



2021 GTYC ANNUAL REGATTA THE HOUND DOG REGATTA

ORGANIZED AND HOSTED BY THE GRAND TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB
WEST GRAND TRAVERSE BAY – TRAVERSE CITY MI

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14, 2021

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

*Hound Dog Division – “Windward/Leeward” Courses
for Melges 24 One Design & PHRF Sections*

1 - Rules

1.1 – The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2 – The USSailing Prescription to Rule 63.4 will not apply. The USSailing Prescriptions are available at www.ussailing.org/.

1.3 The Racing Rules will be changed as follows.

a) Race Signal AP – when displayed ashore, ‘one minute’ is replaced by ‘thirty minutes’.

b) b) 44.1– the ‘Two-Turns Penalty’ is replaced by the ‘One-Turn Penalty’, except a situation where RRS Appendix V1 will apply.

c) c) App A2 - A boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores (no throwouts).

d) d) App A4.2 – A boat that does not finish (DNF) a race or retires after finishing (RAF) shall be scored one more point than the last boat to finish in that race.

2 - Notices To Competitors – will be posted on the official notice board located in the foyer of GTYC

3 - Changes to Sailing Instructions – Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before ninety (90) minutes prior to the scheduled warning signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hrs or the end of protest time, whichever is later, on the day before it will take effect.

4 - Signals Made Ashore –

4.1 - Signals made ashore will be displayed from the GTYC flag pole and communicated via VHF Ch 69.

4.2 - When Flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced by ‘not less than thirty (30) minutes’ in RRS. Race Signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signal AP.

5 – Schedule of Races –

Saturday, August 13

0900 hrs, Competitor Meeting, GTYC (optional)

1100 hrs, Earliest possible 1st Warning Signal, additional races follow back to back

1500 hrs, No races started after 3:00 pm

1830 hrs, Awards

Sunday, August 14

1130 hrs, Earliest possible 1st Warning Signal for Melges 24 races *if they are postponed to Sunday*, additional races follow back to back

6 — Sequence & Class Flags

6.1 The starting sequence will be Rule 26

6.2 Order of Sequences

- 1. MELGES 24 — CLASS FLAG: WHITE**
- 2. PHRF — CLASS FLAG: RED**

7 — Racing Area — will be West Grand Traverse Bay south of Red 8.

8 — The Courses —

Course List:

“4” — Four(4) Leg W/L (windward, leeward, windward, leeward)

8.1 - For all courses marks shall be rounded to port, with the exception of the starboard mark of the leeward gate

8.2 - A weather offset mark (W1 - small yellow inflatable ball) will be used. If the offset mark is absent,

8.3 - Leeward gates (L1 & L2 — yellow/green inflatable balls) will be used. If only one mark is present, round to port

8.4 — The courses will be displayed on the transom of the signal boat with the compass heading of the windward mark and the distance to the mark. Courses will be broadcast on VHF 69 as a courtesy.

9 — Marks —

9.1 — Primary marks will be:

Large orange inflatable tetrahedron for the windward mark, with small yellow ball as windward offset

Large yellow inflatable tetrahedron for the alternate (#1) windward mark, with small yellow ball as windward offset

Large green inflatable tetrahedron for the alternate (#2) windward mark, with small yellow ball as windward offset

Orange inflatable cylinder for the start/finish pin

Yellow Green inflatable balls will be used for the leeward gate

10 — The Start —

10.1 — The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange/white checkered flag on the RC signal boat and the orange inflatable start/finish pin

10.2 — A boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored *Did Not Start (DNS)*. This changes RRS A4.1

10.3 — Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area while others are in sequence.

11 — Recalls — Individual Recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1. The RC intends to make an attempt to hail OCS competitors on **VHF channel 69**. The following are not grounds for redress: failure of the RC to hail any or all boats; failure of the RC 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.

11.1 - General Recalls — The section which has been signaled for a general recall will have its next sequence after the last section starting

12 — Change of the Next Leg of the Course — To change the next leg of the course, the RC will lay a new mark. The Race Committee will signal the color of the new windward mark by a flag of the same color, along with the compass heading of the new windward mark

13 — The Finish

13.1 the finishing line will be between a staff displaying a orange/white checkered shape on the signal boat at the Starboard end and the course side of start/finish pin at the port end.

