



BEAVER ISLAND RACE & RALLY SATURDAY, AUGUST 8 — SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2020

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organizing Authority is the Little Traverse Yacht Club (LTYC).

1. Rules:

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, 2017-2020 and the prescriptions of US Sailing (RRS), except as altered by the Notice of Race (NOR) or the Sailing Instructions (SIs).
- 1.2. Each boat entered shall have functional auxiliary power and fuel, all safety equipment required by the U.S. Coast Guard and the State of Michigan, lifelines, and a bow pulpit for boats with non-furling headsails and/or spinnakers.
- 1.3. Each boat entered shall carry an operating VHF radio capable of receiving and transmitting on Channel 16 and 73.
- 1.4. *Safety and Responsibility*
 - 1.4.1. Each yacht owner and skipper is solely responsible for the safety of his or her yacht, crew and guests, and by participating in this event, warrants and represents for the benefit of his or her crew, guests, club, participants and spectators of the event that the yacht is seaworthy, is equipped and outfitted in accordance with the Sailing Instructions (SIs), the Notice of Race (NOR), the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), US Coast Guard and State of Michigan laws and regulations as applicable, and that the crew is experienced and in good physical condition to safely and properly participate in the event in all weather conditions.
 - 1.4.2. Each yacht owner and skipper has the sole responsibility to decide whether to start or to continue in the event. See RRS 4 (Decision to Race).
 - 1.4.3. Each yacht owner is solely responsible for the conduct of his or her yacht's crew, before, during and after the event, **both afloat and ashore**. Conduct deemed unbecoming may result in the yacht being disqualified.

1.5. *COVID-19 Regulations*

1.5.1. All competitors, including all crews, shall only participate in compliance with applicable State of Michigan, Emmet County, and/or City of Harbor Springs laws, rules, and regulations, including any relevant provisions of Executive Orders promulgated by the Governor of Michigan related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

1.5.2. All competitors, including all crews, participate in racing at their own risk. See RRS 4 (Decision to Race).

1.5.3. By participating in any race, all competitors, including all crews, agree to the provisions of the LTYC COVID-19 Waiver attached to this document as Attachment A. It is the responsibility of the skipper to ensure that all crew are aware of and have agreed to the Waiver.

1.5.4. Sailing Instruction 1.5 shall not be the subject of a protest by a boat.

1.6. Appendix VI of the US Sailing Prescriptions (Penalty at the Time of an Incident) shall apply:

VI PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT

The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'

2. **Notices to Competitors**

2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the event's YachtScoring page, linked from the LTYC Club Racing web page (<https://ltyc.org/club-racing/>) and will be emailed to registered competitors using the email address provided upon registration.

3. **Changes to Sailing Instructions**

3.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted and emailed by 9AM on the day it will take effect.

4. **Event Format:**

4.1. The event will consist of two races. **Race 1** will be from Harbor Springs to Beaver Island. **Race 2** will be from Beaver Island to Harbor Springs.

4.2. **Race 1** (*Harbor Springs to Beaver Island*) will be conducted using a "pursuit" format. Each boat entered will be given an individual starting time based on their PHRF rating. Starting times will be calculated so that the order of finish will determine the scores.

4.3. **Race 2** (*Beaver Island to Harbor Springs*) will be scored using PHRF time correction. All boats will start at the same time; the scores will be determined by corrected time based on each boat's elapsed time.

4.4. The overall event standings will be determined by the total scores of the completed races. Ties will be broken according to the RRS.

