



13th Annual

Mark Madness Regatta

June 17th -18th, 2017

Lake Charlevoix-Boyne City, Michigan

Organizing Authority & Host- Boyne City Yacht Club

Sailing Instructions

Mark Madness Regatta is race one of the Quantum Fresh Water Cup Series. Please visit <http://www.quantumsails.com/qfc> for more information

1-Rules- The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing(RRS)

2-Notice To Competitors- Will be posted on the official notice board located at the Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club.

3-Changes to the Sailing Instructions- Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect. Notices of any changes will also be broadcast on VHG channels 69 & texted to those registered on yachtscoring.com.

4-Signals - Notice of any signals will be broadcast on VHF 69 & texted to those registered on Yachtscoring.com.

5-Schedule of Races-

| <u>Day</u> | <u>Event</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Location/notes</u> |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------|--|
| Saturday, 17th | Competitors meeting | 1000 | Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club |
| | First Warning | 1130 | No Warning Past 1600 hrs |
| Sunday, 18 th | First Warning | 1100 | No Warning Past 1400 hrs |
| | Awards | | ASAP after racing at Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club |

5.1- Races will be sailed back to back with very little time between. Stay close to the starting area when not racing.

5.2- Flag A displayed, with no sound, while boats are finishing means "No More Racing Today".

6-Class Flags- The order for start may differ for each race. Watch for your class flag.

| <u>Fleet</u> | <u>Color</u> |
|--------------|--------------|
| JAM | Pink |
| Spinnaker | Green |
| J22 | Red |

7-Racing Area- See Attachment A

7.1-Circle A- Between Boyne City and Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club

7.2-Circle B- Young State Park/Horton Bay

8-Courses

W4- 4 leg Windward-Leeward course (W,L,W,L)

W6- 6 leg Windward-Leeward Course

T5- 5 leg Triangle Course (Triangle, W, L)

8.1- Courses will have a short weather mark (Ws) and a long weather mark (Wx)

8.2- All marks shall be left to Port

8.3- A Placard designating the course, Compass bearing to the first mark, and distance to Ws and Wx will be displayed on the RC Signal Boat prior to or with the warning signal for each race.

9- Marks- Will be Medium sized cylindrical buoys, Orange or Yellow.

10-Start/Finish-

10.1- The starting/finish 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 buoy on the port end.

10.2-The first warning signal for each race will be preceded by a series of short toots. The same signal will also accompany the lowering of the postponement (AP) and general recall (1.st Sub) flags.

10.3-Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area

10.4-Boats starting later than 5 minutes after their starting signal will be scored Did Not Start(DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS App A.

10.5-Individual and general recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29. The RC will attempt to hail boats whom have not started properly on VHF. The following are not grounds for redress- failure of committee to hail a or all boats; failure of committee to accurately hail one or more boats; failure of a boat to hear its hail; timeliness of the hail; or the order of boats with in the hail.

11-Change of the Next leg of the course- To change the leg of the course, the Race Committee will move the original mark to a new position.

12-Time Limits- This changes RRS 35 and APP 4.1

12.1- The time limit for each race will be 90min. Boats Failing to finish within 90 minutes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without hearing.

13-Protests and Requests for Redress-

13.1- Protest forms will be available at the Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club and shall be delivered there within the protest time limit

13.2-The Protest Time Limit will be 30 min following the finish of the last boat and will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

13.3- Protest notices will be posted 30min of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the tent at Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club.

13.4- On the last day of the regatta, a request to reopen a hearing shall be delivered within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day or no later than 30 min after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.

14-Scoring-

14.1- Seven (7) races are scheduled and one (1) race must be completed to count as a series.

14.2- When fewer than five (5) races have been completed a boats series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.

14.3-The Spinnaker Fleet will be scored using the PHRF Time-on-Time method. The ToT scoring factor will be 650/550.

14.4-The JAM Fleet will be scored using the Portsmouth w/wind Variance.

15-Safety Regulations- The RC's Cell is 231-392-1209

15.1-Please check-in before the first signal each day by sailing past the stern of the RC Signal boat and hailing your sail#.

15.2- A boat that retires from a race or leaves the racing area is requested to notify the RC on VHF, by Cell phone, or by hailing any RC Boat. A boat that subsequently returns to the racing area is asked to check in with the RC Signal boat as in 16.1, via VHF, or cell phone.