13.2 - In the absence of an RC boat at the finish, boats shall take their own times when their bow crosses a line perpendicular to the last leg and within 50 yds of the finish mark

14 — Time Limits — are as follows —

14.1 - For all courses the time limit for the first boat to finish will be ninety (90) minutes.

14.2 - For PHRF divisions, any boat failing to finish within thirty (30) minutes after the first boat in their fleet sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expired(TLE).

14.3 - For the Melges 24 division, any boat failing to finish within 12 (12) minutes after the first boat in their fleet sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expired(TLE).

14.4— if the first boat fails to reach the first weather mark 30 minutes after the start, the race will be abandoned

15 — Protests And Requests For Redress —

15.1 — Protests shall be filed within the protest time limit at GTYC where forms will be available.

15.2 — The protest time limit will be 60 minutes after the RC (Blue Flag) Signal Boat docks. This time will be posted on the Official Notice Board and will be announced on VHF Channel 69.

15.3 — Notices will be posted within thirty (30) minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Location of hearings TBD.

16 — Scoring —

16.1 — All races for the PHRF classes will be scored using PHRF Time On Time Handicaps. Entrants that do not have a valid LMPHRF certificate will be assigned a rating.

16.2 - Five races are scheduled and one race shall be completed to constitute a series.

16.3 - A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes App A2.

16.4 - A boat that does not finish a race (DNF), time limit expired (TLE), or retires after finishing (RET) will be scored one more point than the last boat to finish in that race. This changes RRS App A4.2

17 — Prizes — will be awarded to first, second, & third place overall for each fleet. Award hats will be provided with a maximum distribution of five hats. If award winners would like additional hats, they may be ordered at their own expense

18 - SAFETY REGULATIONS — Signal Boat cell number is 616-450-6746

16.1 - A boat that retires from a race or leaves the racing area is requested to notify the RC on VHF Ch 69, 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 17.1 or via VHF Ch 69. There will be no penalty for not checking out or back in.

16.2 — The primary communication for all medical emergencies is 911

16.3 - Weather will be monitored via the following applications: “My Radar”, “Storm - Weather Radar”, & “My Lightning Tracker”. Decisions regarding racing by the OA and PRO will be based on these applications.

19 — *The primary communication for all medical emergencies is 911*

20 - Radio Communication — A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. **VHF Channel 69** will be monitored by the RC and they will only respond to competitors who identify themselves.

21 - CODE OF CONDUCT

21.1 Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from any official, and shall not behave so as to bring the event or the sport into disrepute.

21.2 Competitors are expected to comply fully with rule 2 at all times. Abuse or intimidation of other competitors, race officials, or officials of the host club will not be tolerated. All such incidents shall be reported to the Principal Race Officer. Repeated incidents by individuals or teams shall be reported to the protest committee and may be considered gross misconduct (a gross breach of sportsmanship).

22.3 When a competitor and/or crew is found to have committed an act of Gross Misconduct, the penalty shall be a scoring penalty equal to 40% of the entries in the race for each incident. Additionally, the competitor and/or boat that was responsible for the crew may not discard this race in the series.

22.4 Competitors shall not obstruct Race Management vessels as they conduct operations including setting marks, anchoring, and judging the start/finish line. Repeated incidents by individuals or teams shall be reported to the protest committee.

18 — 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.

