



# 2021 Championship Series

## May 29<sup>th</sup> – September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**Wayzata Yacht Club (WYC) - Apostle Islands Station (AIS)**  
**Bayfield Wisconsin, USA**

### NOTICE OF RACE

The organizing Authority of the 2021 Championship Series is the Apostle Islands Station /Wayzata Yacht Club, Inc. (AIS/WYC).

The notation [NP] in a rule in the Notice of Races means that breaches in this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1 (a).

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2. [DP] Each boat shall comply with all U.S. Coast Guard and other applicable governmental laws, rules and regulations.
- 1.3. The Racing Rules will be changed as follows:
  - 1.3.1. Any use of a waypoint, defined by latitude and longitude coordinates, that the course requires a boat to leave on a specified side shall be in accordance with World Sailing (WS) Appendix WP. This appendix changes RRS 18 and RRS 28 and adds a definition of a waypoint. WS Appendix WP can be found at the relevant Yachtscoring.com event page.
  - 1.3.2. [DP] RRS Appendix G will be enforced per RRS 77.
- 1.4. Bayfield Race Week and Around the Islands Race will be conducted under their own, separate NOR and SI. These two events are included in this NOR for the sole purpose of respective series and overall season scoring.

#### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available after 1200 on May 15, 2021 at the relevant Yachtscoring.com event page.
- 2.2. Competitors are expected to obtain all relevant race documents on their own.

#### 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The online official notice board is located at the relevant Yachtscoring.com event page
- 3.2. All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 16, 22A, 68, and 72.
- 3.3. On the water, the Race Committee (RC) may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF..
  - 3.3.1. The RC may report all visual signals displayed by the RC and report OCS boats after the start on the VHF channel. The failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed shall not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
  - 3.3.2. The VHF channel will be stated in the SI.
- 3.4. [DP] While racing from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency or when notifying the RC of a retirement or withdrawal, a boat shall not make



voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication, that are not available to all boats.

#### 4. **[NP] [DP] ENTRIES / ELIGIBILITY**

- 4.1. The event is open to keelboats and sport boats between 20-70 feet LOA, and multi-hull boats 24-60 feet LOA between hull perpendiculars.
- 4.2. All boats are required to have a valid 2021 Lake Michigan PHRF (LMPHRF) certificate.
  - 4.2.1. The LMPHRF applies to all boats racing in all classes.
  - 4.2.2. For any boat that does not submit a valid 2021 LMPHRF rating certificate with registration, a PHRF rating for this boat will be assigned by the Organizing Authority (OA). The assigned handicap rating shall not be subject to redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b).
- 4.3. Boats are also required to meet the following requirements:
  - 4.3.1. All monohull boats shall be seaworthy and self-righting sailboats.
  - 4.3.2. For monohull boats 24 feet or less, lifelines (or lack thereof) per the manufacturer's specifications or Class Rules are permitted.
  - 4.3.3. All multihull boats shall be seaworthy.
  - 4.3.4. All boats shall have a working motor appropriate for the size for the boat.
  - 4.3.5. Each boat shall have a functioning GPS receiver capable of displaying the boat's latitude and longitude position while racing.
  - 4.3.6. Autopilots and power winches may be used only in MD and JAM Fleets.
- 4.4. Fleet designations will be for Buoy, MD, JAM, and Multihull Fleets.
  - 4.4.1. Class designations within each fleet will be by grouping boats of similar PHRF ratings. The number of PHRF classes will be at the discretion of the OA.
  - 4.4.2. Any boat racing with a LMPHRF one design rating shall comply with their respective one design class rules.
  - 4.4.3. JAM Fleet designation. To be eligible to compete in the JAM Fleet, boats are limited to jib and main only.
  - 4.4.4. Class designations will be posted on the Official Notice Board prior to the competitors' meeting and posted on the relevant Yachtscore.com event page.
- 4.5. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form found on the relevant Yachtscore.com event page.
- 4.6. All entries and fees shall be received, acknowledged, and accepted by OA prior to the VHF radio call competitors' meeting.

