



Red Fox Regatta

Charlevoix, MI

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 - Rules — The regatta will be governed by the ‘rules’ as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the rules of the individual one-design classes will apply to those yachts competing in one-design divisions.

2 - Notices to Competitors — Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the foyer of the Charlevoix Yacht Club. Any notices posted between the finish of Race #1 and the start of Race #2 will be posted in or near the Boyne City Marina.

3 - Changes in Sailing Instructions — Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before it will take effect.

4 - Signals Made Ashore —

4.1 – Signals made ashore prior to Race #1 will be displayed at the Charlevoix Yacht Club and prior to Race #2 at the Boyne City Marina. Notice of any such signals will also be broadcast on VHF Channel 78.

4.2 – When Flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than forty (40) minutes’ in the Race Signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signal AP.

5 - Schedule —

DAY & DATE	EVENT	TIME	PLACE
Saturday, Sept 3	Competitors Meeting	0900 hrs	Charlevoix Yacht Club
	Race #1 - 1 st Warning Signal	1100 hrs	Lake Charlevoix near Charlevoix
Sunday, Sep 4	Race #2 - 1 st Warning Signal	1030 hrs	Lake Charlevoix near Boyne City
	Awards Ceremony	after Race #2	Charlevoix Yacht Club

6 - Class Flags — will be assigned as follows and shall be attached to the backstay (or, in the absence of, another prominent point near the stern) of each yacht:

DIVISION #	CLASS	FLAG	DIVISION #	CLASS	FLAG
1	Jib & Main	Light Blue	5	Melges 24	Hot Pink
2	Spinnaker	Green	6	Spinnaker	Yellow
3	Spinnaker	Orange	7	Catamaran/Non-Disp	Purple
4	Spinnaker	Medium Blue			

7 - Racing Area — is Lake Charlevoix as indicated on the Course Sheet.

8 - The Courses — a Course Sheet is included in each competitor packet.

8.1 – The Course Sheet shows the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 – The selected course for each race will be displayed from the Race Committee (RC) signal boat prior to the first warning signal and will be broadcast over VHF channel 78.

9 - Marks —

9.1 – Marks A, B, C, D, E and F will be orange cylinders.

9.2 – Marks G, H, I and J and K will be yellow or orange inflatables.

9.3 – The Starting Mark and Mark L (Saturday finishing mark) will be an inflatable orange cylinder.

9.4 – Mark W (Sunday courses only) will be an orange inflatable cylinder.

10 - The Start —

- 10.1 – Divisions will start in the order of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7.
- 10.2 – The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC Signal Boat at the starboard end and the course side of the starting mark at the port end.
- 10.3 - A clearance mark may be attached to the rear of the RC Signal Boat and shall be left to starboard.
- 10.4 – Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of all boats whose warning signal has been made.

11 - Recalls —

- 11.1 – Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1. In addition, the Race Committee may attempt to hail On Course Side (OCS) competitors vocally or on VHF channel 78. Failure to be hailed, the timing of such hail, or failure to hear a hail is insufficient cause for redress under RRS 62.
- 11.2 – In the event a division has a general recall, that division will go to the end of the line and will then start after all scheduled divisions and any previously recalled divisions. This changes RRS 29.2.

12 - The Finish —

- 12.1 – The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag or shape on a RC boat and the course side of the nearby mark of the course. For Saturday courses, Mark L will not necessarily be as shown on the diagram.
- 12.2 – Finish Time Cards for each race (Attachments A & B) are included with these sailing Instructions. Please fill out the appropriate card at the end of each race and turn it in to the Race Headquarters within sixty (60) minutes after docking.
- 12.3 – In the absence of the RC, boats shall take their own time when passing within fifty (50) yards of the finishing mark on the required side and at a point that is at a right angle to the last leg of the course. This time shall then be reported to the RC as in 12.2

13 - Time Limit — will be 1600 hrs. Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35.

14 - Protests —

- 14.1 – Protests shall be written on forms available at the Boyne City Marina following Saturday's race and at Charlevoix Yacht Club following Sunday's race and shall be delivered to Race Headquarters within sixty (60) minutes after the RC Boat docking time. This time will be posted on the Official Notice Board and broadcast on VHF Channel 78.
- 14.2 – Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible.
- 14.3 – Protest notices will be posted within twenty (20) minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties to a hearing or named as witnesses.

15 - Scoring —

- 15.1 – Two (2) races are scheduled and one (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 – A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS App A2.
- 15.3 – Handicap fleets will be scored using the PHRF Time-On-Time Method ($HC=650/[PHRF+550]$).
- 15.4 – Non-displacement fleets will be scored using the Portsmouth Rating System.
- 15.5 – RRS App A 8.2 is changed to provide that when a tie still remains, it will be broken in favor of the boat with the lowest combined overall corrected time for the regatta.

16 - Safety — Yachts leaving the racing area prior to finishing are requested to advise the RC by VHF channel 78 or cell phone # 231-218-3700.

17 - Appropriate Conduct —

- 17.1 – Littering on the race course or in the marina shall be grounds for disqualification.
- 17.2 – Swimming in the Boyne City Marina shall be grounds for disqualification.
- 17.3 – Other inappropriate conduct shall be grounds for disqualification.

18 - Radio Communication — Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

19 - Prizes —

- 19.1 – Flags will be awarded to yachts in each fleet placing first, second and third on each day.
- 19.2 – Trophies will be awarded to yachts in each fleet placing first, second and third for the overall regatta.

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