

Silver Bay Scramble

August 22nd, 2015

Apostle Islands Station of the Wayzata Yacht Club

Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

Skippers Meeting Approximately 0900 at picnic table in front of Apostle Islands
Marina Dock Office
Start Warning signal at approximately 1000

1.0 Rules

Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association, and the PHRF class (except as any of these are altered by these Sailing Instructions, or by the local fleet and filed with the Race Committee Chair prior to the beginning of racing) and these sailing instructions. Wayzata Yacht Club (WYC) races are a category B event. All advertising must be submitted in writing to the WYC board of directors at a regular board meeting for approval, which approval, if given, must be in writing to the boat owner before the boat can display any advertising.

2.0 Entries

- 2.1 Eligible boats may be entered by completing registration with the WYC, the appropriate fleet, and paying all required fees. Guest racers must register on line, and pay the appropriate fee.
- 2.2 AIS Eligible boats are required to have a “Full” or “Skipper” member of WYC on board for each race. This changes Rule 46 and RRS75.1.
 - 2.2.1 Instruction 2.2 to the contrary notwithstanding, a boat may substitute a paid WYC Crew Member for the required Full or Skipper Member in up to three races per season, provided that the prior notice of the substitution is given to the Fleet Captain.
 - 2.2.2 Each paid WYC Crew Member may substitute for a Full or Skipper Member on board no more than three times per season.
- 2.3 Eligibility requirements for boats are:
 - 2.3.1 Each shall be a member of PHRF or other class as the WYC may recognize.
 - 2.3.2 All boats shall carry adequate liability insurance, and provide proof of this insurance upon request.
 - 2.3.3 All boats shall have required safety gear, proper government registration, display licenses, numbers etc. as required by law, and comply with Category 4 safety requirements as published by US Sailing.
 - 2.3.4 All boats shall have a copy of the Racing Rules of Sailing including the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association, or a facsimile that gives the same information.
 - 2.3.5 Any boat using a borrowed sail shall report the proper sail number to the Committee Boat both prior to starting and after finishing each race where a borrowed sail is used.

2.3.6 Apostle Islands boats (AIS) shall hold a valid and current PHRF rating as issued by the Lake Michigan PHRF (LMPHRF) organization. It is the burden of each owner to convey this certificate to the Race Committee prior to racing. In absence of a current and valid rating certificate, temporary ratings may be assigned by the Race Committee and such a rating will be arbitrary and punitive. Temporary ratings are not appealable, and shall govern all races until a valid and current LMPHRF certificate is issued to the race committee.

3.0 Notice to Competitors

Official notices to competitors will be posted on the Notice Board located at the Dock Office of the Apostle Islands Marina.

4.0 Changes in Sailing Instructions

Changes to the Sailing Instructions shall be posted on the notice board two hours prior to the first race of the day or shall be announced by the race committee on VHF 72 prior to the warning signal of a race per RRS89.2

5.0 Signals

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed by the committee boat.

5.1.1 Flag “AP” with two sound signals (one sound signal when lowered) means; the race is postponed. The warning signal will be made in less than one hour after the “AP” is lowered.

5.1.2 Flag “N” over “C” means: Scheduled races are canceled.

6.0 The Course

The starting line will be the extension of Rittenhouse Avenue and a mark set approximately 100 yards off shore. You shall keep Red Cliff Buoy and Sand Island to port and finish off the south end of the west breakwall of the Silver Bay Marina. Be advised that a shallow area of ~9 feet exists just south of the breakwall

7.0 Marks

All boats shall obey all navigational buoys while racing, except if the navigation buoy is a mark of the course, when such navigation buoy may be rounded pursuant to the Race Instructions.

8.0 The Start

Races will be started as follows:

Signal	Flag	Minutes before starting signal
Warning	Yellow	10
Preparatory	Blue	5
Start	Red	0

This changes Rule 26.

8.1 The starting line will be between a staff ashore displaying an orange flag or shape and an Orange Mark located approximately 100 yards off the extension of Rittenhouse Avenue. Rule 27.2 is changed to allow the PRO to adjust the starting line at any time.

