



2016
Apostle Islands Station of
The Wayzata Yacht Club (AIS)
Around the Islands Race
Sailing Instructions (SIs)

Starting Sequence

Skippers Meeting 0800 CST July 2, 2016 at the Bayfield Inn

Warning Signal 1000 CST

1.0 Rules. The race will be governed by the Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 (RRS) and the AIS 2015 U.S. Sailing Nearshore Safety Equipment Requirements found at www.wyc.org/ais, except as changed by the AIS NOR or these SIs.

2.0 Entries. Please see Around the Islands Race NOR for Entries / Eligibility & Insurance Requirements.

3.0 Notice to Competitors. Official notices to competitors will be posted on the Notice Board located at the Dock Office of the Apostle Islands Marina and on-line at wyc.org/ais.

4.0 Changes in Sailing Instructions. Changes to the SIs will be posted on the notice board and on line at wyc.org/ais two hours prior to the start and will be announced by RC on VHF Radio Channel 72 prior to the warning signal of a race per RRS Rule 89.2, RC may alter these SIs on-the-water by hail and announcement on VHF Radio Channel 72 after displaying code flag “L” with one sound in the racing area.

5.0 Signals

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed by RC Boat at Apostle Islands Marina and announced via VHF channel 72..

5.1.1 When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with not less than 1 hour in the Race Signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signal AP.

5.1.2 Flag “N” over “C” means: All races are abandoned. No more racing today. This changes RRS Race Signal N over A.

5.2 Special signals in the racing area:

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6.0 The Course:

- 6.1** The course is clockwise around the Apostle Islands, starting in front of Bayfield, taking the Red Cliff buoy to port, taking Devil's Island to Starboard, Outer Island to Starboard, Michigan Island to Starboard, Grants Point Buoy to Starboard, and finishing off the break wall at the end of Rittenhouse Ave in Bayfield, WI.
- 6.2** The course shall not be changed or shortened.

7.0 The Start

7.1 Races will be started using the following signals. Times will be taken from the visual signals; the absence or delay of a sound signal will be disregarded. There shall be 1 start for all competitors.

Signal	Flag	Minutes before starting signal
Warning	Yellow	10
Preparatory	Blue	5
One Minute	Preparatory flag removed	1
Start	Red	0

This changes RRS Rule 26.

- 7.2** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag or shape on RC Boat and port end starting mark.
- 7.3** RC may move a starting mark at any time prior to removal of preparatory signal flag. This changes RRS Rule 27.2.
- 7.4** Recalls will be signaled as follows:
 - 7.4.1** When signaling an individual recall, RC may hail (and may announce via radio) the sail number(s) of boat(s) being recalled. Failure or delay to hear or provide announcements will not be grounds for request for redress. This changes RRS Rule 62.1(a).
 - 7.4.2** When at the starting signal RC is unable to identify boats that are on the course side of the starting line or to which RRS Rule 30 applies, or there has been an error in the starting procedure, RC may signal a general recall by displaying the First Substitute with two sounds.



7.5 Any boat using a sail with an alternate sail number will report the proper sail number to RC Boat prior to starting.

8.0 The Finish

8.1 The Bayfield City Dock is used as one mark of the finish line, the other end will be a mark approximately 300 feet from the end of the pier in a line projected by extending Rittenhouse Avenue through the end of the pier. In the absence of a second mark in the water, all yachts will finish within approximately 200 feet of the pier along the line specified above.

8.2 All finishing boat shall take their own GPS time, noting where possible, the sail number of boats finishing ahead and behind them

8.3 The finish line will be staffed for 4 hours after the 2nd place boat finishes. Boats finishing after this time shall be scored based on their declared GPS finish time.

8.4 While on station, the finish line staff will acknowledge each finish with a horn blast or whistle. If you do not receive an acknowledgement signal upon finishing, you must record your time and deliver it to OA, PRO or the registration desk at the Bayfield Pavillion no later than 1400 on Sunday July 3rd. Boats still racing at that time should deliver finish times at the first opportunity after finishing to the Pavillion.

9.0 Time Limits - None

10.0 Protests

10.1 A boat intending to protest will, upon finishing or retiring, inform the finish line RC Boat of her intent to protest and the sail number(s) of the boat(s) being protested. If RC Boat is not ‘on station’ at the finishing line, then the boat must inform RC within 1 hour of their finishing. This changes Rule 61.1(a). Except in cases where damage or medical emergency forces a boat to retire or RC Boat is not on station at the finish line, a protest is invalid when this requirement is not met..

