# 2019 MELGES 24 CANADIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP



September 20-22 Tecumseh, Ontario



Hosted by the South Port Sailing Club

# **NOTICE OF RACE**

The Organizing Authority (OA) for the regatta is the South Port Sailing Club, and the Canadian Melges 24 Class Association.

# 1 RULES

- **1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of* Sailing (RRS).
- **1.2** The prescriptions of SAIL CANADA will apply, attached as Appendix One.
- **1.3** The current Melges 24 Class Rules will apply, including current amendments.
- **1.5** The Race Committee (RC) may broadcast on VHF radio, but failure to make broadcasts, or failure by a competitor to hear a broadcast shall not constitute grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1
- **1.6** RRS 64.1 will be changed by adding: "A boat found to have broken RRS 55 may be given a warning or a penalty at the discretion of the jury."

### 2 ADVERTISING

**2.1** Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

# 3 ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY, & CLASSIFICATION

- **3.1** The regatta is open to all boats of the Melges 24 class that meet the obligations of the Class Rules and their National Authority. Proof of Class membership and a valid measurement certificate in the boat owners name will be required at registration. The regatta is not limited to only Canadian boats.
- **3.2** Only boats that have completed all registration requirements will be allowed to compete.
- **3.3** All boats will sail as one fleet. There will be no on-the-water separation of Corinthian and open crewed boats.

### 4 SCHEDULE

- **4.1** Note that boats/crews may participate in the regatta, while berthing the boats at clubs other than South Port. Windsor YC (Canadian) and Bayview YC (American) are also open to hosting boats/crews for the regatta. It is the OA's intention that these clubs will be tied into the regatta for things like registration, weigh-in and Sailing Instructions. See the schedule below for more info.
- **4.2** Ten (10) races are scheduled for the regatta.
- **4.3** The OA and the RC reserve the right to modify the schedule due to weather conditions or other causes

# **Event Schedule**

Mon			Activities			
	20-Jul		Early \$250CDN registration ends and \$300CDN registration begins			
Sun	15-Sep		On-line registration closes. \$300 registration ends. \$350 registration			
			begins			
		Regatta officially opens at SPSC with support at WYC and BYC				
			At SPSC	At Windsor YC	At Bayview YC	
Thurs	19-Sep	1700-	Registration, crew	Boat ramp launching at	Registration, crew	
		2000	weigh-in, boat crane	Lakeview Marina.	weigh-in, boat crane	
			launching, BYOB party,	Boat docking at WYC,	launching, bar party &	
			camping sites setup	bar party and bar food	bar food available	
				available		
Fri	20-Sep	1000-	Final registration,	Final registration, crew	Final registration,	
	_	1200	weigh-in and launching	weigh-in	weigh-in and launching	
		1200	All boats afloat and	All boats afloat and	All boats afloat and	
			Skippers meeting	Skippers meeting via	Skippers meeting via	
	_			Skype	Skype	
		1300	Harbour start	Harbour start	Harbour start	
		1400	On racecourse - First Warning signal for Day One			
	_	1700	On race	ecourse - no starts after th	nis time	
		After	BBQ dinners with	Bar and restaurant	Bar and restaurant	
		racing	tickets and campfire	open	open	
Sat	21-Sep	1000	On racecourse - First Warning for Day Two			
		1600	On racecourse - no starts after this time			
		After	BYOB party	Bar and restaurant	Bar and restaurant	
		racing		open - Regatta Party	open	
Sun	22-Sep	1000	On racecourse - First Warning for Day Three			
		1300	On racecourse - no starts after this time			
		After	Haul-out and de-	Ramp-out at Lakeview	Haul-out and de-	
		racing	rigging	Marina	rigging	
		1500	Awards ceremony and	Ceremony joined via	Ceremony joined via	
			event wrap-up	Skype	Skype	
				Safe trip home!		