#### 5. **FEES**

- 5.1. Race Fees are listed in Appendix 1
- 5.2. Fees are included with fleet dues for current WYC/AIS fleet members.
- 5.3. Required fees are nonrefundable.

#### 6. **CREW LIMITATIONS**

- 6.1. The following crew limitations apply:
  - 6.1.1. MD and JAM Fleets: The minimum number of crew is 2 (skipper +1).
  - 6.1.2. Buoy and Multihull Fleets: The minimum number of crew is 3 (skipper +2), except boats 24 feet and under may be sailed by 2 persons (skipper +1).

#### 7. **ADVERTISING**

- 7.1. [NP] [DP] All competitor or boat advertising shall be in compliance with WS Regulation 20.



## 8. SCHEDULE

- 8.1. The Racing Schedule is listed in Appendix 2
- 8.2. OA will hold a competitors' meeting by means of a VHF radio call approximately 120-minutes prior to the scheduled warning signal on each day.
- 8.3. On the last scheduled day of a racing event, no warning signal shall be made after 1400 hours.

## 9. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 9.1. [DP] Each boat shall produce or verify the existence of a valid 2021 LMPHRF certificate upon request by the RC.
- 9.2. Boats may be inspected at any time.
- 9.3. [DP] Boats shall also comply with RRS 78.1.

## 10. VENUE

- 10.1. Racing may be held in the vicinity of the Apostle Islands, except the "Silver Bay Scramble" will start in or near Apostle Islands and race to Silver Bay, MN.

## 11. COURSES

### 11.1. Buoy Fleet

- 11.1.1. This fleet may sail a combination of Windward/Leeward courses using drop marks and mid-distance courses that use any combination of drop marks, fixed marks, islands, or virtual marks indicated by GPS coordinates.

### 11.2. MD and JAM fleet

- 11.2.1. These fleets may use the starting line for the Buoy Fleet to start and then sail a course that uses any combination of drop marks, fixed marks, islands, or virtual marks indicated by GPS coordinates.

### 11.3. Multihull fleet

- 11.3.1. At the discretion of the Race Committee the Multihull fleet may sail a course as described in item 11.1.1 or a course described in item 11.2.1.

## 12. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1. RRS Appendix V1 will be enforced for all classes in accordance with RRS 44.1.
- 12.2. RRS Appendix T – Arbitration will be in effect for the series.

## 13. SCORING

- 13.1. A boats series score will be the total of her race scores. This exclusion of a boats worst score is in accordance with the allowance specified in Appendix A2.1.

## 14. PRIZES

- 14.1. Prizes will be specified in the relevant sailing instructions
- 14.2. To be eligible for end of season prizes, skipper or owner shall be a registered and paid Full or Skipper member of WYC (including membership dues and membership certificate fee as applicable) and shall be a registered and paid member of the AIS fleet, excluding payment of dues waived by AIS fleet vote or policy.

## 15. RISK STATEMENT, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY; WAIVERS AND RELEASE

- 15.1. "Event Organizer(s)" means AIS/WYC Station, Inc. ("AIS"), Wayzata Yacht Club ("WYC"), Organizing Authority, Race Committee, Principal Race Officer (PRO), race officers, Protest Committee, judges, competition managers, fleets, sponsors, promoters, advertisers, licensors, venue providers, supporting organizations, host clubs and venue provider(s) (and each of their



respective insurers, affiliates, shareholders, officers, directors, board members, personnel, supervisors, managers, employees, staff, licensees, contractors, officials, members, guests, volunteers, agents, representatives and all other persons or entities involved or associated with an **Event(s)**).

