Instruction Modified Addendum Q – Umpired Fleet Racing Rules. Event calls may be issued.
- 1.5** The Protest Committee may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of any non-Part 2 rule. This changes RRS 64.1.
- 1.6** RRS 62.1 is changed by adding new paragraph (e):
(e) catastrophic physical damage not falling within RRS 62.1 (b) that was due to defective supplied equipment and that a reasonably competent crew would not have been able to avoid or promptly repair.
- 1.7** In addition to penalties that may be imposed by the Protest Committee or the Umpires, the Sailing Instructions and charter agreement will contain language that permits the OA to revoke the charter of any Team that, in the opinion of the OA, the Race Committee or the Protest Committee, is handling their yacht in an unsafe or dangerous manner.
- 1.8** USCG-approved PFDs shall be worn at all times while racing except while actively adding or removing clothing. This modifies the preamble to Part 4 and rule 40. Competitors must supply their own PFDs. PFDs shall be worn outside of all clothing except team identification bibs. A breach of this sailing instruction may only be protested by the race committee, protest committee or Umpires. This changes rule 60.1(a).



2 BOATS AND SAILS

- 2.1** All boats shall be chartered from the Organizing Authority. RS21 and Sonar type boats will be used for competition. The charter fee is included in the entry fee.
- 2.2** Boats will be rotated as described in the sailing instructions.
- 2.3** Sails will be provided by the Organizing Authority. Spinnakers will be used except as described in the sailing instructions.
- 2.4** All boats shall be standardized by the Organizing Authority to ensure as level a playing field as possible. Specific permitted and restricted actions will be included in the “Handling of Boats” addendum to the sailing instructions. This includes, but is not limited to, the following provisions:
 - a) Rigs will be tuned equally and preset by the OA before the regatta. Rig tension and mast block positioning shall not be adjusted by the competitors. The OA may adjust the rig tune of the entire fleet to match anticipated conditions.
 - b) Competitors wishing to change any rig tuning adjustments to bring the rig back into compliance with the fleet standard shall request in writing that the OA make a change. Forms will be available at registration. The OA has final authority in deciding whether an adjustment will be made.
 - c) Competitors shall not sand, clean or fair the bottom or foils of their yacht, or so arrange for such work to be done.

3. ADVERTISING

- 3.1** WS Advertising Code, Regulation 20, will apply. Advertising on the supplied equipment is available to the OA in accordance with WS Regulation 20.4.2.
- 3.2** While racing, boats shall display the backstay flag for each day of racing as may be provided by the Organizing Authority at registration.
- 3.3** While racing, teams may be required to wear pinnies provided by the Organizing Authority to indicate team identity.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1** Entry to the regatta is by invitation only from the Organizing Authority to a Yacht Club (“Team”).
- 4.2** Entry: Acceptance of the invitation shall be made by submitting the online entry form and entry payment no later than Friday, March 13.
- 4.3** Crew List: A complete Crew List must be submitted via the online form no later than Friday, July 24. This form will include information for each competitor on Club membership and sailor classification. Registration will not be considered complete until all information has been received, checked and verified. Early submission is encouraged.
- 4.4** Crew lists will be posted on the event website and on the official notice board at the NYYC Sailing Center.
- 4.5** Team Composition: Teams shall consist of three or four crew members, including the skipper, all of whom shall sail the entire regatta. There must be at least one male and one female on the crew.
 - 4.5.1** The crew sailing on the yacht shall comply with the requirements of NOR 4.6, 4.7, 4.8 and 4.9 at all times unless specifically waived by the Protest Committee.
 - 4.5.2** Crew Substitution: Prior to 1800 on Monday, September 14, 2020, 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 written permission of the Protest Committee.
- 4.6** Yacht Club Membership: All crew members shall have been year-round, regular members in good standing full members of the invited Yacht Club as of September 14, 2019, except as noted in NOR 4.6.1. Seasonal or special memberships do not qualify.
 - 4.6.1** One of the crew members *may* be either the spouse of a year-round full member or a member’s child under the age of 25 on the first day of racing.
- 4.7** US Sailing Membership: All crew members shall be current members of US Sailing during the regatta.

4.8 Sailor Classification: All crew members shall have a valid Group 1 sailor classification. Any sailor who is unclassified or whose classification has expired shall be deemed to be Group 3 and ineligible to sail.

4.8.1 The Classification Protest time limit is 1800 Monday, September 14, 2020. At its discretion, this time limit may be extended by the Protest Committee if the Crew List has been changed after the Crew List submission deadline in NOR 4.3.

