

Notice of Race
Toronto East End Challenge

August 8, 2026

Organizing Authority: Toronto Hydroplane and Sailing Club

1 Rules

1.1 This event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 Sail Canada prescriptions will apply.

1.3 RRS Appendix T will apply.

1.4 PHRF-LO rules will apply.

2 Communications

2.1 The Official Notice Boards will be on the Race Notice Board at THSC (in the THSC clubhouse in the breezeway) and on the THSC web site at THSC.CA/TORONTO-EAST-END-CHALLENGE.

2.2 All boats entering THSC races must have VHF capable of receiving channels 16, 68 and 73.

2.3 On the water, the Race Committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF channel 73.

3 Sailing Instructions

3.1 The sailing instructions will be available on the Official Notice Boards no later than August 4.

4 Eligibility and Entry

4.1 The event is open to all boats that are members of Sail Canada in compliance with the prescription to RRS 46.

4.2 All boats intending to race should hold a valid PHRF certificate.

4.3 A boat which does not hold a valid PHRF certificate will be allowed to race and will be assigned a temporary rating by the THSC club

handicapper. This rating will be based upon PHRF-LO Standard Boat Data with an automatic 15 point rating penalty.

4.4 All boats must register in order to race. Registration will be open until August 6 at 2100 online at THSC.CA under Events.

4.5 All boats entering must accept a liability waiver and proof of insurance statement as part of registration.

5 Fees

5.1 There is a \$20 fee (including HST) to be paid upon registration.

6 Equipment

6.1 Boats must have their anchors stowed so as not to be a safety hazard to other boats racing.

6.2 All boats must fully satisfy Transport Canada regulations for boats of their size, as published in the current Safe Boating Guide, and satisfy Provincial and City of Toronto regulations.

7 The Course

7.1 The event will consist of a single medium distance race of approximately 10 - 20 nautical miles, starting and ending in the waters south of Ashbridge's Bay.

7.2 Different divisions will likely sail different courses depending on wind conditions. Full details will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

8 Scoring

8.1 All divisions will be scored using the PHRF-LO Time on Time methodology.

9 Division splits, class flags, and order of start

9.1 Division splits will be posted on the Official Notice Boards no later than August 7 at 15:00 hrs. It is intended that there will be at least two divisions of PHRF Jib and Main and one or more PHRF flying sails divisions.

9.2 There may be additional class fleets depending upon registration. No class fleet will be formed with less than 3 entries for that fleet. If numbers are not sufficient to form a specific fleet then those boats will be absorbed into the respective Jib and Main or Flying Sails division.

10 Schedule

10.1 The East End Challenge will take place on August 8, 2026.

10.2 There will be an optional skippers meeting at 10:00 am on the THSC patio on the day of the race. The deadline for changes to the sailing instructions will have passed.

10.3 The first Warning Signal is scheduled for 11:15 am

11 Risk Statement

11.1 See *RRS 3*: The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue *racing* is hers alone.

11.2 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 errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

12 Prizes

12.1 Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd for each division.

12.2 First overall in Flying Sails and First Overall in No-Flying-Sails, based upon PHRF Time on Time, will be awarded the East End Challenge trophies.

12.3 This race will count towards the year end trophies for THSC boats only.