

Little Traverse Yacht Club

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2017

Tuesday Summer Series

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the US Sailing Prescriptions.
- 1.2 Class Rules will apply for J/70's and Alerion 28's unless waived by the Fleet Captain and posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 1.3 All boats competing in any LTYC sponsored series shall carry safety gear conforming to USCG regulations, MDNR and the US Sailing RRS.
- 1.4 Changes to the Rules in compliance with Rule 85.1: The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 These races are open to sailing yachts whose owners or charterers are members of the LTYC.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the LTYC registration forms on www.yachtscoring.com and paying the required entry fee prior to the start of each series.
- 2.3 A valid 2017 LMPHRF Rating or Handicap Certificate is required for all boats racing PHRF.

3. Schedule

- 3.1 The first warning signal shall be at 17:55.
- 3.2 The Tuesday Night Series will be divided into three Classes PHRF A (spinnaker boats rating 119 and below), J/70 and Alerion 28.

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- Start 1 PHRF A
- Start 2 J/70
- Start 3 Alerion 28

4. Courses:

- 4.1 The course will be displayed on the Committee Boat before the warning signal.
- 4.2 The course for PHRF A will be posted on the port side of the Committee Boat. The course for the J70 class will be posted on the stern of the Committee Boat. The course for the Alerion 28 class will be posted on the starboard side of the Committee Boat.
- 4.3 The course may be indicated as a sequence of letters designating permanent LTYC marks (as shown on the LTYC race buoy location chart). The background color indicates direction of “rounding,” — red for port roundings, green for starboard roundings. If the course includes a temporary mark, it will be indicated by the letter “X”.
- 4.4 The course may be windward/leeward with from two to seven legs. Such course will be designated by a “W” followed by the number of legs. For example, “W4” indicates four legs: windward, leeward, windward, and leeward finishing downwind. Windward/leeward courses will use temporary marks as the weather mark, and the starting pin as the leeward mark. A windward/leeward course will be sailed with marks (other than the finish mark on a downwind finish) left to port. The finish line shall be between the RC boat and a mark.

5. Radio Communications:

All racing yachts shall monitor the official LTYC Race Channel, VHF 73. Radio communications may be transmitted as early as 1645 hrs.

6. Starting Times and Sequence:

- 6.1 Races will be started by using Rule 26. The first Warning Signal shall be 17:55 but may be postponed by the Race Committee.
- 6.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other classes.
- 6.3 Class flags will be displayed by the Committee Boat as follows:

Start 1 PHRF A – Pink Flag
Start 2 J/70 - Green Flag
Start 3 Alerion 28 – Blue Flag
- 6.4 The warning signal for the first start will be at 1755 hours.
- 6.5 If there is a general recall of a class, the class recalled shall start following the start of all other classes.
- 6.6 The Race Committee may change or shorten the Course by radio notification. This changes rules 32 and 33.

7. Individual Recalls:

In addition to the display of code flag X and one sound signal, the Race Committee may attempt to hail the yacht’s sail number by loud hailer and/or radio, but is under no obligation to hail or to be heard.

8. Time Limit:

If one or more boats of a class finish within the time limit, the race counts for all boats in that class. The time limit is two hours to finish for all classes.

9. Scoring:

The low point scoring system found in Appendix A of the RRS will apply.

10. Protests:

A yacht intending to protest shall (unless circumstances make it impossible) inform the Race Committee aboard the Committee Boat of her intent at the time of her finish.

All protests should be submitted on the U.S. Sailing Protest Form available at the LTYC Clubhouse. Protests must be submitted to either the Race Committee or inserted in the "Protest" container at the LTYC within one (1) hour of the docking of the Race Committee boat. If possible, the protest will be heard very shortly after the protest is filed.

11. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for the material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the races.

12. Code of Conduct

Each yacht owner is solely responsible for the conduct of his crew, before, during and after racing, afloat and ashore. Any questions, concerns or feedback in regard to the Race Committee or other race related issues should be directed solely to the Sailing Committee Chairman. Conduct deemed unbecoming to a yachtsperson may result in disciplinary action and possible disqualification.