

NOTICE OF RACE and SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules.

- 1.1. The race will be governed by the *Rules* as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2. **Code of Conduct:** The registered competitor shall be responsible for conduct of the entire crew before, during, and after the Race while at Race related locations for Race related events. See RRS 2 and 69. [DP]
- 1.3. [DP] and [NP]
 - 1.3.1. The notation '[DP]' in a rule in these Notice of Race ("NOR") and Sailing Instructions ("SIs") means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee ("PC"), be less than disqualification. NOR/SI 1.3.1 changes RRS 64.1.
 - 1.3.2. The notation '[NP]' in a rule in the NOR/SIs means this rule may not be protested by a boat. NOR/SI 1.3.2 changes RRS 60.1(a).

2. Entries / Eligibility

- 2.1. The event is open to single handed and double handed monohull boats, both spinnaker and non-spinnaker. Multihull boats are not eligible to participate.
 - 2.1.2. Single handed boats are boats sailed by only one person.
 - 2.1.3. Double handed boats are boats sailed by only two persons.
- 2.2. All monohull boats shall be seaworthy and self-righting sailboats 22 feet in length or greater, with lifelines, a working motor, and enough fuel to motor for 2-hours. All boats may use autopilots and power winches.
- 2.3. The event will follow a pursuit format. Start times will be calculated using a boat's LMPHRF rating with the slowest boats starting first and the fastest boats starting last.
- 2.4. All eligible boats must enter by delivering a completed entry form online or by handing to Organizing Authority ("OA"), together with the required fee(s), prior to *Racing*.
- 2.5. All boats must comply with the safety requirements – see NOR/SI #3.**

3. Safety Regulations. [DP] Each boat **must** comply with the following:

- 3.1. All U.S. Coast Guard and other applicable governmental laws, rules and regulations.
- 3.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee ("RC") as soon as possible via VHF CH 72.
- 3.3. All boats must have a working motor appropriate for the size for the boat.
- 3.4. Each boat must have a functioning VHF marine-grade radio capable of monitoring VHF Channels (CH) 16 and 72.
- 3.5. Each boat must have a functioning GPS receiver capable of displaying a boat's latitude and longitude position.
- 3.6. Each person on board each boat is required to wear a USCG or ISO approved personal flotation device (PFD) while racing. The use of an ISO approved PFD does not negate the USCG requirement that each vessel must have at least one (1) USCG approved Type III or V life jacket for each person on board. Belt pack style PFD's are not allowed.

4. Fees

- 4.1. WYC/AIS Members – FREE (included in fleet dues)
- 4.2. Non WYC/AIS Members - \$30 (nonrefundable)
- 4.3. All entries and fees must be received, acknowledged and accepted by OA prior to *Racing* for entry to be scored.

5. Notices to Competitors

- 5.1. Unless otherwise permitted in these NOR/SIs, official notices to competitors will be posted on the Yachtscoring event page.

6. Changes in Sailing Instructions.

- 6.1. Changes to these NOR/SIs will also be announced approximately 120 minutes prior to the first warning signal by the RC on VHF CH 72.
- 6.2. In addition, in accordance with RRS 90.2(c), RC may alter these NOR/SIs verbally at any time by hailing the boats and making the change on VHF CH 72.

7. Signals Made Ashore

- 7.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the RC boat at or near the docks of the Blackhawk Boat Yard (located at East Dock Road, Bayfield, WI) and announced via VHF CH 72.
- 7.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the Race Signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signal AP.

8. Schedule

- 8.1. 2100 Friday, June 14, 2019 – Each boat's start time will be posted on the Yachtscoring event page.
- 8.2. 0900 Saturday - OA will hold a mandatory Skipper's meeting via radio call on VHF CH 72.
- 8.3. 1100 Saturday - Scheduled warning signal for the first boat.
- 8.4. No warning signal will be made after 1600 hours.
- 8.5. After *Racing* - Social to be announced at Skipper's meeting call.

9. Class Flags

- 9.1. Class Flags will not be used.

10. Measurement

- 10.1. Each boat must have a valid 2019 Lake Michigan PHRF (LMPHRF) certificate.
- 10.2. If a boat does not present a valid LMPHRF rating certificate, a PHRF rating for this boat will be assigned by the OA. The assigned handicap rating will not be subject to protest or request for redress by the boat assigned a handicap; or any other boat. This changes RRS 60.1, 62.1 and 78.2.

11. Venue/Racing Area

- 11.1. Racing will be held in the vicinity of the Apostle Islands.

12. Course

- 12.1. Prior to the race, RC will hail via VHF CH 72 the course, which will be a combination of marks to provide a course, including location of marks, the order in which marks are to be passed, and side on which each mark is to be left.

