

Wayzata Yacht Club (WYC) - Apostle Islands Station (AIS) Around the Islands Race, July 1st 2017

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules.

- 1.1 The races will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The following Racing rules will be changed as follows.
 - **1.2.1** SI 4.2 changes RRS Race Signal AP.
 - **1.2.2** SI 7.3 changes RRS 32 and RRS 33
 - 1.2.3 SI 8.3 changes RRS 29.1.
 - **1.2.4** SI 10.1 changes RRS 44.1.
- **1.3** [DP] and [NP]
 - 1.3.1 The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NOR or SIs means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the PC, be less than disqualification. SI 1.3.1 changes RRS 64.1.
 - 1.3.2 The notation '[NP]' in a rule in the NOR or SIs means this rule may not be protested by a boat. SI 1.3.2 changes RRS 60.1(a).

2. Notice to Competitors.

2.1 Official notices to competitors will be posted at the dock office of the Apostle Islands Marina (107 Manypenny Ave, Bayfield) and the relevant Yachtscoring event page.

3. Changes in Sailing Instructions.

- 3.1 Changes to the SIs will be posted on the Official Notice Board and the relevant Yachtscoring event page by 0800 on the day of the race; changes to the SIs will also be announced approximately two hours prior to the warning signal by the RC on VHF Radio Channel 72.
- 3.2 In accordance with RRS 90.2(c) the RC may alter these SIs by hailing the fleet and making the change on VHF CH 72.

4. Signals made ashore

- **4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the RC Boat at dock at the Blackhawk Boat Yard (East Dock Road, Bayfield)
- 4.2 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. Schedule.

- 5.1 Skippers meeting at 0800 1st July at the Bayfield Inn. Attendance from a representative from each boat is mandatory.
- 5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal will be 1000 on Saturday 1st July 2017.

6. Marks

- **6.1** Marks may be:
 - **6.1.1** Islands, and
 - **6.1.2** Government navigation marks/buoys.
- 6.2 All boats will obey all government navigation marks/buoys along the rhumb line while racing, except if the navigation mark/buoy is a mark of the course, when such navigation mark/buoy may be rounded pursuant to RC instructions.

7. The Course

- 7.1 The course is clockwise around the Apostle Islands. Start in front of Bayfield, sail and round Red Cliff buoy to port, then Devil's Island to starboard, then Outer Island to starboard, then Michigan Island to starboard, then Grants Point Buoy to starboard, and then finish (as described in SI 9) off the break wall at the end of Rittenhouse Ave in Bayfield WI.
- 7.2 The course can not be changed of shortened. This changes RRS 32 and 33.

8. The Start

- **8.1** The race will be started using RRS 26.
- 8.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on an RC Signal Boat at the starboard end and course side of the port-end starting mark.
- **8.3** When signaling an individual recall, RC shall announce via radio the sail number(s) of boat(s) identified as being OCS. Failure or delay to hear or provide announcements will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 29.1.
- 8.4 Any boat using a sail with an alternate sail number will report the proper sail number in writing to the RC, no later than 2 hours prior to the warning signal for the first race of the day, or by VHF hail to the RC no later than 30-minutes prior to the warning signal [DP].

9. The Finish

- 9.1 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.
- 9.2 All finishing boats shall take their own GPS time, noting where possible, the sail number of boats finishing ahead and behind them
- **9.3** 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.

9.4 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 Pavilion no later than 1400 on Sunday July 2nd. Boats still racing at that time should deliver finish times at the first opportunity after finishing to the Pavilion.

10. Penalty System.

- **10.1** RRS Appendix V1 is in effect. This changes RRS 44.1.
- 10.2 RRS Appendix T Arbitration will be in effect for this event.

11. Time Limits

11.1 There is no time limit.

12. Protests and Request for Redress

- 12.1 Protest forms will be available at the official notice board.
- 12.2 Protests must be delivered to RC PRO or Chief Judge within the protest time limit.
- 12.3 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished.
- 12.4 Notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board as soon as reasonably possible of receiving 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.
- 12.5 Failure to hear radio communication required by the RC by SI 3.1, SI 3.2, and SI 8.3 shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

13. Scoring:

- 13.1 This event shall be scored using the LMPHRF Time-on-Time method ("ToT").
- 13.2 ToT "B" factor of 550 (average conditions) shall be used.

14. Safety Regulations.

- **14.1** Each boat must comply with the following:
 - **14.1.1** All U.S. Coast Guard and other applicable governmental laws, rules and regulations [NP] [DP].
 - 14.1.2 The 2017 Nearshore Safety Equipment Requirements as modified by AIS, which can be found at www.wyc.org/ais and the Yachtscoring.com page for this event.
 - **14.1.3** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. The Race Committee will monitor VHF CH 72.



14.1.4 Lifejackets

- 14.1.4.1 At the Start and Finish, each person on board each boat is required to wear a USCG or ISO approved personal flotation device (PFD). The use of an ISO approved PFD does not negate the USCG requirement that each vessel must have at least one (1) USCG approved Type III or V life jacket for each person on board. Belt pack style PFD's are not allowed.
- **14.1.4.2** For any boat with two (2) individuals on board, both individuals shall wear a life jacket at all times.

15. Radio Communication

- 15.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication not freely available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephone, tablets, computers, and similar devices [NP] [DP].
- 15.2 Boats are reminded of their obligation to maintain a radio watch on VHF Channel 16 to be compliant with USCG regulations.

16. Prizes.

16.1 1st, 2nd & 3rd place trophy prizes will be awarded. Additional trophy prizes or awards may be awarded at the discretion of the Trophy Chairperson.

17. Disclaimer of Liability

- 17.1 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 activity(ies) entirely at his/her own risk. See RRS 4, "Decision to Race"
- 17.2 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



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- 17.3 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.
- 17.4 Participant releases all Race Organizers from any Claim on account of giving assistance, aid, care, advice, rescue, first aid, treatment or services.
- 17.5 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.

18. Insurance

18.1 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

19. Publicity and photographer's rights.

19.1 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.