



South Haven Yacht Club 2023 Invitational Regatta



June 3, 2023

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organizing Authority: South Haven Yacht Club

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), Midwest Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (MWPHRF) and the class rules of those classes sailing.
- 1.2. The Organizing Authority is the South Haven Yacht Club.
- 1.3. The following US Sailing Prescriptions will not apply: 63.1, 63.2.
- 1.4. RRS Appendix V1 and V2 will apply.
- 1.5. If there is a conflict between the NOR and SI; SI's shall prevail.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the Dining Room of the SHYC.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0930 EDT on Saturday, June 3, 2023.
- 3.2. Changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made on the water by the Race Committee displaying code flag L with the section flag if appropriate. Changes will be announced on VHF channel 69. This changes RRS 90.2 and Race Signals.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Race Committee boat. If a postponement is signaled ashore; the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1. Entry forms and fees must be received at no later than 1800 EDT on Friday, June 2, 2023, via <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15953>
- 5.2. Late entries will require the approval of the OA and payment of a late fee. See NOR.
- 5.3. Skippers Meeting will be Saturday, June 3, 2023, at 0930 EDT at SHYC Dining Room.
- 5.4. The warning signal for the first race is scheduled for 1100 EDT.
- 5.5. It is the intent of the Race Committee to conduct a 3-race regatta. The number of races is subject to weather conditions.
- 5.6. After a long postponement, to alert boats that a race or sequence will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound for at least five minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 5.7. Subsequent races will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race.
- 5.8. No Initial Warning Signal will be made after 1530 EDT.
- 5.9. Flag "A" displayed, with no sound, while boats are finishing means 'No more racing today'.

6. SECTION FLAGS AND BREAKS

- 6.1. MWPHRF section breaks and One Design sections will be available at check in. Handicaps will be scored using the "Time on Time" adjustments.
- 6.2. Sections, section flags and starting order will be posted on the Official Notice Board in the SHYC Dining Room prior to 0930 EDT on Saturday, June 3, 2023, and announced at the Skippers Meeting at 0930 EDT on Saturday, June 3, 2023.
- 6.3. Section flags shall be displayed from the backstay.

7. RACING AREA

- 7.1. The racing area will be open waters of Lake Michigan offshore from the South Haven pierhead.

8. COURSES

- 8.1. The courses for spinnaker classes will be windward leeward with a downwind finish (rounding marks to port) as shown on Attachment A.
- 8.2. The courses for jib-and-main classes will be triangular (rounding marks to port) as shown on Addendum A.
- 8.3. For safety purposes, an offset mark will be placed just leeward of the windward mark. All boats have to leave the offset mark to port after they round the windward mark.
- 8.4. No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing and distance to the first mark.

9. MARKS

- 9.1. Marks will be orange or yellow inflatable marks.
- 9.2. The starting mark will be an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and an orange inflatable mark. The finishing mark will be a blue flag on the Race Committee signal boat and an orange inflatable mark. Start and Finish line will be the same for all Classes.
- 9.3. The offset mark close to the windward mark shall be red.
- 9.4. The offset mark for jib-and-main triangular course will be an orange inflatable mark.

10. THE START

- 10.1. Races will be started by using RRS 26. The warning signal for each succeeding class shall be the starting signal of the preceding class. This amends RRS 26.
- 10.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark.
- 10.3. RRS 30.1 will be in effect at all times and will be applied for every start: "Flag I" does not need to be displayed on the RC mast.
- 10.4. A boat starting later than fifteen (15) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rules RRS Appendix A5.1 and A5.2.
- 10.5. For any boat deemed OCS at the start, the Race Committee will attempt to broadcast her sail number on VHF channel 69. Errors or omissions in courtesy broadcasts are not grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule RRS 62.1(a).

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1. To change the next leg of the course approximately five (5) degrees or less, the Race Committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position. No signal of such change shall be required. This changes rule RRS 33.
- 11.2. To change the next leg of the course more than five (5) degrees, the Race Committee will lay a yellow mark as the new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original orange mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a yellow mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original orange mark.

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1. The finish line will be between the blue flag on the Race Committee boat at the port end and the starboard end finishing mark.

13. TIME LIMITS

13.1. The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Time limit to First Mark	Race Time limit	Finishing Window
20 Minutes	90 minutes	15 minutes

13.2. If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.

13.3. The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place [one][two] more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35 and Appendix A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

13.4. Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

14.1. Protests shall be delivered to the Race Committee within sixty (60) minutes after the Race Committee finish boat docks. The protest time limit and a list of protests received will be posted on the notice board. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after racing at the SHYC.

15. SCORING

15.1. The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A of the racing rules will apply. Each yacht's score shall be the sum of all her races. There shall be no throw outs. This amends rule RRS Appendix A2. PHRF fleet shall race using corrected time on time. One race constitutes a series.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

16.1. Boats shall come within hail of the Race Committee signal boat and be acknowledged prior to the first race.

16.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

16.3 In case of Emergency, Contact Authorities on VHF Channel 16.

17. RADIO COMMUNICATION

17.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and any other mobile data devices.

18. AWARDS

18.1. Awards will be given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each section. Other awards may be given at discretion of the Race Committee.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

19.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 3, 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.

19.2 The 2023 South Haven Invitational Release Waiver must be signed prior to competing.

20. INSURANCE

20.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

20.2 Insurance certificate must be shown at check-in prior to the Skippers Meeting on June 3, 2023.

21. FURTHER INFORMATION

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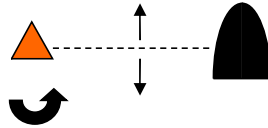
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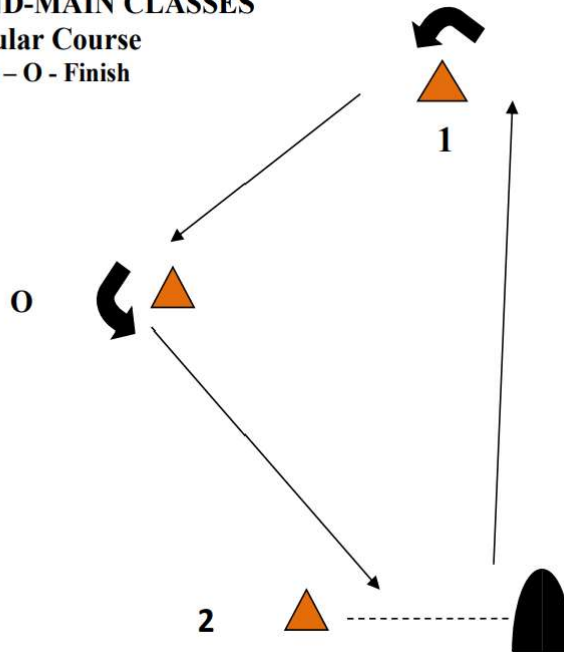
SPINNAKER CLASSES
Windward –Leeward Course
4 Legs
Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – Finish



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JIB-AND-MAIN CLASSES
Triangular Course
Start – 1 – O - Finish



The Start / Finish line will be common for all Classes.