



NOTICE OF RACE

J FEST 2017 GREAT LAKES

Check In: Thursday July 20th 4-6 PM/Friday July 21st 4-7 PM

Skippers Meeting – Friday July 21st 7:30 Main Floor Club House

Racing/Dinner - Saturday July 22nd

Racing/Awards/BBQ – Sunday July 23rd

1 RULES

The J Fest Great Lakes Regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). The prescriptions of the Canadian national authority, Sail Canada, will apply. A copy of the prescriptions can be found at

http://www.sailing.ca/files/RRS_2017_2020_Sail_Canada_Prescription_Final_EN.pdf

The class rules for the handicap classes are: For PHRF, PHRF Lake Ontario(PHRF-L0)

2. ELIGIBILITY

- a) The regatta is open to all J/Boats. Expected one-design classes include J/24, J27, J/29, J/30, J/35, J/70, J/80, J/88, J/105, J/109, J/120, J/PHRF Spin (Symmetrical), J/PHRF Spin (Asymmetrical).**
- b) One design classes require a minimum of 5 boats registered by the regular registration deadline. Division splits and class selections may be adjusted at the discretion of the Race Committee. A class may have to start with another compatible class(s).**
- c) All one design classes without the 5 boats registered by the regular registration deadline are invited to participate in the J/PHRF division splits will be at the discretion of the race committee. Racing in this class will require a current PHRF Certificate.**

3. ENTRY PROCEDURES & FEES

- a) Participants must register online at <http://www.sailreg.com>**
- b) Registration opens February 6th, 2017.**
- c) Early registration deadline is June 2nd at 1700 hours**
- d) Regular registration deadline is July 13th at 1700 hours.**
- e) Late registration deadline is July 21st at 1700 hours.**
- f) The Entry Fee is \$120.00 for early registration, \$150.00 for regular registration and \$195.00 for late registration.**
- g) The Entry Fee is payable on www.sailreg.com.**

4. EVENT HEADQUARTERS

Event Headquarters will be the Ashbridge's Bay Yacht Club, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

5. SCHEDULE

- a) A skipper's meeting will be held at ABYC at 1930 Friday, July 21st in main clubhouse.**
- b) First warning will be 1050 Saturday and Sunday, July 22nd and 23rd.**
- c) There will be 4 races scheduled for Saturday and 3 for Sunday.**
- d) BBQ Dinner Saturday night will begin with cocktails at 1700.**
- e) No warning for a new start after 1500 Sunday, July 23rd.**
- f) The Sunday award presentation will begin at approximately 1700.**

6. RACING

- a) The intended format for J/Fest Great Lakes is multiple races each day running windward leeward courses near Ashbridge's Bay Yacht Club.**
- d) Classes with a dedicated fleet may also have rules specific to that class and will be identified in the Sailing Instructions.**

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at the skipper's meeting and will be posted on the regatta website as soon as available.

8. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Race Notice Board of ABYC located in the main hall of the clubhouse and on the regatta website as a courtesy only.

9. SCORING

- a) The Low Point Scoring system shall apply and one dropout allowed if at least 5 races are completed except where class rules apply and those will be duly noted in the sailing instructions.
- b) Awards will be presented to the top three of each class.
- c) PHRF scoring will use time on time (TOT) scoring with awards for top three in each division.
- d) Additional prizes may be awarded to participants by sponsors and may be based on criteria other than the competition at the sole discretion of the organizing authority.

10. WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND MEDIA

- a) Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. The Organizing Authorities and other sponsors 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.
- b) Each competitor participating in the regatta shall submit an online Liability and Media Waiver (a part of the online registration process) prior to racing.
- c) Failure to submit a waiver will result in the entry being incomplete and the boat will not be considered to be participating in the event.
- d. Competitors grant, at no cost, the Ashbridge's Bay Yacht Club the absolute right and permission to use their name, voice, image, likeness, biographical material as well as representations of the boats in any media worldwide (including television, print and internet media), including video footage, for the sole purposes of advertising, promoting, reporting and disseminating information regarding the 2017 J-Fest Great Lakes and the competitor's participation in the event.

11. SPECTATOR BOATS

The organizing committee expects to have spectator boats available to those participating in the regatta but not racing. Details will be provided separately.

12. ADVERTISING

As a courtesy to our valued race sponsors, no advertising may be displayed on Ashbridge's Bay Yacht Club premises without prior written permission of the Regatta Chair.

13. DOCKAGE & RAFTING

There could be a limited number of docks available at Ashbridge's Bay Yacht Club. Rafting will be available, of note, Ashbridge's Bay Yacht Club has ample dry sail launching facilities.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

a) Further information may be found here:

<http://abyc.on.ca/racing/regattas/>

b) ABYC may be contacted at 416-698-4498.

c) The 2017 J/Fest Great Lakes organizing committee may be contacted via

jfest@abyc.on.ca