



Mobility Cup 2011

**Royal Hamilton Yacht Club
Foot of MacNab Street North
Hamilton, Ontario
August 29 – September 2, 2011**

Notice of Race

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Revisions marked in RED**

1 Organizing Authority

2 The organizing authority is composed of representatives from The Able Sail Network, The Royal Hamilton Yacht Club, Burlington Sailing and Boating Club, supported by the Disabled Sailing Association of Ontario

2.1 DSAO and RHYC with BS&BC are holding the 2.4 mR North American Championships in conjunction with the Mobility Cup. The 2.4 mR regatta is governed by a separate Notice of Race.

3 Rules

3.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*. The prescriptions of the Canadian Yachting Association will apply.

3.2 The Martin 16 Class Rules and the Access Liberty class rules will apply.

3.3 The duties of the sailing companion will be changed for participants in the Martin 16 Silver Fleet. The change will be described in the Sailing Instructions. This will change Martin 16 Class Rule 6.2.2.

3.4 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

4 **Venue**

- 4.1 Racing will be held on Burlington Bay in the vicinity of RHYC. See Appendix A.

5 **Eligibility**

- 5.1 The Mobility Cup is a regatta for sailors with a disability. Sailors with a disability, of all ages and skill levels are encouraged to participate. Examples of disabilities include quadriplegia, paraplegia, hemiplegia, multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy etc.
- 5.2 Sailors must indicate the nature of their disability on the entry form. In case of dispute the Organizing Authority will be the sole arbiter of eligibility.
- 5.3 The regatta will be sailed in boats of the Martin 16 and Access Liberty classes.

6 **Entries**

6.1 Competitors

- 6.1.1 Competitors may enter the Mobility Cup by completing the on-line entry form at www.mobilitycup2011.ca and mailing a cheque for the entry fee to **The Royal Hamilton Yacht Club, foot of MacNab Street North, Hamilton ON, L8L 1H1** by August 5, 2011. Cheques should be made payable to **Mobility Cup 2011**.
- 6.1.2 Late entries may be accepted provided the maximum number of entries has not been reached. Maximum for Martin 16 is 35. For Access Liberty is 25.
- 6.1.3 Competitors shall indicate on the entry form whether they wish to race in the Martin 16 Gold fleet, the Martin 16 Silver fleet, or the Access Liberty fleet.
- 6.1.4 A waiting list of competitors will be established based on date and time of receipt of entries once the maximum number of entries has been received.
- 6.1.5 The Organizing Authority may give priority to sailors who have sailed three or fewer Mobility Cups in the previous four years.
- 6.1.6 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to assign a sailor registered for the Martin 16 Gold Fleet to the Silver Fleet or vice versa based on their performance at previous Mobility Cup regattas, as well as to determine whether a companion is required or not.

6.2 Racing boats

- 6.2.1 All boats which will be raced in the regatta must be registered by their owners. There will be no fee for registering boats.
- 6.2.2 Private owners of Martin 16s are encouraged to make their boats available for loan to a competitor in the fleet in which the owner is not racing.
- 6.2.3 A Club or Disabled Sailing Association may designate one sailor in the Martin 16 Gold Fleet and one sailor in the Silver Fleet to sail the first Martin 16 they register. Clubs and DSA's may designate one sailor in either Gold or Silver Fleet to sail each additional boat they register, and will make the boat available for loan to sailors in the other fleet.
- 6.2.4 The owner of each boat which will race in the regatta, or their authorized representative, must sign the Mobility Cup 2011 Agreement on Boat Owners' Liability for Damage.

- 6.3 Coach and support boats must register. There will be no fee.

- 6.4 Sailing Companions and other volunteers are required to register. There will be no fee.

6.5 On-site registration desk information.

- 6.5.1 All competitors; owners of racing boats, coach and support boats; and volunteers must confirm their registration at the on-site registration desk during the hours shown on the schedule. The on-site registration desk is located at RHYC.

7 **Fees**

- 7.1 Entry fees are \$195 CDN for each competitor. This includes the regatta package, continental breakfasts, lunches and dinners from August 29 – September 2. September 1st will be an open evening.
- 7.2 A damage deposit of \$200 CDN is required from each competitor. If a competitor is involved in a collision causing damage, regardless of fault, all or part of their damage deposit may be forfeited and they may be required to post a further deposit in order to continue in the regatta. Forfeiture of damage deposits will be determined in accordance with the Mobility Cup 2011 Policy on Sailors'

Liability for Damage.

- 7.3 Damage deposits will be returned to sailors who sail free of collisions causing damage.
- 7.4 Entries which are accepted by the Organizing Authority after August 5, 2011 will incur an additional late entry fee of \$25 CDN.
- 7.5 Competitors withdrawing before August 14, 2011 will be refunded their entry fees, less a \$50 CDN administrative fee. Competitors withdrawing after August 14, 2011 but before the close of on-site registration may be refunded 50 % of their registration at the discretion of the Organizing Authority. Competitors withdrawing after on-site registration closes on Monday August 29, 2011 will not receive any refund of entry fees.

