



**Lilac Festival Olympic & Developmental Classes Regatta
HMCS Haida Cup
Ontario Sailing Grand Prix Developing Series Event
Royal Hamilton Yacht Club, May 23-24, 2015
NOTICE OF RACE**

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Sail Canada will apply and will be posted in full on the official Notice Board.
- 1.3 The class rules of the participating classes will apply. Boats in the 420 class may use any recognized 420 hull form and the standard club training rig (with non-tapered mast) and shall have a minimum weight of 100 kg fully rigged for sailing and in dry condition but without sails and personal equipment.
- 1.4 The preamble to Part 4 and Rule 40 is changed to require adequate personal flotation devices to be worn at all times while afloat, except when changing clothing. This is an early season event and the water will be very cold. Competitors are reminded to bring appropriate clothing and equipment.
- 1.5 Appendix P will apply. Other rules may be changed by the sailing instructions. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising will be permitted in accord with ISAF Regulation 20 (Appendix 1 - Advertising Code).

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Laser, Laser Radial, Finn, 470, 49er, Star, 29er, 420, 420 white sail and Optimist (no Green fleet) classes. Additional classes may be added if a minimum of 5 boats register.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by submitting registration information together with the required fee, to Royal Hamilton Yacht Club (RHYC). A signed waiver form must be received prior to the close of registration. Competitors, under the age of 18, require a parent or guardian signature (the term 'guardian' is extended to include a coach or chaperone travelling with the competitor) to sign the waiver form.
- 3.3 The following restrictions on the number of boats apply. Events for classes for which there are fewer than three entries, by May 23, 2015, may be cancelled and the entry fees returned.
- 3.4 All competitors in age restricted classes will be required to provide valid government-issued proof of age at check-in.
- 3.5 All competitors must be a member of a Sail Canada affiliated Club or School and will be required to show proof, at check-in. Any registrant unable to do so will be charged a \$15 temporary membership fee.

4. CLASSIFICATION

- 4.1 The ISAF Sailor Classification Code will apply.

5. REGISTRATION AND FEES

- 5.1 Boats can register on-line at www.rhyc.ca. Paper registration forms will be available at the Club.
- 5.2 Required fees are \$120 per competitor (includes lunch both days and dinner on Saturday).
- 5.3 If registration is received, with payment, by May 17, 2015 the fee will be \$85.00 per competitor.

6. SCHEDULE



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6.1 Registration:

Friday, May 22 1800 to 2100 hrs
Saturday, May 23 0800 to 0930 hrs

6.2 Dates of racing:

Saturday, May 23 - All classes
Sunday, May 24 - All classes

6.3 Number of races:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Maximum # of Races / day</i>
All classes (except 29er, 49er & Optimist)	8	5
29er, 49er & Optimist	12	8

6.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Saturday is 1100 hrs. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Sunday is 1030 hrs.

6.5 A competitors' meeting will be held on Saturday May 23 at 0945 hrs.

7. MEASUREMENTS

7.1 Each boat may be required to produce a valid measurement certificate.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 The sailing instructions will be available after 1800 on Friday, May 22 at the registration desk.

9. THE VENUE

9.1 Racing will take place on Hamilton Harbour.

10. THE COURSES

10.1 The courses to be sailed will be windward/leeward or windward/leeward/triangle. Description of the courses will appear in the sailing instructions.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 For the 29er & 49er, rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11.2 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under rule 31 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgment form at the protest desk within the protest time limit.

11.3 Appendix P will apply as changed by instructions 11.1 and 11.4.

11.4 Rule P2.3 will not apply and rule P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.

12. SCORING

12.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

12.2 (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

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



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13. SUPPORT BOATS

- 13.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel (including parents of competitors), intending to be on the water during the regatta, shall register with the organizing authority and display the numbered flag provided by the organizing authority. Support boats will be assigned a berth or mooring area for the duration of the regatta. Such berth or mooring is subject to the terms and conditions for all boats using RHYC controlled facilities.
- 13.2 Coaches MUST carry a VHF radio and monitor the assigned radio frequency for the course they are coaching on, between the drop of the black flag on shore and the docking of the committee boat for that course each day. In the event of a safety issue on the course, coaches will be contacted by and will be required to follow the instructions of the RHYC safety officer, the PRO or the CRO.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 14.1 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.

15. PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes will be given to boats placing first, second and third in each class with five or more entries; to those placing first and second in classes with four entries and to the first place in classes with three entries.
- 15.2 The Optimist Class will receive prizes for Red, Blue and White fleets.
- 15.3 The Haida Cup will be presented to the first place boats in the Olympic classes with five or more entries.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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.

17. INSURANCE

- 17.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per incident or the equivalent.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 18.1 Regatta Info: lilacfestival@rhyc.ca Registration Info: registration@rhyc.ca
- 18.2 For Ontario Sailing Event contact: www.ontariosailing.ca
- 18.3 Contact: Royal Hamilton Yacht Club, Foot of MacNab Street North (555 Bay Street North),
Hamilton, Ontario L8L 1H1
Phone: (905) 528-8464 Fax: (905) 528-2622
For accommodation information in the Hamilton area: www.tourismhamilton.com