5. **Schedule of Races:** The event has two scheduled races - one on *Saturday* and one on *Sunday*. The schedule is as follows:
 - 5.1. *Saturday (Race 1):* Each yacht shall start Race 1 by leaving the LTYC “B” mark to port at or after their scheduled time as described below.
 - 5.2. *Sunday (Race 2):* 1000 hours Start of Race 2 for all yachts.
6. **Courses:**
 - 6.1. *Saturday (Race 1):* The starting line will be a line from the LTYC “B” mark bearing 0 degrees magnetic (towards the shoreline of Harbor Point). To start, boats must cross the starting line within 100 feet of the LTYC “B” mark, leaving it to port. The finish line will be a line between the buoys designated N “2” and C “1” at the entrance to St. James Harbor, Beaver Island.
 - 6.2. *Sunday (Race 2):* The starting line will be between the buoys designated N “2” and C “1” at the entrance to St. James Harbor, Beaver Island. The finish line will be a line from the LTYC “B” mark bearing 0 degrees magnetic (towards the shoreline of Harbor Point). To finish, boats must cross the finish line within 100 feet of the LTYC “B” mark, leaving it to starboard.
7. **Time Limits:** If the first boat does not finish by 1900 hours for **Race 1** or 1900 hours for **Race 2**, that race is abandoned.
8. **Starting:**
 - 8.1. No RC boat will be on station for the start of either race.
 - 8.2. *Saturday (Race 1):* Each yacht will be given a starting time, with the earliest start time being 1000 hours. Yachts shall not start pursuant to SI 6.1 (*i.e.* pass mark “B”) prior to their designated start time. Starting times will be distributed to all participants via email and posted to the Notice Board by 1700 hours on Friday, August 7. In the event of a starting delay, all starting times will be pushed back the same amount, as communicated by the race committee via text message, email and/or on VHF Channel 73.
 - 8.3. *Sunday (Race 2):* All yachts shall start by crossing the starting line described in SI 6.2 on or after 1000 hours.
 - 8.4. All times shall be GPS clock time—the local time displayed on the vessel’s GPS receiver.

9. **Finishing:**

- 9.1. No RC boat will be on station for the finishes on either day.
- 9.2. All yachts will take their own time of finish (using GPS clock time) and report their finish time (as well as the identity of the boat(s) ahead and behind, if visible) via text message to the LTYC Rear Commodore at 215-917-6825 as soon as possible after their finish and in any event no later than 30 minutes after their finish.
- 9.3. Any yacht not reporting a finish time within 30 minutes of finishing will not be scored for that race.

10. **Scoring:**

- 10.1. The low-point scoring system, Appendix A of the RRS, will be used. Each race counts separately.

11. **Retirement:**

- 11.1. A yacht that retires from a race must notify the LTYC Rear Commodore at 215-917-6825 as soon as possible.

12. **Protests:**

- 12.1. Protests and requests for redress must be submitted via email (to protests@ltyc.org) within 30 minutes of the protesting yacht's finish. The filing time window may be extended by the protest committee for good cause.
- 12.2. Hearings will be convened as soon as possible after the race. Hearings may be conducted in person, via conference call, or via videoconference at the discretion of the protest committee. It is the intention of the protest committee that (absent objection by the parties involved) they will be "open hearings" allowing easy observation by other competitors.
- 12.3. Decisions of the protest committee will be posted on the official notice board as soon as possible.

13. **Prizes:** First, second and third place yachts will receive a flag.

14. **Further Information:**

- 14.1. Contact: Polk Wagner, LTYC Rear Commodore
215-91706825 (m) / RearCommodore@ltyc.org
- 14.2. *Dockage:* Each participating boat needs to make their own reservation with the Beaver Island Municipal Marina (<https://www.midnrreservations.com/>)—or make other arrangements.



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ATTACHMENT A

LITTLE TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB COVID-19 WAIVER

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. It is believed that an individual can be infected with COVID-19 without their knowledge and be asymptomatic. The Little Traverse Yacht Club (LTYC) has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19. However, the LTYC cannot guarantee that I or anyone else will not become infected with COVID-19, and participation in an LTYC event could increase the risk of contracting COVID-19.

By participating in an LTYC event, I ACKNOWLEDGE the contagious nature of COVID-19 and VOLUNTARILY ASSUME THE RISK that I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by participating in an LTYC event, and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at an LTYC may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself or others, including, but not limited to, LTYC employees, volunteers, and other participants. I UNDERSTAND AND VOLUNTARILY ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL the foregoing risks related to COVID-19 and accept sole responsibility for any injury or illness that may occur. Further, I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, or omissions, of the LTYC, its employees, agents, and volunteers, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any LTYC event.