

# 2024 Weekend Series NOTICE OF RACE



## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in the current edition of *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS). This NOR has been prepared in accordance with RRS Appendix J1.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the US Sailing national authority will apply. The Midwest PHRF By-Laws and Handicapping Rules, Credits and Penalties (HRCPP) will apply, and each boat shall have a current Midwest PHRF rating certificate.
- 1.3 The minimum number of crew per boat is two (2). RRS 52 applies and the use of autopilots while racing is not allowed.
- 1.4 One Design, Multihull, Cruising Class and Double Handed Class rules apply.
- 1.5 The navigation rules of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) and the RRS Appendix RV (Reduced Visibility) all apply. Michigan/Ontario boating laws and DNR/Ontario boat safety regulations apply.
- 1.11 If there is a conflict between languages the English text takes precedence.

## 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available by May 19<sup>th</sup> on [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com).
- 2.2 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions will be on the official notice board located at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com)

## 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at the Yachtscoring Race Page, on [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com).
- 3.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF channels, including international distress channel 16, boater calling channel 9, port operation channels and non-commercial channels 68, 69, 71, 72. The vessel VHF radio must be capable of receiving and transmitting within the race course area and also include the area boats must transit to and from their harbors and the race course. It is the responsibility of skippers/owners to maintain and regularly test their vessel VHF receiving and transmitting communications.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on the VHF radio. The specific non-commercial channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 While racing, from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that are not available to all boats.

## 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Boats registered to the Port Huron Yacht Club and Sarnia Yacht Club are eligible to race.
- 4.2 A boat's application to race shall be conditioned upon the RC acceptance of the boat as an entrant in the Race.
- 4.3 The Midwest PHRF rating certificate applies to boats racing under the PHRF racing handicap system. One Design, Multihull, Cruising Class and Double Handed Class rules apply.
- 4.4 Classes are: PHRF (Symmetrical and Asymmetrical), Cruising ASM (Cruising Class permitted Asymmetrical Spinnakers only) and JAM (Jib and Main only). Additional classes may be added. A minimum of six (6) yachts are required to form a class.
- 4.5 There is no paper application for entry (see NOR 4.6)
- 4.6 Eligible boats may enter the event by signing up on [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com).
- 4.7 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete the online registration and pay all fees.
- 4.8 Late entries may not be accepted.

## 5 FEES

- 5.1 Registration fee is \$20 paid on [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com).
- 5.2 Additional fees (mooring, event etc.) may be required for this regatta by the hosting yacht club.

## 6 CREW LIMITATIONS

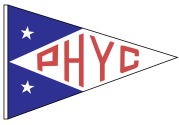
- 6.1 The following limitations apply: A minimum number of crew per boat is two (2). See NOR 1.3.
- 6.2 One Design, Multihull, Cruising Class and Double Handed Class rules may apply.

## 7 ADVERTISING

- 7.1 Boats shall display advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20- ISAF Advertising Code.

## 8 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

- 8.1 Races will be counted for overall Spring, Summer/Special races and Fall series. Awards will be given to the top 3 finishers in each class for both Spring and Fall. In addition, the Spring and Fall series will be combined with awards for the top 3 and additional standing trophy presentations at the end of the season. The five Special races will award the top 3 finishers for each race as well as standing trophy presentations at the end of the season.
- 8.2 One Design, Multihull, Cruising and Double Handed Classes may have additional special race awards TBA.



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## 9 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

9.1 Registration for the Weekend Series Races must be completed one (1) week prior to the first race of the season. Class changes will be opened after the last race of the Spring Series and then closed again one (1) week prior to the first race of the Fall Series. Late entries or late class change requests should be submitted in writing to the Race Chairman and will be reviewed on a case by case basis. Class equipment and measurements are to be performed prior to the first race.

9.3 The Weekend Series races (Spring, Special & Fall) dates are provided on the PHYC Race Schedule.

9.4 Number of races: see the Race Schedule or the SIs

9.5 See individual SI's for warning signal times.

9.6 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1400.

## 10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

10.1 Each boat shall produce or verify the existence of a valid measurement/rating certificate.

10.2 Class boats that require pre-race inspection shall have this performed prior to the first race.

10.3 Boats may be inspected at any time.

10.4 Boats may be inspected for compliance of weight placement and ballast (RRS 50 and 51).

10.5 One Design Classes may be subject to inspection for compliance of class rules (RRS 78).

## 11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

11.1 Boats may be inspected for compliance to RRS 50.1(a)

## 12 VENUE

12.1 The Weekend Series Races are sponsored and hosted by PHYC and SYC.

## 13 COURSES

13.1 The Spring and Fall Weekend Series Races will be similar to a PHYC/SYC buoy course or may be run on the Octagon course. The Summer Weekend Special Races will be variable distance courses (see SIs for detailed descriptions).

13.2 Specific mark locations will be identified in the SIs.

## 14 PENALTIES

14.1 Penalties on the race course will be addressed according to RRS 44.1 and 44.2

## 15 SCORING

15.1 The Low Point scoring system will be scored according to RRS 90.3.

15.2 There will be Six (6) Spring and Six (6) Fall series races. There will be five (5) Special races.

15.3 Once 4 races have been completed in the same series then RRS 90.3 specifically A2.1 (one throw-out race) will apply.

15.4 RC sailboats shall receive a 2<sup>nd</sup> place score for the day but may only receive this RC score once per series.

15.5 One race may constitute a series.

## 16 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

16.1 Support vessels will be marked with a RC flag.

## 17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

17.1 A boat chartered/loaned for this event may carry a sail number in contravention of her class rules (RRS G3) provided that notification has been given to the Race Chairman and or the Class/Fleet Captain.

## 18 DOCKAGE/BERTHS

18.1 Non-member boats must make prior dockage arrangements by contacting the PHYC Harbormaster

## 19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

19.1 Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the event except with permission of the Race Chairman.

## 20 CLEANING BELOW THE WATERLINE AND USE OF DIVING EQUIPMENT

20.1 Underwater breathing apparatus shall not be used for the duration of the racing event.

20.2 Keelboats shall not be cleaned below the waterline by any means during the race event.

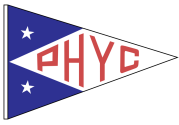
## 21 DATA PROTECTION

21.1 For a statement of data protection see the PRIVACY POLICY on [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com).

## 22 RISK STATEMENT

22.1 RRS 3 states: "**The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone**".

By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment,



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boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

## 23 INSURANCE

23.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with minimum coverage of \$250,000 per incident.

## 24 AWARDS/PRIZES

24.1 See <https://phyc.org> Racing/Award, Weekend Series.

## 25 FURTHER INFORMATION

25.1 For further information please contact the PHYC Race Chairman.