



**Water Rat Sailing Club
(WRSC)**

NOTICE of RACE

2023 Heinz Gebauer SPRING WAR Regatta

June 3/4, 2023

**Presented by the Race Organizing Committee of the
WATER RAT SAILING CLUB**

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

1 RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS2021–2024) (RRS).

1.2 The prescriptions of Sail Canada, available at https://www.sailing.ca/uploads/2020/10/Sail-Canada-Prescriptions-to-the-RRS_2021-2024.pdf will apply.

1.3 RSS Appendix T, Arbitration will apply.

1.4 The Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply.

1.5 [NP] All participants shall adhere to the Province of Ontario Covid-19 related Ontario Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (see the most current version at <https://www.ontario.ca/page/emergency-information>).

NOTE: It is the responsibility of participants and volunteers to abide by all Government Covid-19 regulations in force at the time. Due to COVID related restrictions, there may be changes without advance notice.

1.6 [NP] All participants shall be aware of and comply with the Province of Ontario's **Rowan's Law**: See <https://www.ontario.ca/page/rowans-law-concussion-awareness-resources>.

Further, all registrants acknowledge, that, as Person in Charge/Skipper/Owner of the boat registered, that they, and their crew are responsible for adhering to the Concussion Codes of Conduct, and removal from Sport Protocols, as defined by the Province of Ontario's **Rowan's Law**.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1** The Sailing Instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions (SIs), and Supplementary Sailing Instructions (SSIs) that will be posted on the official notice board located in the clubhouse before 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 3, 2023. They will also be available at the registration desk the morning of Saturday, June 3, 2023.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1** The results will be posted online after the regatta on the WRSC website or alternate.
- 3.2** There will be a notice board available onsite at the registration desk.
- 3.3** A Competitors' briefing is scheduled for **1000 hrs** at WRSC on Saturday June 3, 2023.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1** Open to all Sailors including those that are not members of WRSC and to all classes of ILCA sailboats.
- 4.2** Boats will be registered upon payment of all applicable fees to and completed entry information.
- 4.3** The boat (sail) number and helm name shall be declared at the time of registration. Any Change or substitution during the event must be approved by the Organizing Authority.
- 4.4** All helms are required to check in and sign waiver forms prior to racing.
- 4.5** A Parent/Guardian Consent and Supervision Form must be completed and signed by the Parent or Guardian of any competitor under the age of 18.
- 4.6** To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements, and pay all fees.

5 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 5.1** Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

6 FEES

6.1 Entry fee: \$40 per participant

6.2 A Barbecue Dinner (hamburgers, sausages and salads) will be available after racing on Saturday June 3, 2023.

6.3 Please register and make entry fee payment online at waterratssailingclub.wildapricot.org Note: a signed Waiver Form must also be submitted prior to the close of registration on Saturday, June 3, 2023.

7 CREW LIMITATIONS

7.1 Class rules apply.

8 SCHEDULE

8.1 The Registration Desk at WRSC will be staffed on Saturday, June 3, 2023 from 8000hrs to 1000hrs.

8.2 The competitors briefing will be held on Saturday June 3, 2023 at 1000.

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Racing Dates	Warning Signal Time	Maximum number of Races Scheduled
June 3 and 4, 2023	1100 hrs on Sat, 1000 hrs on Sun	12

8.4 No race will be started after **1330 hrs** on Sunday June 4, 2023

8.5 Dinner will be provided on Saturday June 3, 2023. Additional dinner tickets available at \$10 per ticket.

8.6 Post-Race gathering and awards on June 4, 2023.

9 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

9.1 Boats may be subject to inspection or measurement at any time during the regatta.

10 SAFETY EQUIPMENT

10.1 Each boat must carry safety equipment according to Transport Canada requirements.

10.2 RRS 40.1 will apply (PFDs).

11 VENUE

11.1 All Racing will take place in the Outer Harbour as described in the Sailing Instructions.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration will apply.

13 SCORING

13.1 Low point scoring system (RRS Appendix A).

13.2 When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13.3 A minimum of one race will constitute a series.

14 BERTHING

14.1 Launching facilities are located at WRSC.

15 RISK STATEMENT

15.1 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.

15.2 Competitors voluntarily assume the risks associated with communicable diseases including but not limited to COVID 19.

16 INSURANCE

16.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of CDN \$2million per incident or the equivalent.

17 PRIZES

17.1 Prizes will be given to the first three boats.

17.2 Additional prizes may be awarded.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

18.1 For further information please contact Race Rat, Ray Davies at:
ray.davies@sympatico.ca or 905-706-1460.