4.9 Weight Limit: Crew weigh-ins will be conducted at registration. The total crew weight shall be no greater than 725 pounds wearing at least shorts and a shirt.

4.10 Eligibility Exceptions: The Organizing Authority reserves the right to make reasonable exceptions to the eligibility requirements on a case-by-case basis.

5 FEES

5.1 The entry fee is US\$3,500 and shall be paid no later than March 13, 2020. Checks shall be payable to the "New York Yacht Club Regatta Association." Please note "RESOLUTE CUP 2020" on your check.

5.2 The entry fee includes four tickets to all social functions. Additional tickets will be available for purchase.

5.3 Each team shall provide a \$1,500 damage deposit by providing credit card information at registration. The deposit is a per-incident maximum and shall be replenished after each incident. See NOR 17.3.

5.4 Cancellations and Refunds: A team cancelling prior to June 1, 2020, will receive a refund of the entry fee minus a \$1000 administrative charge. There will be no refund for a team cancelling on or after June 1, 2020.

6 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

6.1 Check-in: All teams shall register during the registration times. Boats will be available for practice during the scheduled practice times after a team has completed registration. Registration will take place in the NYYC Sailing Center, Harbour Court; 5 Halidon Avenue; Newport, RI 02840.

6.2	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
	Monday, September 14	1300-1800	Registration & Weigh-in
		1400-1700	Optional Practice
		1800	Classification Protest Time limit
	Tuesday, September 15	0900-1000	Late Registration & Weigh-in
		1000	Competitors Meeting (Mandatory for all competitors)
		1100-1700	Practice
		1800	Competitors Meeting (Mandatory for skippers)
		1830-2000	Opening Reception
	Wednesday, September 16	1030	First Warning Signal
	Thursday, September 17	1030	First Warning Signal
	Friday, September 18	1030	First Warning Signal
	Saturday, September 19	1030	First Warning Signal
		1900-2300	Final Awards Banquet

6.3 No warning for any race will be made after 1600hrs on Saturday, September 19.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on the regatta website and at registration.

8 VENUE

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

9 COURSES

Courses will be defined in the sailing instructions. Possible race courses may include windward-leeward and triangle-windward-leeward variations.

10 FORMAT

The format will be described fully in the sailing instructions. The intention is to conduct a Qualifying Series using the Sonars and RS21s, followed by a Championship Series in the RS21s and a Consolation Series in the Sonars.

11 SCORING

11.1 Multiple races are scheduled.

11.2 If a Qualifying Series is held, race scores from the Qualifying series will not carry over to the Championship Series or Consolation Series.

11.3 One race is required to constitute a regatta.

12 SUPPORT BOATS

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

12.2 Support/Coach boats will not be permitted to dock at the NYYC docks except temporarily. Dockage may be available at the Alofsin Piers at Fort Adams and arrangements shall be made directly with Sail Newport.

13 BERTHING

Dockage or moorings for the racing boats will be provided by the Organizing Authority.

14 PRIZES

14.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top three teams in both the Championship and Consolation fleets. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

14.2 The NYYC RA will use the results of the 2020 Resolute Cup to invite one U.S. team to enter the 2021 Rolex NYYC Invitational Cup. Entry into the Invitational Cup will be contingent on meeting the requirements in the Invitational Cup Notice of Race.

15 CAMERAS & GPS ONBOARD

The Organizing Authority may place static cameras, video cameras and/or GPS tracking units onboard one or more boats during racing and may switch them between races or days.

16 LIABILITY & MEDIA WAIVER, DAMAGE DEPOSIT

16.1 Liability & Media Waivers: All competitors shall complete and submit the online Liability & Media Waiver available on the regatta website prior to completing registration.

16.2 Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, sponsors and affiliated companies 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.

16.3 All teams shall provide a \$1,500 damage deposit by providing credit card information at registration. The deposit is for incidents involving the Sonars, RS21s or Race Committee vessels. The deposit is a per-incident maximum. If a team has more than one incident, it is liable for up to \$1,500 for each individual incident. Teams should be aware that while the designated Technical Committee will attempt to identify and assign all damages to the teams responsible, material damage not covered by insurance, nor acknowledged by a team (e.g., crews are rotated among the boats and no one reports the damage), the cost of repairs may be charged to some or all of the designated teams on a prorated basis.

17 RADIO COMMUNICATION & ELECTRONICS

Teams shall bring a handheld VHF radio. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and any phone or computer applications. No electronics are permitted except a handheld VHF radio and personal mobile telephones.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please visit the regatta website at www.nyyc.org, or contact the New York Yacht Club Sailing Office.

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