



2024 Commodore's Cup

September 14, 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

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) rules 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. The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while racing or RRS 31." Appendix V will apply.
- 1.5. Any additions or changes will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the dining room of the SHYC) and on <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16591>
- 1.6. If there is a conflict between the NOR and the SI, the SI shall prevail. Neither the NOR or the SI shall change or alter any class rules. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 1.7. Jib and Main shall take exception to the use of spinnakers, asymmetrical spinnakers, cruising spinnakers, staysails or the like. None are allowed. Spinnaker poles, whisker poles and the like are allowed and provided it does not exceed the J dimension of the boat. This excludes RRS 55.2.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. No restrictions.
- 2.2. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

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3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. In the Spin Division both the Owner/Skipper must be a member of the South Haven Yacht Club and be crew on the boat. The Jam division is open to any Jam that raced in such division for the 2024 summer series season.
- 3.2. The regatta is open to PHRF boats with a valid 2024 MWPHRF rating certificate.
- 3.3. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent. Competitors shall be prepared to supply proof of insurance at registration
- 3.4. Eligible boats may enter by completing entry form and the release/waiver by going on <https://yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eID=16591>
- 3.5. Each Boat must have a VHF marine radio on board with channels 16 and 69.
- 3.6. Deadline: Entry forms must be received no later than Friday September 13, 2024 by 1800 EDT. Late entries may be accepted solely at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. Check in will be Saturday, September 14, 2024 from 09:00 to 09:30 EDT at SHYC Dining Room.
- 4.2. Skippers Meeting will be Saturday, September 14, 2024 at 09:30 EDT at SHYC Dining Room.
- 4.3. It is the intent of the Race Committee to conduct 3 complete races per division. Number of races: There will be two concurrent races. Both the Spinnaker fleet and the Jib and Main fleet will be rated and scored under LMPHRF.
- 4.4. The warning signal for the first race is scheduled for 10:55 EDT.
- 4.5. It is the intent of the Race Committee to conduct 3 complete races per division. The number of races is subject to weather conditions. No initial Warning Signal for the starting sequence will be made after 15:30 on Saturday.
- 4.6. Subsequent races will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race.

5. MEASUREMENTS

- 5.1. Each boat racing on a handicap basis shall produce a valid 2024 MWPHRF Rating Certificate at check in.
- 5.2. There is no provision for assignment of ratings to boats without certificate.

6. SECTION BREAKS

- 6.1. Sections and starting order: SPIN to start first and JAM to start second for the 1st Race. Subsequent races will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1. Sailing Instructions will be available on <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16591> and will be available at the skipper's meeting on September 14.

8. THE COURSES AND RACING AREA

- 8.1. The course areas will be in the open waters of Lake Michigan with the starting areas offshore from the South Haven Pier Head. Multiple race courses may be established by the Organizing Authority to suit individual fleet requirements.

9. COURSE

- 9.1. Courses will be windward leeward for spinnaker classes and triangular for jib-and-main classes as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10. PROTESTS

- 10.1. The Protest Committee will have final authority in resolving conflicts of eligibility and/or compliance with entry requirements. This changes RRS 66.

11. SCORING

- 11.1. The Low Point System of Appendix A of the racing rules will apply. Each boat's score shall be the sum of all her races. There shall be no throw outs. This amends RRS A2.1. PHRF fleet shall race using corrected time on time. One race constitutes a series.
- 11.2. Boats scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) will be scored points equal to the number finishing within 30 minutes of the first boat to finish plus one point, not to exceed the total number of boats entered, without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.1, A4.2 and A5.

12. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 12.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats while racing. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and other mobile data devices.

- 12.2 Race Committee radio communication will be on channel 69.

13. AWARDS

- 13.1 Commodore Awards will be presented for a First Place JAM and a First Place Spinnaker.
- 13.2 Winners shall also have their boat name engraved on the Commodore's Award per fleet. The Spinnaker division award will be a Cup and the JAM division awards will be a Trophy.

14. MEDIA AND MEDIA RIGHTS/RESTRICTIONS

- 14.1. By entering this regatta, the owner (or charterer) and crew members of the competing yacht grant, at no cost to SHYC, event sponsors and their respective officers, employees, volunteers and members the absolute right and permission to use their name, voice, image, likeness, biographical material as well as representations of the yachts in any media (being television, print and internet media, including video footage); for the sole

purposes of advertising, promoting, reporting and disseminating information regarding the regatta, boats, event, or sport.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

15.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. (See RRS 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. Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3, which states:

“The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”

16. INSURANCE

16.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

Insurance certificate must be shown at check in prior to the Skippers meeting.

16.2. The Skipper/Owner of each boat participating in the regatta shall be responsible for the behavior of each member of the crew of his/her boat both on the water and while ashore. The destruction of property or the breach of reasonable standards of good sportsmanship by any of those persons to comply with any reasonable request of any Organizing Authority, Race Officer, Regatta Committee member, or their representatives, may result in the disqualification of the boat, and its exclusion from the regatta.

16.3 A signed waiver must be presented at check in prior to the Skippers Meeting.

The waiver can be found on the documents page of Yacht scoring at

<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16591>

17. AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE

17.1 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to amend this Notice. Any amendment will be available on the Official Notice Board located in the Dining Room of SHYC and also on Yacht scoring.

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18. FURTHER INFORMATION

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