8 Sailing Companions

- 8.1 Companions will be provided for Martin 16 Gold Fleet sailors who require physical assistance to sail. Companions for Martin 16 Silver Fleet sailors will be provided by the Organizing Authority and will be rotated on a daily basis.
- 8.2 If a sailor feels that he has special needs which require that he sail with a specific companion he must justify this at the time of registration. The assignment of sailing companion will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

9 Loaner boats

- 9.1 Competitors requiring a loaner boat must indicate this on their entry form.
- 9.2 The Organizing Authority will refer competitors' requests for loaner boats to club and private owners who have registered their boats for the regatta. The Organizing Authority's actions in this regard will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 9.3 Sailors of loaner boats are expected to work closely with the boat owner in the care and maintenance of their boats.
- 9.4 If a loaner boat cannot be arranged for a competitor their entry fee will be refunded.

10 Schedule (subject to change)

Sunday, August 28	13:00 – 16:00	Registration
Monday, August 29	09:00 – 12:00	Registration
	10:00	Skippers meeting
	10:30	Racing seminar
	13:30	Dock start practice race
	14:30	Practice race first warning signal
	16:00	Crew and Coaches meeting
	17:00	Happy Hour
	18.30	Dinner
Tuesday, August 30	9:30	Dock start – Martin 16 Gold Fleet
	10:30	Gold Fleet first warning signal
	13:00	Dock start – Martin 16 Silver Fleet
	14:00	Silver Fleet first warning signal
	17:00	Happy Hour
	18:30	Barbecue
Wednesday, August 31	9:30	Dock start – Silver Fleet
	10:30	Silver Fleet Warning signal
	13:00	Dock start – Gold Fleet
	14:00	Gold Fleet first warning signal
	17:00	Happy Hour
	1830	Dinner

Thursday, September 01	9:30	Dock start – Gold Fleet
	10:30	Gold Fleet first warning signal
	13:00	Dock start – Silver Fleet
	14:00	Silver Fleet first warning signal
	17:00	Happy Hour
	Evening	Free time – nothing scheduled
Friday, September 02	9:00	Dock start – Silver Fleet
	10:00	Silver Fleet first warning signal
	12:30	Dock start – Gold Fleet
	13:30	Gold Fleet first warning signal
	19:00	Prize Giving Ceremony

10.1 No warning signal will be made after 1545 on Friday, September 02

10.2 Up to three races may be sailed each day for the Martin 16 Gold or Silver Fleets and Access Liberty fleets, taking into account the conditions, competitor time on the water, and schedule constraints.

11 Measurement

11.1 Boats and equipment will not be measured prior to racing.

12 Sailing Instructions

12.1 Sailing instructions will be included in the sailor registration package at the on-site registration desk during the hours shown in the schedule.

13 Assistive Devices

13.1 Competitors may use any assistive device permitted by the Martin 16 class rules.

13.2 A limited number of Martin 16 Autohelm/windlass systems may be available through the Organizing Authority.

13.3 Competitors must request an Autohelm/Windlass on their entry form.

13.4 Failure of the organizing committee to supply an Autohelm/Windlass will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a)

14 Penalty System

14.1 Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

15 Scoring

15.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

15.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

15.3 When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16 Haul out Restrictions

16.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with the prior written permission of the race committee.

17 Prizes

17.1 The following prizes will be awarded to competitors in the Martin 16 fleet:

17.1.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top five finishers in the Gold and Silver fleets.

17.1.2 The Mobility Cup will be presented to the winner of the Gold fleet.

17.1.3 The Coupe Dallaire will be presented to the winner of the Silver fleet.

17.1.4 The Sam Sullivan Trophy will be presented to the highest finishing competitor using sip & puff technology.

17.1.5 The Darin Tucker Sportsmanship Award will be presented to a sailor, selected by the

Organizing Authority, displaying fair play and grace, respect for the sport and respect for fellow sailors.

17.2 Prizes for competitors in the Access Liberty fleet have not yet been determined.

18 Disclaimer of Liability

18.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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.

19 Insurance

19.1 All participating boats must carry third party liability insurance to the value of at least \$1,000,000 CDN. Proof of insurance must be provided to the Organizing Authority prior to the practice race.

20 Safety

20.1 Competitors shall wear life jackets or other adequate personal buoyancy devices at all times while on the dock and afloat. This changes the Part 4 Preamble and RRS 40. A whistle must be attached to every competitor's life jacket. In addition, every boat shall have a 5m x 7mm painter line attached to the bow eye with the free end of the line within easy reach of the skipper.

20.2 All coach boats and support boats must carry a VHF radio.

20.3 In an emergency all coach boats and support boats will be required to assist with safety operations under the direction of the course race officer.

21 Medical

21.1 Medical service will be provided on site.

22 Accommodations

22.1 Information will be provided on the www.mobilitycup2011.ca website.

23 Transportation

23.1 Transportation will be provided between the main event hotels and the Royal Hamilton Yacht Club. Competitors are responsible for their own transportation between the airport and their hotel however information re: adapted taxi service will be available on the website.

24 Additional Information

For information about **Mobility Cup 2011** or clarification you can contact us by email.

Email the Mobility Cup 2011 team

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Or call the regatta office at 905 528-8464, extension 227

On line registration: www.mobilitycup2011.ca

Appendix A



