



2013 Mark Madness Regatta

Saturday/Sunday – June 8th & 9th

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 & The Lake Charlevoix Cup Series. Please visit the links below for more information —

<http://www.boynecityyachtclub.com/charlevoixcup.html>

<http://www.quantumsails.com/qfc>

- 1 - **Rules** — The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS)
- 2 - **Notices to Competitors** — will be posted on the official notice board located at the Boyne City Marina Lighthouse.
- 3 - **Changes To 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. Notice of any changes will also be broadcast on VHF Channels 69 & 72 & texted to those registered on yachtscoring.com.
- 4 - **Signals Made Ashore** — Signals made ashore will be displayed at the BC Marina Lighthouse. Notice of any such signals will also be broadcast on VHF Channels 69 & 72 & texted to those registered on yachtscoring.com.

5 - Schedule Of Races —

DAY	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION/NOTES
Saturday, 9th	Competitors Meeting	0930 hrs	Boyne City Marina Pavilion
	First Warning	1130 hrs	
Sunday, 19th	First Warning	1100 hrs	no warning past 1400 hrs
	Awards Ceremony	ASAP after racing	at the Boyne City Marina Pavilion

5.1 - Races will be sailed back to back with very little time in 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 of starts may differ for each race. Watch for your class flag.

Fleet	Class Flag	Race Circle	Channel	Weather Mark
Lightning	Lightning	A	69	Ws
E Scow	Green	A	69	WI
CRAM	Purple	A	69	WI
Spinnaker	Yellow	B	72	WI
JAM	White	B	72	Ws

7 - Racing Areas — See Attachment A.

7.1 - Circle A will be a 1.5 mile circle close to Boyne City.

7.2 - Circle B will be a 2.0 mile circle near Young State Park/Horton Bay.

8 - The Courses — (see Attachment B) will be Windward/Leeward or Triangle and designated as follows —

W - Three (3) Leg Windward/Leeward (windward, leeward, windward)

L - Four (4) Leg Windward/Leeward (windward, leeward, windward, leeward)

T4 - Four (4) Leg Triangle (triangle, windward).

T5 - Five (5) Leg Triangle (triangle, windward, leeward).

O - Olympic Triangle (triangle, windward, leeward, windward).

8.1 - Both Circle A & B courses will have a short weather mark (Mk Ws) and a long weather mark (Mk WI)

8.2 - All marks shall be left to port, except the finish mark for courses L & T5.

8.3 - A placard designating the course, the compass bearing to the first mark, and the distances to Mk Ws & WI will be displayed on the RC Signal Boat prior to or with the warning signal for each race.

9 - Marks — (further details at skippers meeting)

Circle A - 3 yellow and 1 orange medium size cylinders.

Circle B - Orange and yellow cylinders.

10 - The Start —

10.1 - The starting will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC Signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the leeward mark (Mk3) at 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 (1st 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 five (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 who have not started properly on VHF or loud hailer. The following are not grounds for redress - failure of committee to hail any 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 within the hail

11 - Change Of The Next Leg Of The Course – To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

12 - The Finish —

12.1 - For courses W, T4, and O, the finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange fFlag on a RC boat at the starboard end and the course side of the short windward mark (Mk Ws) at the port end.

12.2 - For course L and T5, the finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a RC boat at the port end and the course side of the leeward mark (Mk3) at the starboard end.

13 - Time Limits — this changes RRS 35 and App 4.1

13.1 - The time limit for each race will be ninety (90) minutes.

13.2 - The Mk 1 time limit will be thirty (30) minutes.

13.3 - Boats failing to finish within thirty (30) minutes of the first boat to finish in their class will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing.

14 - Protests And Requests For Redress —

14.1 - Protest forms will be available at the Boyne City Marina Pavilion and shall be delivered there within the Protest Time Limit.

14.2 - The Protest Time Limit will be ninety (90) minutes following the finish of the last boat on each Race Circle and will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

14.3 - Protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes 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 Marina Pavilion.

14.4 - 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 thirty (30) minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.

15 - Scoring —

15.1 - Seven (7) races are scheduled and one (1) race must be completed to constitute a series.

15.2 - 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.

15.3 - The Spinnaker Fleet will be scored using the PHRF Time-on-Time method. The ToT scoring factor will be 700/550

15.4 - The JAM Fleet will be scored using the Portsmouth DP-N ratings.

15.5 - The CRAM Fleet will be scored using Portsmouth w/ Wind Variance.

16 - Safety Regulations — RC cell #s are 989-737-6087 (Course A) & 231-218-3700 (Course B)

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

16.2 - 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, or via VHF or cell phone.

