

# **38th Annual Georgian Bay Sailing Regatta**



*July 31 to August 4, 2024*

*Christian Island – Sans Souci – Regatta Bay – Kilcoursie Bay –  
Parry Sound*

*Organizing Authority: Georgian Bay Sailing Association*

*Registration Opens May 1 and Strictly Closes July 10, 2024*

**Notice of Race**

**2024-06-21 - FINAL**

<b>Notice of Race (NOR)</b>	
	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). [DP] means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.
<b>1.</b>	<b>RULES</b>
1.1.	The event is governed by the rules as defined in <i>The Racing Rules of Sailing</i> .
1.2.	The schedule of events and the event itself remain subject to the requirements imposed by adjacent Counties and the Province of Ontario Public Health, and the Georgian Bay Sailing Association and all competitors are required to comply with any public health guidelines in place at the time of the event.
1.3.	The rules of Performance Handicap Racing Fleet system using PHRF-LO Time-on-Time handicapping will apply.
1.4.	Boats are recommended to conform with the WORLD SAILING OFFSHORE SPECIAL REGULATIONS – Monohull Cat 4 (January 2024). <a href="https://d7qh6ksdplczd.cloudfront.net/sailing/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/19103324/OSR-Monohull-Category-4-Extract-24v2.pdf">https://d7qh6ksdplczd.cloudfront.net/sailing/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/19103324/OSR-Monohull-Category-4-Extract-24v2.pdf</a>
1.5.	[NP] Boats shall have self-bailing cockpits and lifelines.
1.6.	[NP] Boats shall be equipped in accordance with the safety regulations of the country of registration. See the Safe Boating Guide by Transport Canada <a href="https://tc.canada.ca/sites/default/files/migrated/tp_511e.pdf">https://tc.canada.ca/sites/default/files/migrated/tp_511e.pdf</a>
<b>2.</b>	<b>SAILING INSTRUCTIONS</b>
2.1.	The Sailing Instructions will be available and posted by July 1, 2024, at <a href="http://georgianbayregatta.ca">http://georgianbayregatta.ca</a>
2.2.	It is the responsibility of each skipper to check the online official notice board for changes prior to the event. This changes rule 90.2 (c).
2.3.	Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be announced by VHF radio channel 74 at the daily Skippers Meeting prior to racing.
<b>3.</b>	<b>COMMUNICATION</b>
3.1.	The online official notice board (ONB) is located at <a href="http://georgianbayregatta.ca">http://georgianbayregatta.ca</a>
3.2.	All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 16, 68, 71, 74, plus a weather channel.
3.3.	On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio channel 74.
3.4.	From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency or withdrawing from a race, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
<b>4.</b>	<b>ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY</b>
4.1.	The event is open to mono-hull boats with valid PHRF certificates (except for Cruising Division) and meet all other requirements. Multi-hull & planing hull entrants may be accepted at the discretion of the Organizing Committee.

4.2.	Each boat not in the cruising division shall produce a valid PHRF-LO certificate at the time of registration. <i>(Participants not having a certificate should contact their club PHRF-LO handicapper. If unaffiliated with a club, contact Ron Owston by email at ronowston@yahoo.com at least 3 weeks before the start of the regatta for information on how to obtain one. There will be a \$44.25 + HST fee levied by PHRF-LO for processing a certificate.)</i> Cruising Division entrants are not required to have a PHRF-LO certificate and will be assigned a standard rating for their boat class. <i>(Entrants are strongly encouraged to obtain a valid certificate.)</i>
4.3.	A list of crew members and their contact information for the duration of the regatta shall be submitted at time of registration.
4.4.	Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form and paying the required fees by credit card at <a href="http://georgianbayregatta.ca">http://georgianbayregatta.ca</a> before 2359h EDT July 10, 2024 to be considered an entry in the event.
4.5.	No late entries will be accepted.
4.6.	Anticipated divisions depending upon number of entrants will be: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. High PHRF Cruising</li> <li>2. Low PHRF Cruising</li> <li>3. High PHRF White Sails</li> <li>4. Low PHRF White Sails</li> <li>5. High PHRF Flying Sails</li> <li>6. Low PHRF Flying Sails</li> <li>7. One Design dependant on participants.</li> </ol>
4.7.	[NP] [DP] Regatta Check-in: boats are required to check in with the Committee Boat on VHF radio channel 74 upon arrival at Christian Island on July 31, 2024, after 1800, but no later than 0800 on August 1, 2024.
5.	<b>FEES</b>
5.1.	Registration fees Full Regatta 5-Day event: \$375.00 Registration fees Parry Sound weekend 2-Day event: \$160.00
5.2.	All registrants are required to pay an additional \$5 annual membership in the Georgian Bay Sailing Association.
5.3.	Registrants shall pay the required fee by credit card at <a href="http://georgianbayregatta.ca">http://georgianbayregatta.ca</a>
6.	<b>ADVERTISING</b>
6.1	Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.
7.	<b>SCHEDULE</b>
7.1.	Registration: online registration will be available at <a href="http://georgianbayregatta.ca">http://georgianbayregatta.ca</a> from May 1, 2024, to 2359 EDT July 10, 2024.
7.2.	There will be a competitor meeting on VHF radio channel 74 each morning. Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be announced at this time.

