

2009 LHYA / LHOOD Championship Regatta

Hosted by the Port Huron Yacht Club

August 15th – 16th, 2009



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The series races will be governed by the ‘rules’ as defined in *2009-2012 The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the United States national authority (*US SAILING*) will apply.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at PHYC after approval of the Race Chairman.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the PHYC flagstaff.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘90 minutes’ in race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Final Entry & Skipper Packet Pick Up 1800-2100 on August 14th, 2009 at PHYC.
- 5.2 Skipper’s meeting 0800 at PHYC on Saturday August 15th, 2009.
- 5.3 Races to be held on August 15th and August 16th.
- 5.4 The first warning signal on Saturday is scheduled at 1100, on Sunday at 1100.
- 5.5 Dinner and Entertainment on Saturday August 15th after racing.
- 5.6 Awards presented on Sunday August 16th, following the racing.

6 CLASS SPLITS AND STARTING ORDER

- 6.1 Final splits and starting order will be posted on the official notice board and PHYC website (www.phyc.org) by 2200 on August 14th, 2009.

7 MARKS

- 7.1 Starting Mark, Finishing Mark, and original Marks #1 and #2 shall be orange inflated pyramids.
- 7.2 The Starting Mark, Finishing Mark and Mark #2 will be the same mark.
- 7.3 Yellow inflatable pyramids may be used for change of course.
- 7.4 A green inflatable pyramid may be used as a limit mark for the Race Committee signal boat.
- 7.5 Marks that are damaged but still visible are still to be considered proper marks.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The W/L Course starting area will be located at approximately N43.04.000 W082.26.000.
- 8.2 The designated course length to the windward mark will be approximately 0.75 to 1.25 miles, but will vary dependent upon wind strength.
- 8.3 All marks shall be rounded to Port.
- 8.4 Yachts will complete the course as described below;

Course
Start-1-2-1-Finish

9 THE START

- 9.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26, prior to the warning signal RC will display the (nm) distance of the first leg and the approximate magnetic compass bearing to the Windward mark (Mark 1) on signal boards. A description of the class flags used for the purpose of starting the race will be posted on the official notice board.
- 9.2 The starting line shall be between a staff displaying the orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat at the starboard end, and an inflatable mark at the port end.
- 9.3 The additional races for the day will start no sooner than 5 minutes after the last boat finishes the previous race, or 5 minutes after time expires, whichever is sooner.
- 9.4 When a general recall for a class has been signalled, the start for the recalled class will be moved to the bottom of the starting order. This will retain the starting order for the other classes. (Changes RRS 29.2)

10 THE FINISH

- 10.1 The finish line will be between the staff displaying the orange flag on the RC signal boat to port and a nearby inflatable mark to starboard (as seen from the course side of the finish line).
- 10.2 After finishing, boats shall not obscure the Race Committee's vision of the finish line and stay clear of boats still racing. Boats should not re-cross the finish line with sails up after finishing.

11 TIME LIMIT

- 11.1 Time limit is 2 hours from the start of the class.
- 11.2 If one boat finishes within the time limit, the time limit for that class extends by 30 minutes. (Changes RRS 35.)

12 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 12.1 Protest forms are available at the PHYC Clubhouse. Protests shall be delivered to the Race Chairman within the protest time limit.
- 12.2 Protest time limit is 90 minutes from the RC docking time (as posted on the official notice board).
- 12.3 Protest hearings will be held as soon as a committee can be convened.

13 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 13.1 Each yacht racing, depending on country of registration, shall comply with US or Canadian Coast Guard requirements.
- 13.2 Yachts retiring from a race must identify themselves to the Race Committee as soon as possible using VHF 69, failing that, immediately after arriving ashore.

14 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 14.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

15 SCORING

- 15.1 The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 15.2 Yachts that do not finish within the time limit will be scored one more than the number of boats that finish within the time limit.
- 15.3 There are no throw outs. (This changes Appendix A.)

16 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 16.1 The Race Committee will attempt to monitor and use VHF 69 to hail sail numbers of infringing (OCS) yachts. Failure to do so will not be grounds for redress.

17 PRIZES

- 17.1 Flags will be awarded to the top three overall finishers in each class on Sunday.
- 17.2 The ROWDY PERPETUAL trophy for 1st overall PHRF, the BARBARIAN PERPETUAL trophy for the 1st overall MORC and the MOLSON PERPETUAL trophy for 1st overall will be awarded at the 2007 LHYA Annual Meeting.