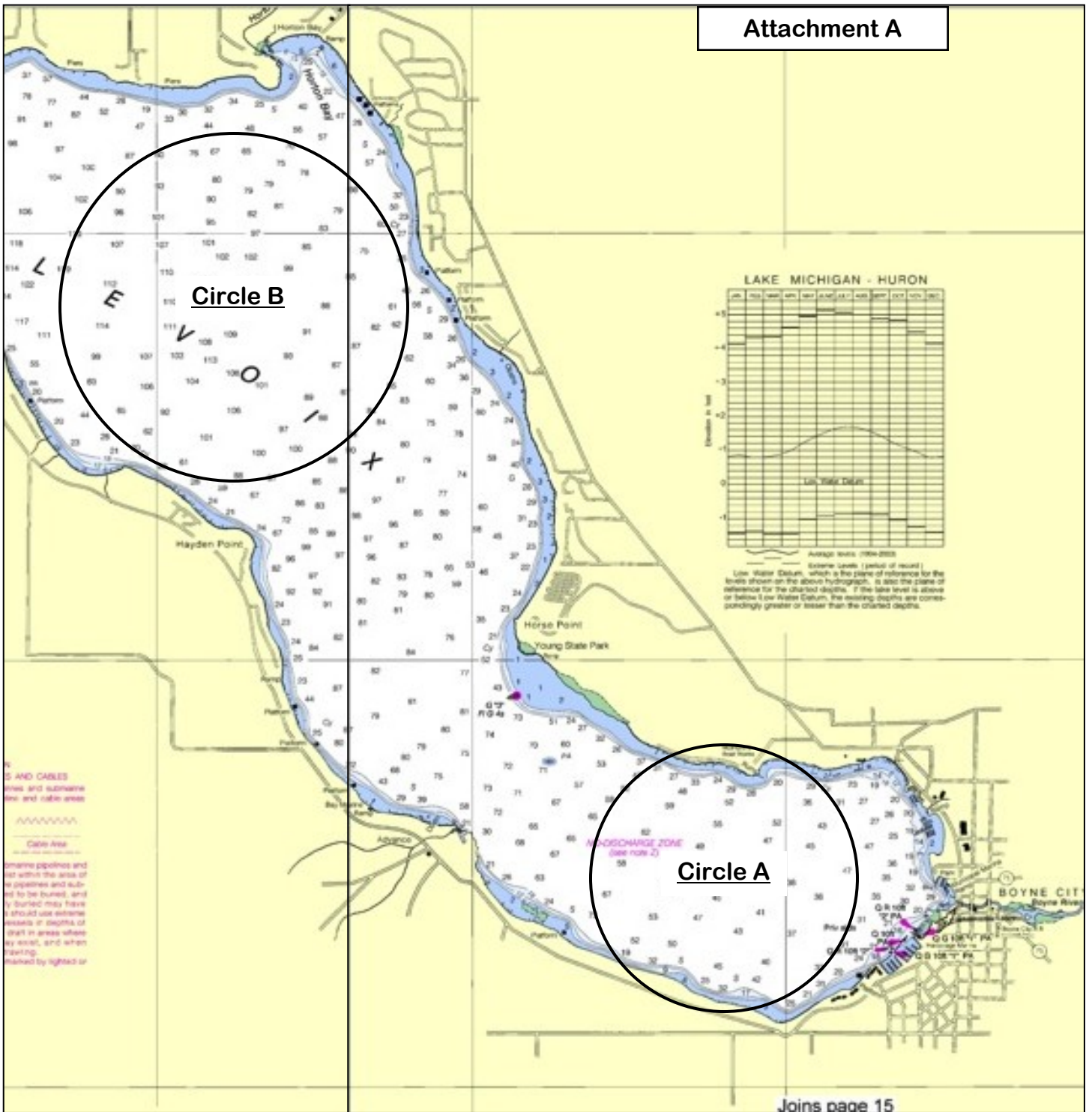
16.3 - Swimming in the Boyne City Marina is NOT PERMITTED and is grounds for disqualification.

17 - 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. (Ch 69 for Circle A & Ch 72 for Circle B)

18 - Prizes — Trophies will be awarded to the winner of each division. Flags will be awarded, to the first three (3) boats in each division.

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

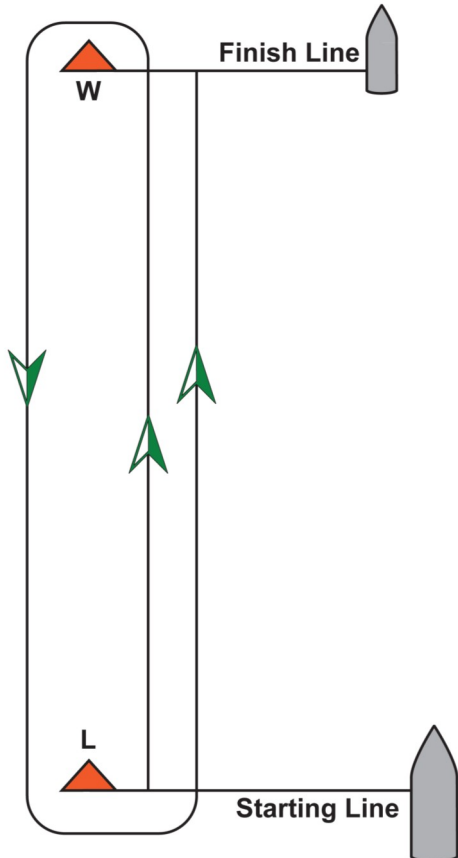
Attachment A



Attachment B - p. 1 of 2

Course W

Start
 W (s or l)
 L
 Finish



Course L

Start
 W (s or l)
 L
 W (s or l)
 Finish