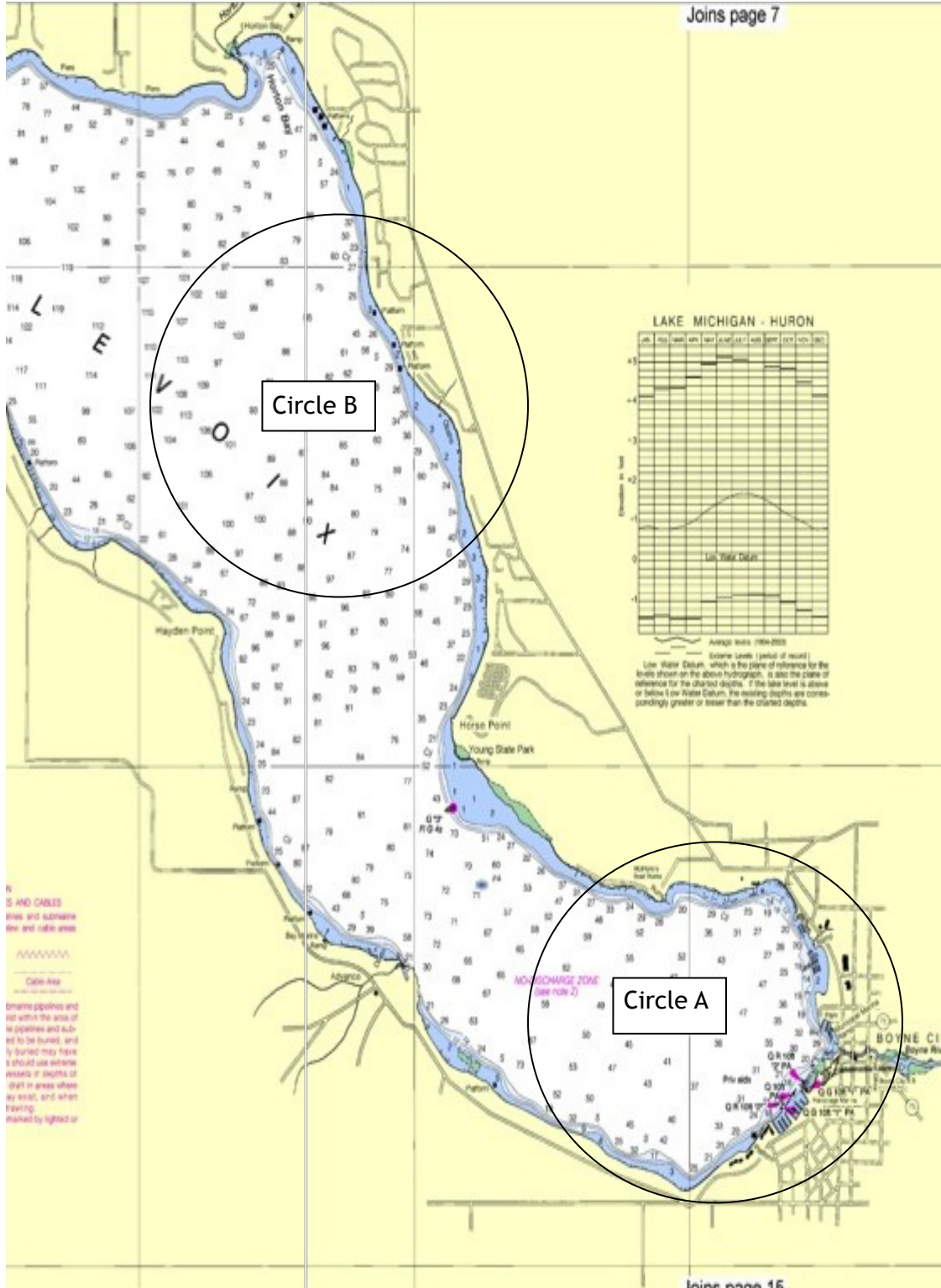
15.3- Swimming in the Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club Marina is NOT permitted and is grounds for disqualification.

16-Radio Communication- Boats shall neither make radio/cell transmissions while racing, nor receive radio/cell communications not available to all boats. The RC may communicate race management information via VHF. (Channel 69)

17-Prizes- Flags will be awarded to the first three (3) boats in each division.

18- Disclaimer of Liability- Competitors participates in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4- Decision to Race. The Organizing authority will not accept any liability for property damage, personal injury, bodily injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

End of Sailing Instructions



Circle B

Circle A