13. Marks

- 13.1. Marks may be:
 - 12.1.1. Temporary buoys,
 - 12.1.2. Islands,
 - 12.1.3. Government navigation marks/buoys, and/or
 - 12.1.4. Waypoints as defined by latitude and longitude coordinates, that the course requires a boat to leave on a specified side. Any use of a waypoint shall be in accordance with World Sailing Appendix WP.
- 13.2. This NOR/SI #12.1 changes RRS 18 and RRS 28 and adds a definition of a waypoint. Appendix WP can be found at the relevant Yachtscoring event page. All boats will obey all government navigation marks/buoys while racing, except if the navigation mark/buoy is a mark of the course, when such navigation mark/buoy may be rounded pursuant to RC instructions.

14. The Start

- 14.1. Starting area will be in the vicinity of Bayfield and will be announced by RC via VHF CH 72.
- 14.2. Starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on an RC boat and course side of the nearest starting mark.
- 14.3. This race will be a pursuit race. Boats will be given a start time by OA according to their LMPHRF handicap.
- 14.4. RC will use RRS 26 for the first boat to start and all other boats will start afterwards based on their assigned starting time, which will be posted on the Yachtscoring event page. See NORSI #8.1.
- 14.5. RRS 30.1 will automatically be in effect for all starts. The 'I' Flag will be displayed as a preparatory signal from four minutes before the first start and taken down one minute before the last boat(s) to start. This changes RRS 29.1.
- 14.6. When signaling an individual recall, RC will attempt to announce via VHF CH 72 sail number(s) of boat(s) identified as being 'On Course Side' (OCS). Failure or delay to hear or provide announcements will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.
- 14.7. A boat that does not start within 30 minutes after her starting signal will be scored 'Did Not Start' (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 14.8. Any boat using a sail with an alternate sail number will report the proper sail number VHF hail to the RC no later than 30-minutes prior to the first warning signal. [DP]
- 14.9. Competitors are reminded of their Rule 24.1 obligations. Specifically, unless a boat is within four minutes of her start time, she is to stay clear of the starting area. If she is within four minutes of her start time she is racing. [NP] [DP]

15. The Finish

- 15.1. The finish line will be between the orange flag located at the Bayfield Fishing Dock and the course side of a buoy approximately 200 yards from the pier, unless an alternative location is announced by the RC via VHF CH 72.
- 15.2. Boats finishing shall log the sail number of the boat ahead and behind their finish position if available and their GPS time in hours-minutes-seconds.

16. Penalty System

- 16.1. In accordance with RRS 44.1, RRS Appendix V1 will apply.
- 16.2. RRS Appendix T – ARBITRATION will be in effect.

17. Time Limit

- 17.1. Time limit for the race is **5 hours**.
- 17.2. A boat failing to finish within 90 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored 'Time Limit Expired' (TLE) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 17.3. The following will not be grounds for redress:
 - 17.3.2. failure to meet the time limit for the race; or
 - 17.3.3. being scored "TLE".This changes RRS 62.1.

18. Scoring

- 18.1. A boat's score will be the finishing position within the race.
- 18.2. This race consists of 4 classes: (1) Single Handed – Spinnaker; (2) Single Handed – Non Spinnaker; (3) Double Handed – Spinnaker; and (4) Double Handed – Non- Spinnaker.
- 18.3. One combined race (inclusive of all four classes) is scheduled. Each class must have at least one boat finish to constitute a race (per class).

19. Protests and Request for Redress

- 19.1. Protests must be delivered to RC PRO within the protest time limit.
- 19.2. Pursuant to RRS 61.3 and 62.2, the time limit for filing a protest and/or request for redress is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished. The time limit for filing a request for reopening will be 30 minutes after the decision was made. This changes RRS 66.
- 19.3. Notices will be posted on the Yachtscoring event page as soon as reasonably possible of receiving the protest/request for redress to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Where reasonably possible, hearings will be scheduled for the day the protests were received and in the order the protests were received. In unusual circumstances and with sufficient notice, PC may schedule a hearing for a different day, time or order.
- 19.4. Failure or delay to hear or receive radio communication required by the RC in these NOR/SIs (including without limitation NOR/SI #6.1, 6.2, 7.1, 8.2, 8.5, 12.1, 14.1, 14.5 and 15.1) shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.
- 19.5. Boats may rely upon information provided by the RC in the form of a hail(s) transmitted on VHF radio where the competitors are at a position on the race course that does not reasonably allow them to observe the flag(s) or hear appropriate sound signals to communicate an action by the RC.

20. Radio Communication

- 20.1. RC will make all official radio communications on VHF CH 72.
- 20.2. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication, by any device, that is not available to all boats. [DP]
- 20.3. Boats are reminded of their obligation to maintain a radio watch on VHF CH 16 to be compliant with USCG regulations.