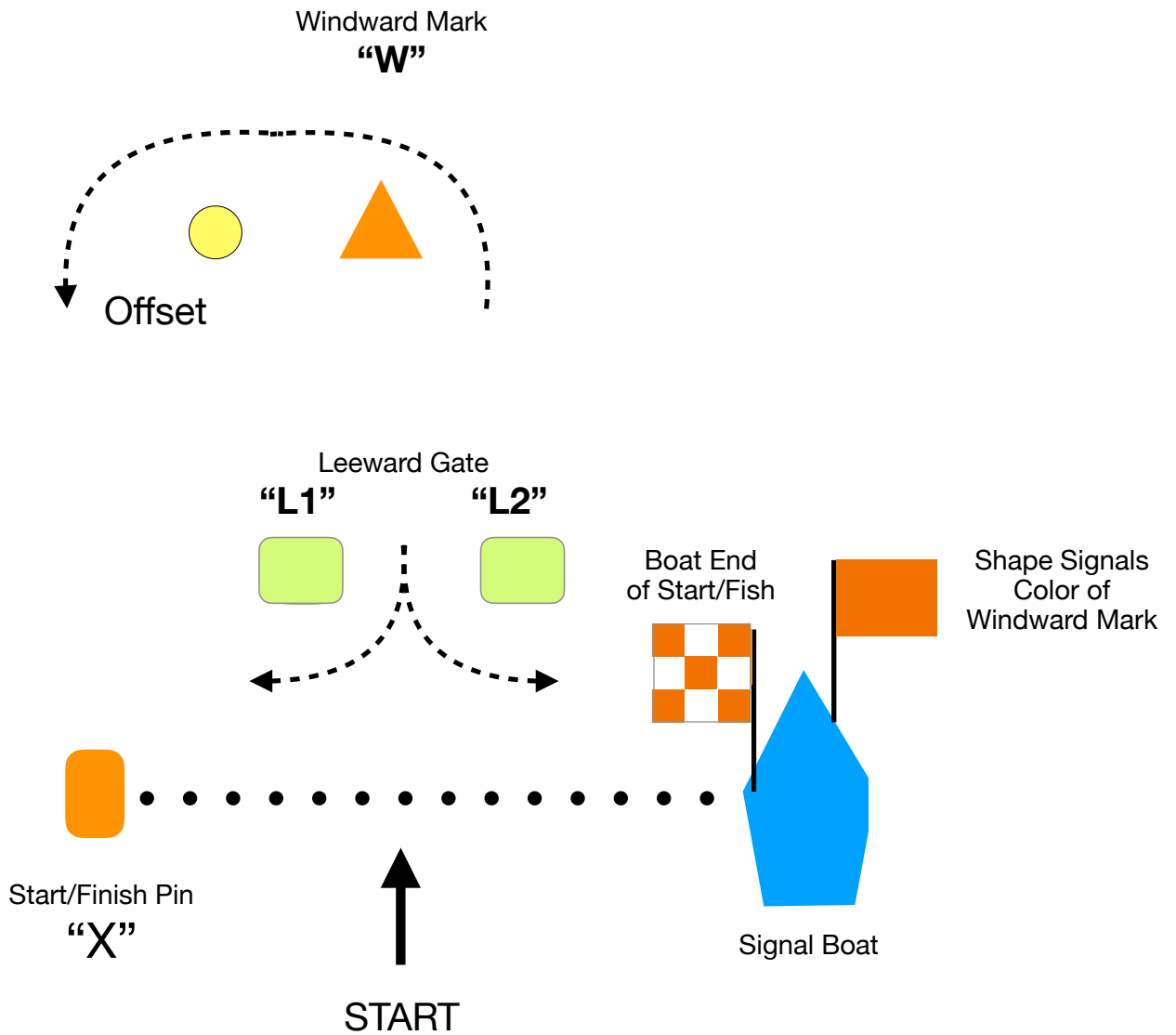
19 - COVID WAIVER - The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. It is believed that an individual can be infected with COVID-19 without their knowledge and be asymptomatic. The Grand Traverse Yacht Club (GTYC) has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19. However, the GTYC cannot guarantee that I or anyone else will not become infected with COVID-19, and participation in an GTYC event could increase the risk of contracting COVID-19. By participating in an GTYC event, I ACKNOWLEDGE the contagious nature of COVID-19 and VOLUNTARILY ASSUME THE RISK that I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by

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Hound Dog Division (PHRF & Melges 24)

Attachment A



	<p>Windward Mark Alternate #1</p>		<p>Shape Signal Color of Windward Mark, Alt #1</p>
	<p>Windward Mark Alternate #2</p>		<p>Shape Signal Color of Windward Mark, Alt #2</p>