



2019 Classic Yachts Challenge Series Notice of Series

1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

- 1.1 The organizing authority (OA) for the 2019 Classic Yachts Challenge Series (CYCS) is the Classic Yacht Owners Association (CYOA) in cooperation with the Organizing Authorities of the participating Series Events.

2 SERIES EVENTS

- 2.1 The Series is comprised of the following events:

- Corinthian Classic Yacht Regatta (Corinthian YC)
- Nantucket Regatta (Nantucket Community Sailing)
- Opera House Cup (Nantucket Community Sailing)
- Herreshoff Classic Yacht Regatta (Herreshoff Marine Museum)
- Newport Classic Yacht Regatta (IYRS)

- 2.2 A boat must race in a minimum of three events to qualify for the Series.

3 RULES

- 3.1 The Series will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) unless changed in this Notice of Series and the rules regarding rigging, equipment and sails contained in this Notice of Series.

3.2 Rigging and equipment

- 3.2.1 A stay is defined as a permanently-secured and taut cable that supports a headsail. A removable stay shall be considered permanent if it is secured and kept in a taut condition for the duration of an event. This definition includes luff-ropes that allow a sail to be rolled on the rope.

- 3.2.2 Forestays and headsail tacks, except those of spinnaker staysails when the boat is not close-hauled, shall be attached approximately on a boat's centerline, in accordance with RRS 54.
- 3.2.3 The length of a spinnaker pole when used to pole out a spinnaker must be no longer than the SPL declared on the CRF Certificate. When in use, a spinnaker pole or whisker pole must be attached to the foremost mast in accordance with RRS 50.2.
- 3.2.4 Shifting ballast of any kind during a race, other than shifting crew weight, is not permitted. All ballast must be fixed in place against shifting. Other temporary means of augmenting stability are prohibited, including the use of trapezes. All crew must keep their torsos within the perimeter of the boat except as allowed by RRS 49.

3.3 Sails

- 3.3.1 Boats in the Vintage and Classic Divisions shall race with sails of paneled construction where the panels are made of woven fabric that utilize fibers limited to polyester (e.g. Dacron), Nylon, Vectran, or Ultra-PE (e.g. Spectra, Dyneema, UHMWPE, etc.).
- 3.3.2 Boats in a Spirit of Tradition and Modern Classic Divisions may race with upwind sails built with any fiber via any sailmaking technique.

4 ADVERTISING

- 4.1 Boats may be required to display advertising supplied by CYOA and/or the Organizing Authorities of the participating regattas.

5 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 5.1 The Series is open to any boat with a 2019 CRF MkII rating that satisfies the requirements contained in this Notice of Series **and is owned or chartered by a Regular Member of the Classic Yacht Owners Association.**
- 5.2 If there is any question about whether a boat fits these criteria, the CYOA Technical Committee will make the final determination as to whether she qualifies for the Series.

5.3 Individual events may allow boats to race in their events that do not qualify for the Series. The requirements in this document do not, and are not intended to, supersede individual regatta eligibility and awards qualifications provided by the regatta OA. Participation in the Series is voluntary and is not required for participation in the individual regattas.

5.4 Boats intending to compete in the series must declare their intention to do so by registering online at www.classicyachts.org/series. Only boats which have registered will be scored for the series.

6 DIVISIONS

6.1 Boats shall be assigned to divisions based on their original design date when they have been equipped and built with methods and materials consistent with that original design, or that are appropriate for their division. Variations from original equipment, materials and methods may be accepted at the discretion of the OA.

6.2 Boats shall be grouped into divisions based on the following guidelines:

6.2.1 Vintage: Boats designed before January 1, 1950 and built, maintained, and restored with materials and methods reasonably consistent with the original design.

6.2.2 Classic: Boats designed on or after January 1, 1950 whose rudders are attached to the trailing edge of the keel with at least one pivot point on the sternpost, and that are rated by CRF MkII with Keel Type 5 or Type 6.

6.2.3 Modern Classic: Boats designed on or after January 1, 1950 and typically before January 1, 1975, whose rudders are separated from the trailing edge of the keel and that are rated by CRF MkII as Keel Type 3 or Type 4.

6.2.4 Spirit of Tradition: Boats typically designed on or after January 1, 1975 whose rudders are separated from the trailing edge of the keel and that are rated by CRF MkII as Keel Type 1,2,3,or 4, and whose design embodies an appreciation of classic yacht or traditional workboat shapes and aesthetics. There are no restrictions on rigging, equipment, or construction materials and methods for Spirit of Tradition (SoT) boats.

6.3 The resolution of uncertainties or disputes regarding division assignments

shall be at the sole discretion of the CYOA Technical Committee.

- 6.4 Any boat that does not fit within any of the above divisions shall not be eligible for the Series.

7 SERIES SCORING

- 7.1 The High-Point Percentage Scoring System will be used to score the Series based on the scores provided to CYOA by the OAs of the series events.
- 7.2 To qualify to be scored for the series, a boat must race in at least three of the five events. Her series score will include her best five race scores based on the High Point Percentage Scoring System, discarding all others. If a boat sails in three events but five races are not completed, her series score will be based on the number of races completed.
- 7.3 For the purposes of the Series only, a boat's score for each race shall be determined as follows:

Define 'N' to be the number of boats that compete in a particular race. Each boat finishing that race and not thereafter retiring or being disqualified will be scored as follows:

<u>Finishing Place</u>	<u>Score</u>
First	N
Second	N-1
Third	N-2
Fourth	N-3
Etc...	

All other boats that compete in that race, including any that finish and thereafter retire or are disqualified, will score 0 points. Boats that do not compete in that race (DNC) will not be scored.

- 7.4 The series score for each boat will be a percentage calculated as follows: divide the sum of her best race scores that satisfy the minimum number of races to qualify for the series by the sum of the points she would have scored if she had placed first in every race in which she competed; multiply the result by 100.
- 7.5 The qualified boat in each division with the highest series score is the winner, and others are ranked accordingly.

8 TIES AND OTHER RULES

8.1 For the purposes of scoring the Series, race ties and Series ties will be handled in accordance with Appendix A. Rule 90.3 also applies.

9 SERIES AWARDS

9.1 Overall Series awards will be presented at a separate prizegiving event the date, location and time of which will be announced.

9.2 Awards will be presented to the overall winner in each division combining spinnaker and non-spinnaker. Separate awards for spinnaker and non-spinnaker classes within a division may be given out if at least four boats qualify in each class.

9.3 An overall award will be presented to the best performing boat based on her average Corrected Speed across all of the races she counted toward her Series score.

9.4 Other awards to be determined by the Series OA may be presented.

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