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 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply. Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, shall apply, with RRS P2.1 to P2.4 deleted and replaced by: "When a boat is penalised under RRS P1.2, her penalty shall be a One-Turn Penalty under RRS 44.2. If she fails to take it she shall be disqualified without a hearing."
1.3 The Class Rules will apply except for any that are altered by the Notice of Race. The Class Race Management Guidelines will also apply, but a failure to follow these Guidelines is not on its own grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
1.4 Any previous or penultimate class legal version of equipment may be used. This includes sail numbers and formats.
1.5 No National Prescriptions will apply.
1.6 This is a World Sailing 100 point ranking event
1.7 Any special rules relating to Covid-19 will be published three weeks before the start of the event. The rules may include the need for testing competitors on arrival, testing on site, daily temperature measurement and the need to wear masks. Please also see NOR 20.1.

2. Advertising
2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.
2.2 For 49er and 49erFX - the bottom two panels of the jib area shall be restricted to Class and Event advertising and all competitors shall place class nominated branding on their jibs according to the World Sailing approved 49er Class jib advertising policy.
For Nacra 17 - the area of the jib, except for the visibility window, shall be restricted to Class and Event advertising and all competitors shall place class nominated branding on their jibs according to the World Sailing approved Nacra 17 Class jib advertising policy

3. Eligibility and Entry
3.1 Competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code (Regulation 19).
3.2 For the 49er gender is open. For the FX gender is open. For the Nacra 17 teams must be of mixed gender.

3.3 All competitors shall be fully paid-up members of the International 49er or Nacra 17 Class Associations.

3.4 Entry and payment should be received by the Organising Authority no later than 18th August 2022 and will only be accepted after this date at the discretion of the OA.

3.5 Competitors can enter and pay by visiting: https://www.manage2sail.com/en-US/Home/EventRegistrationRedirect/00903a6c-0121-48ff-8b4c-59af6dbed3bb

4. FEES
4.1 Entry Fees
For 49er, 49erFX and Nacra 17: standard entry fee is €150.

4.2 Coach boat entry fee: €40, plus €25 per coach or supporter.

4.3 In the event that the championships are cancelled due to Covid-19 rules, 70% of the fee will be refunded.

5. FORMAT OF RACING.
5.1 The Championships will consist of a single Championship Series.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
6.1 Thursday 18 August
0900 Venue opens
0900 - 1600 Registration
Friday 19 August
0900 - 1000 Registration
1000 Competitors Briefing
1200 First Warning Signal
Saturday 20 August
0900 Competitors Briefing
1100 Championship Series Races
Sunday 21 August
0900 Competitors Briefing
1100 Championship Series Races
1600 Last Warning Possible
Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony As soon as possible after Racing

7. MEASUREMENT
7.1 Any boat may be inspected for class rules compliance prior to or during racing.
7.2 Equipment shall only be replaced with permission of the OA.
7.3 For the 49er Event, 49er Class rule C.10.2 (b) is suspended, and any 49er mainsail may be used without limitation.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
The Sailing Instructions will be available on the website prior to registration.

9. VENUE
The 2022 49er, 49erFX and Nacra 17 North American Championships will be held at the Hubbards Community Waterfront, located at 20 Yacht Club Road, Hubbards, Nova Scotia, B0J 1T0, Canada.

The sailing area is St. Margaret’s Bay.
Boats shall be kept in the designated areas of the Hubbards Community Waterfront and adjacent grounds. Check with the Registration Office to confirm space.

Trailers and other equipment may be permitted at the Hubbards Community Waterfront for the period 8/18-8/21 in association with this event, only if space allows. To arrange trailer storage outside of the event period, contact Ben Mosher, Event Coordinator, at ben@sailthebay2022.ca

10. **THE COURSES**
Courses will be,
For 49er and 49erFX - windward/leeward with a gate at the leeward end of the course. For Nacra 17 - windward/leeward with a spreader mark at the windward end and a gate at the leeward end of the course.

11. **PENALTY SYSTEM**
RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by a One-Turn penalty.

12. **SCORING**
12.1 The Low Points Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply to the Series.
12.2 At least 1 race is required to be completed to constitute the Championship.

13. **SAFETY**
In the event of an emergency the meeting point for safety personnel and the dropping off point for safety boats coming from the racing area will be at the main launch ramp. This meeting point will be where an ambulance will be arriving if required. The location of the Emergency Meeting Point will be designated in the SIs.

14. **SUPPORT VESSELS**
14.1 Support vessels shall be registered with the Organising Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and the Class Support Vessel Regulations which can be viewed on the Class website. Team leaders/coaches shall register at https://www.manage2sail.com/en-US/Home/EventRegistrationRedirect/00903a6c-0121-48ff-8b4c-59af6dbed3bb and complete on-site registration at the Administration Office at the venue.
14.2 All support vessels shall clearly display the 3-letter national code of their WS Member National Authority at all times while afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200mm.
14.3 If called upon support vessels will be required to act as rescue boats.

15. **PRIZES**
Prizes for the Championships will be announced and awarded at the end of Racing for the first three places overall.
The winners will receive perpetual trophies:
- 49er – 49er North American Championship Trophy in Memory of Trevor Moore
- 49erFX – The Frank Bethwaite Cup
- Nacra 17 – TBD

16. **RADIO COMMUNICATION**
Except in an emergency a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls while racing.

17. **INSURANCE**
Each participating boat shall have valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of at least CAD $1,000,000 (or equivalent) per incident.

18. **RISK STATEMENT**
RRS 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”
Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the event and to attend any competitor briefing held for this event.

19. **MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT**
19.1 Where consent for imagery has been given by a competitor participating in the Championship, competitors grant to the Organising Authority, the International 49er and the Nacra 17 Class Associations and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of competition without compensation.
19.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority.
19.3 Competitors may be required for interviews and press conferences at the Championship.

20. **COVID PANDEMIC**
20.1 The OA reserves the right to make any such modifications to this notice as it, in its sole discretion, deems necessary to preserve the health of competitors, support personnel, spectators, race officials, and other volunteers at the event, and to comply with current state and local guidelines governing response to the COVID pandemic.

21. **FURTHER INFORMATION**
For more information, please contact Ben Mosher, Event Coordinator, at ben@sailthebay2022.ca