8.2 Recalls will be signaled as follows:

Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with Rule 29.1 with one sound signal sounded for each boat recalled. Every attempt will be made to vocally and by VHF radio on channel 72, hail each boat being recalled. This changes Rule 29.1. A boat that does not respond to her individual recall shall be scored OCS (on the course side).

8.3 It is the intention of the race committee to run a pursuit start if winds are greater than 5 knots. In the event of winds less than 5 knots, a single start will be run, and the use of motors is allowed. Each competitor will log the total number of hours the engine is run. This number will be multiplied by a motoring penalty of 1.2 – 1.5 as determined by the race committee and is not protestable. This time penalty will be added to the elapsed time on the race course.

9 Cancellation

9.1 Races will be canceled or postponed when the 5-minute mean wind speed exceeds 24 knots or wind gusts exceed 30 knots as determined by the race judge. If this condition exists 1 hour before the start, signals will be made ashore. If this condition develops less than one hour prior to the start, signals will be made by the committee boat.

9.2 Should the 5-minute mean wind speed exceed 20 knots but not 24 knots the race judge will change the course to a random course. Racers, who hold a valid and current LMPHRF certificate, may radio the race judge and announce their intention to race without spinnakers. The Race judge will notify the scorer after the race so that the appropriate rating is used.

10.0 The Finish

10.1 The finishing line will an imaginary line extending due south from Pellet Island off the West Breakwall of the Silver Bay Marina.

10.2 **If a pursuit start is not run, each boat will log their GPS finishing time and if possible, note the name of the boat finishing ahead and behind.**

10.2.1 The finishing time and total engine running time will be handed into the designated person who will then pass these forms off to the scorekeeper.

11.0 Time Limit

Distance or point-to-point races shall not have a time limit unless announced by the Race Committee prior to the start.

12.0 Protests

12.1 Rule 61.1 (a) is changed to add that a boat intending to protest shall, as soon as possible after finishing or retiring, inform the finish line time collector of her intent to protest and the sail number(s) of the boat(s) being protested. Except in

cases where damage or medical emergency forces a boat to retire, a protest is invalid when this requirement is not met and the Protest Committee shall refuse to hear the protest under rule 63.5.

12.2 Protests shall be written on US Sailing protest forms. Lacking a proper protest form, a protesting boat shall provide in writing the information required under Rule 61.2. Protests shall be submitted, with a case of Protest Chair's favorite wine, to the Time collector, AIS Protest Chair or AIS Fleet Captain.

12.3 Time limit for filing protests shall be one hour after the last boat finishes.

12.4 Hearings will be scheduled for a day and time to be announced after protest form are received by the protest chair.

12.5 Notices of hearings shall be posted on the official AIS Notice Board in Bayfield. Notices of hearings may also be posted on the WYC Internet Site at www.wyc.org. Internet postings, if any, are informational only.

12.6 Postponement of a hearing by a party: a party to a protest may request postponement of a hearing for any reason by contacting the Fleet Captain (listed on the front page of these instructions). Only one postponement by a party will be permitted.

12.7 Withdrawal of a Protest: when desiring to withdraw a protest already filed, the protesting party shall first contact the other party(s) to the protest to seek agreement, then shall contact the AIS Race Judge or AIS Fleet Captain. The Race Judge or Fleet Captain then may elect to approve the request to withdraw in accordance with Rule 63.1.

12.8 Failure to appear: if a party to the hearing does not come to the hearing, the Protest Committee may nevertheless decide the protest in the absence of the party in accordance with Rule 63.3(b).

12.9 Ratings Protest: if a party wishes to protest their rating or the rating of a competitor, the protest form must be submitted to LM-PHRF prior the first race of a series. Any decision of LM-PHRF shall be final.

13 Communications

Boats may communicate with the Race Committee via VHF radio on Channel 72, but all such communications shall be non-binding and unofficial. Visual signals shall prevail.