# 5 REGISTRATION

**5.1** Registrations will be made through the event in Yacht Scoring

(https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=6134)

Item Description	Cost
Regatta registration per boat prior to July 20, 2019	\$250 CDN
Regatta registration per boat between July 20 and Sept 15	\$300 CDN
Regatta registration per boat after Sept 15	\$350 CDN
Friday night South Port Sailing Club BBQ tickets – (At SPSC only)	\$15/person

### 6 MEASUREMENT

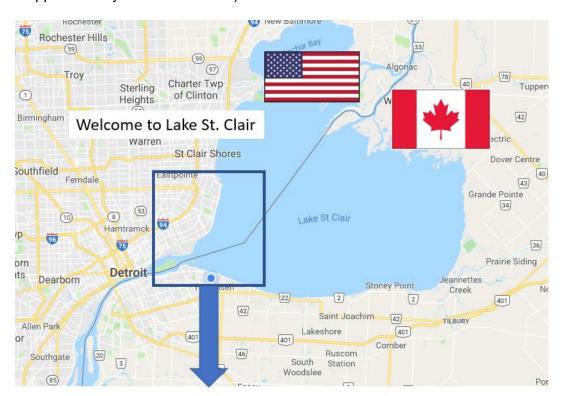
- **6.1** Each boat shall produce a valid Melges 24 Class Measurement Certificate before the close of registration.
- **6.2** Crews will be weighed in at registration
- 6.3 The OA may weigh, measure, register, or inspect any boat and/or her equipment and sails before, during or after the races. During the Championship, checks on conformity with the Class Rules, including measurement may be performed at any time at the discretion of the OA.
- **6.4** All sails shall be measured and stamped by an approved Class measurer <u>before</u> arrival at the Regatta.

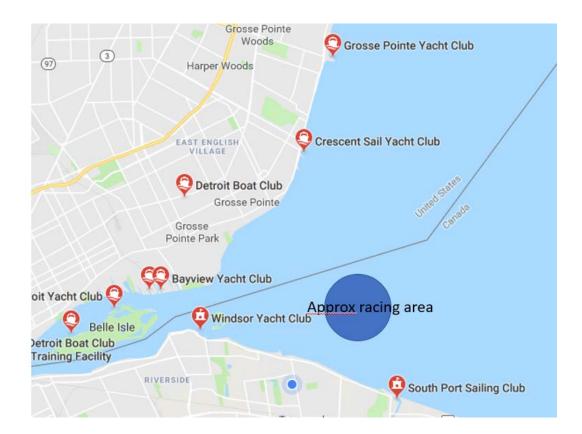
# 7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**7.1** The sailing instructions will be available at registration.

# 8 VENUE

**8.1** The principal racing area will be on Lake St. Clair approximately 3 NM @ 060° from the mark DP5 at the mouth of the Detroit River. (ie. The distance from the WYC to the race area is approximately 3 nautical miles.)





**8.2** The choice of location for racing is at the sole discretion of the OA and RC.

### 9 THE COURSES

- **9.1** The courses to be sailed will be windward-leeward.
- **9.2** Offset marks and leeward gates may be used.

# 10 PENALTY SYSTEM

- **10.1** Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- **10.2** After a race, a boat that may have broken a RRS under Part 2, or RRS 31 while racing, may take a post-race penalty for that incident. The post-race penalty shall be:
  - (a) 20%, if taken before the protest time limit has expired, or
  - (b) 30%, if taken after the protest time limit has expired, but before the beginning of the hearing involving the incident.
- **10.3** An arbitration meeting will be held prior to a protest hearing for each incident resulting in a protest by a boat involving a RRS of Part 2 or Part 3, or RRS 31, but only if each party is represented by a person who was on board each involved boat at the time of the incident.

#### 11 SCORING

- **11.1** One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- **11.2** When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- **11.3** When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

### 12 BERTHING

**12.1** Boats shall be assigned berths at SPSC, WYC or BYC. Boat are requested to berth overnights at the club requested for the duration of the regatta.

### 13 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

**13.1** Boats shall not be hauled out between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the Championship except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the OA.

# 14 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

**14.1** Other than as provided in Class Rule C.6.3, authorizing the use of a mask and snorkel, diving equipment and plastic pools will not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

### 15 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- **15.1** Except in an emergency, 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.
- **15.2** Competitors are encouraged to monitor VHF Channel 69, the RC working channel, particularly during the last minute of the start sequence.

# 16 PRIZES

**16.1** Prizes will be awarded to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> overall boats, to the top Canadian boat, and to the top Corinthian boat at the end of the regatta.

### 17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

**17.1** 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.

# 18 INSURANCE

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

### 19 FURTHER INFORMATION

**19.1** For further information please contact John Marentette at john.marentette@sympatico.ca

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