- 15.2. “**Event(s)**” includes without limitation race(s), series, cup(s), regatta(s), social(s), party(ies), and/or associated or related activity(ies) or event(s) sponsored, promoted, scheduled, conducted, or operated by **Event Organizer(s)**.
- 15.3. RRS *Rule 3*, “Decision to Race”, states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue *racing* is hers alone.”
- 15.4. Each person (including without limitation competitor, *support persons*, volunteer, and/or spectator) attends and/or participates in **Event(s)** entirely at his/her own risk.
- 15.5. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INJURIES**. By attending or participating in **Event(s)**, each person knowingly, willingly, and voluntarily acknowledges and agrees that sailing, sailboat racing and/or associated **Event(s)** are potentially dangerous activities with inherent dangers, hazards and risks of injury and/or death [including without limitation hypothermia; drowning; personal injury; pain and suffering; trauma; bodily injury (including broken bones, head or neck injuries, and serious bodily injury); sickness, disease or illness (including without limitation **COVID 19**, virus and other infectious or communicable diseases); paralysis; dismemberment, disability and permanent disability; and/or loss or damage to boat, vehicle or personal property] (collectively, “**Injuries**”).
- 15.6. **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DANGERS**. Dangers, hazards and risks that may result in **Injuries** include without limitation: close physical proximity or contact with crew, skippers, other persons and/or other boats; weather, lake conditions or other acts of God (including without limitation cold water, gusts, downburst, straight line winds, strong winds, rough waves, sudden changes in weather, storms, etc.); boat or equipment failure; poor seamanship or boat handling errors by participant, participant’s boat or other boats; loss of balance on an unstable platform; fatigue; falling overboard; exposure to extreme conditions and circumstances; facilities issues and/or premises conditions; inadequate (or failure by) protective equipment, safety equipment, or safety measures; accidents, contact or collision with other participants or natural or manmade objects; contact with (or actions or inactions of) others (including without limitation competitors, spectators, race officers, and others on the lake); receiving/giving assistance, aid, care, emergency care, advice, rescue, first aid, treatment or emergency medical services; situations beyond the control of the participants or **Event Organizer(s)**; act, error, omission or alleged negligence by participant or other participants; act, error, omission or alleged negligence or misconduct of attendees, spectators, **Event Organizer(s)**, or other boats or traffic on the water; AND/OR OTHER UNDEFINED, NOT READILY FORESEEABLE AND PRESENTLY UNKNOWN DANGERS, HAZARDS AND RISKS. The foregoing dangers, hazards, and risks are collectively “Dangers”.
- 15.7. **ASSUMPTION OF RISK**. Each participant understands the **Injuries** may be caused in whole or in part or result directly or indirectly from **Dangers** or from the negligence of the actions, inactions, errors or omissions of participant, **Event Organizers**, or others. Each participant knowingly, willingly, and voluntarily assumes the risk of all such **Injuries** and **Damages**, whether known or unknown, or foreseen or unforeseeable. Each participant agrees to be responsible for damages, liabilities, losses, or expenses that are incurred by him/her as a result of his/her participation in any **Event(s)**. Participant also agree to be responsible for any **Injury** or **Danger** caused by participant at any **Event(s)**.