10.2 Protests must be delivered to RC PRO or AIS Fleet Captain.

10.3 Time limit for filing protests and requests for redress will be **one (1) hour** after a boat’s finish.

10.4 Notices will be posted as soon as reasonably possible of receiving the the protest/request for redress to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Where reasonably possible, hearings will be scheduled for the day the protests were received and in the order the protests were received. In unusual circumstances and with sufficient notice, the Protest Committee (‘PC’) may schedule a hearing for a different day, time or order.

10.5 Notices of hearings will be posted on the Notice Board located at the Bayfield Pavillion and on-line at wyc.org/ais.



- 10.6 Postponement of a hearing by a party: a party to a protest may request postponement of a hearing for any reason by contacting the PC. PC may grant additional request(s) for postponement of hearing by a party only with good reason. RRS Rule 63.3(b) is changed by adding this SI #10.6.
- 10.7 Ratings Protest: In furtherance of RRS Rule 64.3, all class rules questions will be referred to LMPHRF (or one design authority, if one design class rules are at issue).
- 10.8 Breaches of SI 7.5 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS Rule 60.1(a). Violation of this SI may be subject to a lesser penalty, or no penalty, at discretion of the PC. This changes RRS Rule 64.1.

11.0 Engine Placement while Racing. From the time the boat sails near the racing area prior to *racing*, and while *racing*, and until *finishes*, transom mounted engines will be stowed aboard or left mounted with the shaft in the vertical position.

12.0 Scoring - This event shall be scored using the LMPHRF Time on Time method. TOT “B” factor of 550 (average conditions) shall be used

13.0 Prizes

- 13.1 Trophy prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place
- 13.2 Additional trophy prizes or awards may be awarded at the discretion of the Trophy Chairperson.

14.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, WAIVER AND RELEASE

- 14.1 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury, including without limitation bodily injury, personal injury, permanent disability and death. Each person (including without limitation owner, skipper, crew, spectators, officials and others) participates in each race, social event and/or associated activities entirely at his/her own risk. See RRS Rule 4, “Decision to Race”.
- 14.2 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY, RACE COMMITTEE, PROTEST COMMITTEE, SPONSORS, HOST CLUB AND VENUE (AND EACH OF THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, CONTRACTORS, OFFICIALS, MEMBERS, GUESTS, VOLUNTEERS, REPRESENTATIVES AND ALL OTHER PERSONS IN THEIR CAPACITY OF ASSISTING A RACE, SOCIAL EVENT AND/OR ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES) (COLLECTIVELY, “RACE ORGANIZERS”) WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE OR LIABLE FOR ANY ACTION, CLAIM OR SUIT (COLLECTIVELY, “CLAIMS”) OR LIABILITY, LOSS, DAMAGE, ACCIDENT OR INJURY WHATSOEVER (INCLUDING BODILY INJURY, PERSONAL INJURY, PERMANENT DISABILITY OR DEATH) (COLLECTIVELY, “DAMAGES”) TO ANY PERSON, PROPERTY OR BOAT WHETHER CAUSED BY, ARISING OR



RESULTING FROM THEIR ACT, ERROR, OMISSION OR ALLEGED NEGLIGENCE OR MISCONDUCT, WEATHER OR SEA CONDITIONS, HAZARDS OF ANY KIND, DEFECTS OR FAILURE OF BOATS TO BE SEAWORTHY IN HULL, RIGGING OR GEAR, OR ANY ACTS, ERRORS OR OMISSIONS OR ALLEGED NEGLIGENCE OR MISCONDUCT OF RACE ORGANIZERS OR OTHER PARTICIPANTS OR BOATS WHICH MAY OCCUR DURING OR ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH ANY RACE, REGATTA, EVENT, CRUISE, SPECTACLE, SOCIAL EVENT, RACE FACILITIES OR ANY ACTIVITY SCHEDULED, SPONSORED OR AIDED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY ANY RACE ORGANIZER(S), TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW.

- 14.3 By participating, each participant (and in the case of children and minors, each participant’s parent or guardian) forever waives, discharges and releases any and all CLAIMS whatsoever against Race Organizers for any DAMAGES to any person, property or boat (i) sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after each race, social event and associated activities; or (ii) arising, relating or resulting from use of race facilities or participation in any race, social event or associated activities, to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 14.4 Participant releases all Race Organizers from any Claim on account of giving assistance, aid, care, advice, rescue, first aid, treatment or services.
- 14.5 Owners and skippers of all participating boats are required to inform all crewmembers of this Disclaimer of Liability and Release as a Condition of Entry.

15.0 Insurance. All boats must 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.

16.0 PUBLICITY AND PHOTOGRAPHER’S RIGHTS. As a condition of participation, each participant (on behalf of him/herself and their children and minors) grants Organizing Authority, 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.

17.0 Organizing Authority & Host Club. Organizing Authority (OA) and host club is Apostle Island Station of Wayzata Yacht Club.