21. Prizes

- 21.1. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in single handed and double handed divisions, both spinnaker and non-spinnaker fleets, as adjusted for the number of competitors in a class, at the discretion of the OA.

22. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

- 22.1. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury, including without limitation bodily injury, personal injury, permanent disability, and death. Each person (including without limitation owner, skipper, crew, spectators, officials, volunteers and others) participates in each race, social event, and/or associated activity(ies) entirely at his/her **own risk**. See RRS 4, "Decision to Race".

- 22.2. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY, RACE COMMITTEE, PROTEST COMMITTEE, SPONSORS, HOST CLUB, AND VENUE (AND EACH OF THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, CONTRACTORS, OFFICIALS, MEMBERS, GUESTS, VOLUNTEERS, REPRESENTATIVES AND ALL OTHER PERSONS IN THEIR CAPACITY OF ASSISTING A RACE, SOCIAL EVENT AND/OR ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES) (COLLECTIVELY, "RACE ORGANIZERS") WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE OR LIABLE FOR ANY ACTION, CLAIM OR SUIT (COLLECTIVELY, "CLAIMS") OR LIABILITY, LOSS, DAMAGE, ACCIDENT OR INJURY WHATSOEVER (INCLUDING BODILY INJURY, PERSONAL INJURY, PERMANENT DISABILITY OR DEATH) (COLLECTIVELY, "DAMAGES") TO ANY PERSON, PROPERTY OR BOAT WHETHER CAUSED BY, ARISING OR RESULTING FROM THEIR ACT, ERROR, OMISSION OR ALLEGED NEGLIGENCE OR MISCONDUCT WEATHER OR SEA CONDITIONS, HAZARDS OF ANY KIND, DEFECTS OR FAILURE OF BOATS TO BE SEAWORTHY IN HULL, RIGGING OR GEAR, OR ANY ACTS, ERRORS OR OMISSIONS OR ALLEGED NEGLIGENCE OR MISCONDUCT OF RACE ORGANIZERS OR OTHER PARTICIPANTS OR BOATS WHICH MAY OCCUR DURING OR ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH ANY RACE, REGATTA, EVENT, CRUISE, SPECTATING ACTIVITY, SOCIAL EVENT, RACE FACILITIES OR ANY ACTIVITY SCHEDULED, SPONSORED OR AIDED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY ANY RACE ORGANIZER(S), TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW.
- 22.3. BY PARTICIPATING, EACH PARTICIPANT (AND IN THE CASE OF CHILDREN AND MINORS, EACH PARTICIPANT'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN) FOREVER WAIVES, DISCHARGES AND RELEASES ANY AND ALL **CLAIMS** WHATSOEVER AGAINST **RACE ORGANIZERS** FOR ANY **DAMAGES** TO ANY PERSON, PROPERTY OR BOAT (I) SUSTAINED IN CONJUNCTION WITH OR PRIOR TO, DURING, OR AFTER EACH RACE, SOCIAL EVENT AND ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES; OR (II) ARISING, RELATING OR RESULTING FROM USE OF RACE FACILITIES OR PARTICIPATION IN ANY RACE, SOCIAL EVENT OR ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW.
- 22.4. PARTICIPANT RELEASES ALL RACE ORGANIZERS FROM ALL **CLAIMS** AND **DAMAGES** ON ACCOUNT OF GIVING ASSISTANCE, AID, CARE, ADVICE, RESCUE, FIRST AID, TREATMENT OR SERVICES.
- 22.5. OWNERS AND SKIPPERS OF ALL PARTICIPATING BOATS ARE REQUIRED TO INFORM ALL CREWMEMBERS OF THIS DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND **RELEASE OF LIABILITY** AS A CONDITION OF ENTRY.
- 23. INSURANCE**
- 23.1. All boats must maintain Liability Insurance in full force and effect during *Racing* which will include a General Liability policy written by a reputable insurance company insuring the owner and any operators against liability for bodily injury in limits of not less than \$300,000 and for property damage of not less than \$100,000. Each boat will present proof of insurance upon OA's request.

24. PUBLICITY AND PHOTOGRAPHER'S RIGHTS

- 24.1. As a condition of participation, each participant (on behalf of him/herself and their children and minors) grants OA, sponsors and their designated photographers the perpetual, irrevocable right, license and permission to use, publish and distribute the participant's name, photos, video, images and statements of them and their boat and crew in all forms and media worldwide (including without limitation Internet) for any purposes whatsoever (including without limitation advertising, promotions, sales of pictures, etc.) without compensation or further permission.

25. Further Information

- 25.1. Organizing Authority ("OA") and host club is the Apostle Island Station of the Wayzata Yacht Club. For further information, contact AIS Fleet Captain, David Crum, by emailing ais@Q-iii.com or calling 612.804.2390