

# Johnson Lexus Cup Regatta

Sept 1, 2024

## Sailing Instructions

**Organizing Authority.** NYRA (Neuse Yacht Racing Association)

### 1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the prescriptions of US Sailing, except as altered by these sailing instructions.
- 1.2 RRS is changed as described in SI 10 “The Start” below.

### 2 Notices to Competitors

- 2.1 Notices to Competitors will be displayed on the Official Notice Board located in the entrance passage to the Oriental Marina.

### 3 Changes to the Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions prior to going on the water will be posted on the Official notice Board by 9:00am on the day it will take effect.
- 3.2 While on the water, the Race Committee may make verbal changes to the Sailing Instructions. To do so they shall display Flag L and advise via VHF radio channel 78A.

### 4 Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Signal Boat.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, 1 minute is replaced by not less than 30 minutes, in race signals.

### 5 Schedule

- 5.1 09:00 Competitors Meeting on the deck at the Oriental Harbour Marina and Inn.
- 5.2 10:55 First Signal for Racing;The Regatta will consist of a single race with a pursuit start
- 5.3 16:30 Shore party at the New Bern Riverfront Convention Center begins

### 6 Class Flags and Streamers

- 6.1 The class flag for the first start will be red.
- 6.2 Class streamers, which will be in the skipper’s bag, shall be displayed on the backstay of each boat to assist the Race Committee in identifying classes of boats finishing.

### 7 Racing Area

The race will take place on the Neuse River between Oriental and New Bern

### 8 The Course

- 8.1 The course will be as follows:

From the start in the vicinity of Oriental #1, pass #1 AC ( Adam’s Creek) to starboard, pass Neuse River #8 to starboard, pass Neuse River #17 to starboard, and finish between the Committee boat and Neuse River #17. The approximate course length will be 16.8 nm.

- 8.2 In the event of significant postponement the start location may be moved to effect a shortened course of approximately 10 nautical miles.

9. **Marks**

- 9.1 The starting line will be between a staff flying an orange flag on the Signal Boat at the starboard end and the course side of a 3' inflatable tetrahedron on the port end.
- 9.2 The finishing line will be between Neuse River #17 and a staff flying a blue flag on the Signal Boat.

10. **The Start**

- 10.1 RRS 26 will be used for the first start only.
- 10.2 Subsequent starts will be in a Pursuit format at times announced at the Competitor's Meeting with each boat given a start time. The Race Committee will notify each boat or group of boats of their pending start via radio communication on VHF Channel 72A. This changes rule 26.
- 10.3 In the event of a shortened course new start times will be provided for the course to be sailed.

11 **Protests and Requests for Redress**

- 11.1 Protest forms will be available from the Signal Boat. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered in writing to the PRO on the Committee Boat within 30 minutes after the Committee boat docks.
- 11.2 Docking location shall be announced at the Competitors' Meeting.

12 **Scoring.**

- 12.1 The scoring system will use PHRF ratings using Time on Distance handicapping. Each boat will be given a start time at the Competitors' Meeting. The order of finishing shall be the order of placement, subject to the resolution of any protests.

13 **Safety Regulations**

- 13.1 All boats shall check in by radio on channel 72A at least 15 minutes before their scheduled start time.
- 13.2 Any boat that retires shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

14 **Radio Communication**

- 14.1 The Race Committee will monitor and make announcements to competitors on channel 72A.
- 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 cell phones.

15 **Prizes**

Prizes will be awarded at the sole discretion of the Organizing Authority, based upon numbers of participants registered two weeks prior to the event.

16 **Disclaimer of Liability**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 3 Decision to Race. Neither the Organizing Authority nor and of the sponsors will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.