<b>7.3.</b>	Dates of racing, course, first warning signal, competitor meeting time:																																													
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<b>7.4</b>	There will be an informal feeder race from Midland to Christian Island on Wednesday, July 31, 2024. Participants must contact Peter Chalkley (peterkeego11@gmail.com) for registration and further details. Course details will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.																																													
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<b>8.3.</b>	[DP] All boats at all times shall have access to up-to-date charts of the areas to be sailed. It is also recommended that boats utilize GPS and Chart plotters. Charts suggested include 2201 (Georgian Bay), 2202 (Port Severn to Parry Sound) 2224 (Parry Sound Harbour) 2225 (Approaches to Parry Sound) 2241 (Port Severn to Christian Island), 2242 (Giants Tomb to Franklin Island)																																													
<b>8.4.</b>	[DP] Boats shall register and use only one sail number, except that, with prior agreement from the RMC, a boat may use one sail with a different sail number. It is the responsibility of the competitor to notify the Race Committee.																																													
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11.2.	PHRF divisions will be scored using PHRF-LO, Point-to-Point (P2P) Time Correction Factor (TCF).
11.3.	The feeder race will be scored separately and will not be used in the series.
11.4.	Boats properly towing a qualified dinghy may apply to have their ASP rating increased by 8% rounded up to the nearest ASP. Boats that receive the credit must declare their intent to tow a dinghy at registration and tow their dinghy for the entire regatta.
11.5.	Boats in the cruising division <u>shall not</u> use a spinnaker or gennaker during any race throughout the Regatta. The Cruising Division is meant for boats wanting a more relaxed experience.
12.	<b>TOWED SUPPORT VESSELS</b>
12.1.	A towed support dinghy, to qualify for the rating adjustment, must be capable of safely transporting a minimum of 3 adults and contain a manufacturer rating plate or approved equivalent. Dinghy qualification is at the discretion of the RMC.
12.2.	A towed support dinghy must float free and cannot be partially hauled aboard, and the bow cannot be lifted or raised by the towing line when the boat is sailing.
12.3.	The length of a towed dinghy tow line must be such that the distance separating the towing boat and the dinghy does not exceed five feet from her transom.
13.	<b>BERTHING</b>
13.1.	Berths will be provided in Parry Sound for the night of Sunday August 4, 2024, and are included in the registration fee for the Full Regatta 5-Day event. Berthing IS NOT included for the Parry Sound Weekend 2-Day event. More details may be provided in the Sailing Instructions.
14.	<b>RISK STATEMENT</b>
14.1.	<b>RRS 3 states: ‘The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.’</b> 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 error, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Skippers are advised that hazardous waters and shoals may exist within the vicinity of the racing area. It is the responsibility of each competitor to navigate safely and avoid these hazards at all times. <b>Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.</b>
15.	<b>INSURANCE</b>
15.1.	Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$2,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.
15.2.	Each <u>boat owner</u> will be required to sign a mooring agreement with Big Sound Marina in Parry Sound when they check-in and provide proof of insurance. If the owner will not be present during check in, arrangements to sign the mooring agreement are to be made in advance directly with Big Sound Marina.

<b>16.</b>	<b>PRIZES</b>
<b>16.1.</b>	Flags will be awarded to boats placing 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each race. Awards will be given to division, fleet, and overall winners.
<b>17.</b>	<b>FURTHER INFORMATION</b>
<b>17.1.</b>	For further information please contact:  Frank Sangiuliano, Co-Chair – <a href="mailto:frank.sangiuliano@rogers.com">frank.sangiuliano@rogers.com</a>  Peter Chalkley, Co-Chair – <a href="mailto:peterkeego11@gmail.com">peterkeego11@gmail.com</a>