

2024 Quantum Melges 24 Great Lakes Cup

Event #2

Sarnia Yacht Club

June 22-23

The logo for the Melges 24 class, featuring the word "MELGES" in a bold, blue, italicized sans-serif font, followed by the number "24" in a smaller, red, italicized sans-serif font.

Notice of Race (NoR)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing and the International Melges 24 Class*.
- 1.2 National prescriptions of Sail Canada will apply. These can be found at [RRS 2021-2024 Sail Canada Prescriptions](#).
- 1.3 IM24CA Coach and Support Boat Regulations will be in effect. Except as modified in 1.4 [DP]
- 1.4 IM24CA standard coach and support boat appendix C, section B1 is modified to allow boats choosing to base out of PHYC to be towed through the river. Boats may be towed between PHYC and the entrance to SYC. All boats must be under their own power to/from the SYC entrance to the race course.[NP] [DP]

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be posted to Yachtscoring no later than the start of Friday, June 21.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board is located on Yachtscoring.
- 3.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US 69, 71, 72, and 73.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SI. Errors, omissions, or failure to hear a broadcast shall not constitute grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1[NP] [DP]

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Entry is open to all boats of the Melges 24 class that meet the obligations of the Class Rules and their National Authority. Proof of Class membership for skippers and a valid measurement certificate in the boat owner's name will be required at registration.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by registering online at Yachtscoring.com.
- 4.3 For boats competing for the Corinthian division, sailors must register with World Sailing and be able to declare their World Sailing Sailor ID and Classification Group on their race entry form by June 14, 2024.
- 4.4 Port Huron Yacht Club is available to host boats/crews who would prefer to sail out of Michigan. In the event of a protest, hearings will be available in person at SYC or via video call as needed.

5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fees are as follows:
 - (a) the standard entry fee is CAD 275 on or before May 31. Entry fee after May 31 is CAD 375 (Includes social package skipper and crew)
 - (b) Additional weekend social packages for guests: \$30

6 MEASUREMENT

6.1 Each boat shall produce a valid Melges 24 Class Measurement Certificate before the close of registration.

6.2 The OA may weigh, measure, register, or inspect any boat and/or her equipment and sails before, during, or after the races. During the event, checks on conformity with the Class Rules, including measurement may be performed at any time at the discretion of the OA.

6.3 All sails shall be measured and stamped by an approved Class measurer before arrival at the Regatta.

7 SCHEDULE

Friday, June 22	4:00 -7:00 PM Registration and Melges Weigh-in 6:30 PM- Pizza/snacks/refreshments PHYC boats should contact organizer for check-in arrangements
Saturday, June 23	8:00-9:00 AM Registration 9:30 Skippers Meeting 11:00 First Warning Signal 5:30 (approx) Dinner and refreshments
Sunday, June 24	10:00 First Warning Signal 2:00 - last warning signal Awards (as soon as possible)

*Note: All social offerings take place at Sarnia Yacht Club

8 LAUNCH AND HAUL

8.1 There is a dry-sail crane and ramp available on site.

8.2 All boats will be assigned a well/raft area at launch. Empty trailers should be moved per directions at registration.

8.3 Boats shall not be hauled out between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the Championship except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the RC.

8.4 US boats are permitted to sail out of Port Huron Yacht Club. Anyone planning to sail out of PHYC must make arrangements with the organizer and PHYC in advance.

9 COURSES

9.1 Courses will be Windward/Leeward as described in the sailing instructions

9.2 Racing will be located 1.5-2 NM Northeast of the SYC harbor

10 SCORING

10.1 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

10.2 Series Score:

- (i) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (ii) When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (iii) RRS A5.3 applies.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 Rule 44.1 is changed as follows: A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or Class Rule C.11 while racing. However, when she may have

broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.

11.2 Unless the course is shortened to finish at the windward mark, penalties while in the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg may be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downwind leg. (This changes RRS 44.2.)

12 ADVERTISING

Advertising will conform to World Sailing Regulation 20 and the Class Rules.

Boats may be required to display sponsors' advertising for the duration of the event chosen and supplied by the OA.

13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The OA 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.

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor and the responsible adult agree and acknowledge that:

- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their boat, and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.
- e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

14 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$350000 CAD per incident or the equivalent.

15 PRIZES

Keeper prizes will be awarded to the top three boats overall.

The top three Corinthian boats will be recognized

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Greg Chamberlain at greg@chamberlainhomes.ca

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