- 15.8. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY.** **EVENT ORGANIZER(S) WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE OR LIABLE FOR ANY PRESENT AND FUTURE DEMANDS, ACTIONS, SUITS, AND CLAIMS, WHETHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, IN LAW OR IN EQUITY, IN CONTRACT, IN TORT, OR UNDER COMMON LAW, OR UNDER ANY STATE OR FEDERAL STATUTE OR OTHERWISE, (COLLECTIVELY, “CLAIM(S)”), INJURY(IES), DAMAGES, LOSSES, LIABILITY, ACCIDENT, COST, FEE OR EXPENSE (INCLUDING COURT COSTS AND REASONABLE ATTORNEYS FEES) OF ANY KIND OR NATURE (COLLECTIVELY, “DAMAGES”) TO ANY ATTENDEE, PARTICIPANT, RELEASORS (DEFINED BELOW), PROPERTY OR BOAT THAT MAY BE SUFFERED, BASED UPON, ARISING OUT OF, LOGICALLY, OR CAUSALLY RELATED TO, OR IN ANY WAY CONNECTED WITH PARTICIPATION IN OR PRESENCE AT ANY EVENT(S) (INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION INJURIES, DAMAGES OR CLAIMS THAT MAY BE CAUSED BY OR ARISE OUT OF, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, BY NEGLIGENCE OR FAULT OF EVENT ORGANIZER(S)).**
- 15.9. **WAIVERS AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY**
- 15.9.1. IN CONSIDERATION OF ATTENDANCE OR PARTICIPATING IN ANY **EVENT(S)**, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, EACH PARTICIPANT (FOR THEMSELF AND ON BEHALF OF THEIR SPOUSE, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, HEIRS, NEXT OF KIN, LEGAL AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, AND SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, AND ANYONE ELSE WHO MAY SUE ON BEHALF OF PARTICIPANT) (COLLECTIVELY, “**RELEASORS**”) HEREBY **FOREVER WAIVES, DISCHARGES, AND RELEASES ALL CLAIMS AGAINST EVENT ORGANIZERS** FOR ANY **INJURIES, DANGERS, AND DAMAGES** OF ANY KIND OR NATURE THAT PARTICIPANT OR RELEASORS MIGHT SUFFER, BASED UPON, ARISING OUT OF, LOGICALLY, OR CAUSALLY RELATED TO, RESULT FROM, OR IN ANY WAY CONNECTED WITH PARTICIPATION IN OR PRESENCE AT ANY **EVENT(S)** (INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION **INJURIES, DAMAGES OR CLAIMS** THAT MAY BE CAUSED BY OR ARISE OUT OF, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, THE NEGLIGENCE OR FAULT OF **EVENT ORGANIZER(S)**).
- 15.9.2. WITHOUT LIMITING THE FOREGOING, PARTICIPANT FURTHER **WAIVES, DISCHARGES AND RELEASES ALL EVENT ORGANIZERS** FROM ALL **CLAIMS, INJURIES, DANGERS, AND DAMAGES** WHATSOEVER ON ACCOUNT OF **EVENT ORGANIZER(S)** AUTHORIZING (OR GIVING) ASSISTANCE, AID, CARE, EMERGENCY CARE, ADVICE, RESCUE, FIRST AID, TREATMENT OR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION **INJURIES, DAMAGES OR CLAIMS** THAT MAY BE CAUSED BY OR ARISE OUT OF, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, THE NEGLIGENCE OR FAULT OF **EVENT ORGANIZER(S)**).
- 15.10. **AGREE NOT TO SUE.** ALL ATTENDEES, PARTICIPANTS AND **RELEASORS** WILL NOT SUE, OR MAKE ANY **CLAIM(S)** AGAINST, ANY **EVENT ORGANIZER** (AND SURRENDER ANY RIGHT ATTENDEE, PARTICIPANT OR **RELEASORS** MAY HAVE OR MAY LATER ACCRUE TO RECOVER, THROUGH A COURT OF LAW OR BY OTHER MEANS, COMPENSATION) FOR ANY **INJURIES, DANGERS, OR DAMAGES** BASED UPON, ARISING OUT OF, LOGICALLY OR CAUSALLY RELATED TO, OR IN ANY WAY CONNECTED WITH PARTICIPATION IN OR PRESENCE AT ANY



**EVENT(S) (INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION SUITS, CLAIMS, INJURIES OR DAMAGES THAT MAY ARISE OUT OF NEGLIGENCE OR FAULT OF EVENT ORGANIZER(S)).**

- 15.11. ***CHILDREN & MINORS.*** WHERE A MINOR OR CHILD PARTICIPATES IN ANY **EVENT(S)**, ALL PARENTS AND GUARDIANS HEREBY ACCEPT AND AGREE TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE FOREGOING ***ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, WAIVERS AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY,*** AND ***AGREE NOT TO SUE*** ON BEHALF OF, AND FOR, THEIR CHILD(REN) AND/OR MINOR(S).

#### 16. **INSURANCE**

- 16.1. All boats shall maintain Liability Insurance in full force and effect during Racing which will include a General Liability policy written by a reputable insurance company insuring the owner and any operators against liability for bodily injury in limits of not less than \$300,000 and for property damage of not less than \$100,000. Each boat will present proof of insurance upon OA's request.

#### 17. **CONDITION OF PARTICIPATION**

- 17.1. Code of Conduct. The registered competitor shall be responsible for conduct of the entire crew before, during, and after the Race while at Race related locations for Race related events. See RRS 2 and 69.
- 17.2. As a condition of participation, each participant (on behalf of him/herself and their children and minors) grants OA, sponsors and their designated photographers the perpetual, irrevocable right, license and permission to use, publish and distribute the participant's name, photos, video, images and statements of them and their boat and crew in all forms and media worldwide (including without limitation Internet) for any purposes whatsoever (including without limitation advertising, promotions, sales of pictures, etc.) without compensation or further permission.

#### 18. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 18.1. Organizing Authority (OA) and host club is the Apostle Islands Station of the Wayzata Yacht Club. For further information, contact AIS Fleet Captain, Jim Vaudreuil, by emailing [jimv@huebsch-services.com](mailto:jimv@huebsch-services.com) or calling (715) 210-5263.



## Appendix 1 –Race Fees

2021 Racing Events	Date(s)	WYC & AIS Member	Non WYC & AIS Member
Spring Series	May 23-25	Included	\$150 Weekend / \$65 Daily
Around the Islands (ATI)	July 3	Included	See ATI NOR
Bayfield Race Week (BRW)	July 5 - July 9	Included	See BRW NOR
Fall Series, including Hulings around Madeline Island Race	September 5-7	Included	\$150 Weekend / \$65 Daily
Dobson Regatta	September 26-27	Included	\$100 Weekend / \$55 Daily

WYC Membership, AIS Fleet, LMPHRF and dock fees are additional.

- A1.1. AIS annual fleet dues of \$305 shall be paid prior to the event to qualify for season WYC trophies.
- A1.2. In the year a member joins the WYC as a FULL member, a Membership Certificate of \$400 is required. When a member joins the AIS fleet in the same year as becoming a FULL member of WYC, the AIS fleet dues are waived for that year.
- A1.3. AIS Fleet encourages all skippers and crew become US Sailing members.
- A1.4. US Sailing membership is required to obtain a LMPHRF measurement certificate. US Sailing membership is available at <https://www.ussailing.org/membership/>
- A1.5. LMPHRF certificate is available on application via the form at <https://lmphrf.org/>



## Appendix 2 – Racing Schedule

2021 Dates	Warning	Series	Scheduled Races		Comments
			MD and JAM*	Buoy and Multihull	
May 29	1100	Spring Series	1	2	
May 30	1100	Spring Series	1	2	
May 31	1100	Spring Series	1	2	
June 19	1100	Single/Double Handed	1	1	Note B
July 3	1000	Summer Series	1	1	Around the Islands Race
July 5	Note A	Summer Series	Note A	Note A	Bayfield Race Week
July 6	Note A	Summer Series	Note A	Note A	Bayfield Race Week
July 7	Note A	Summer Series	Note A	Note A	Bayfield Race Week
July 8	Note A	Summer Series	Note A	Note A	Bayfield Race Week
July 9	Note A	Summer Series	Note A	Note A	Bayfield Race Week
August 14	1000	Silver Bay Scramble	1	1	Note B
September 4	1030	Fall Series Regatta	1	1	Bill Hulings Around Madeline Race
September 5	1100	Fall Series Regatta	1	2	
September 6	1100	Fall Series Regatta	1	2	
September 25	1100	Dobson Regatta	1	1	
September 26	1100	Dobson Regatta	1	1	

\* While MD and JAM Fleets are scheduled to sail one race per day, a second race is allowed at the discretion of the RC and/or OA.

**Note A:** Race schedule (e.g. start times and number of races) during Bayfield Race Week will be specified in Bayfield Race Week Sailing Instructions

**Note B:** Championship Series. AIS Championship Series is open to all yachts that have paid their WYC and AIS fleet dues for the season. The Championship is a summation of the series points awarded for the Spring, Summer and Fall series plus the Dobson regatta. See <http://wyc.org/aisresults> for cumulative Championship Series results and calculation method. The Championship Series scoring excludes the Silver Bay Scramble and the Single/Double handed race for all fleets.