

**LAKE HURON OFFSHORE ONE DESIGN (LHOOD)**  
**AUGUST 30<sup>th</sup> – SEPTEMBER 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013**  
**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR FRIDAY AUG 30<sup>th</sup> Races**

**1. RULES**

- 1.1. The race will be governed by the “rules” as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (US Sailing), national authority will apply.
- 1.3. Boats shall conform to the class rules for which they are competing.
- 1.4. Each yacht competing in this race must also complete separate registrations for the Saturday Friendship and Sunday Memorial races.

**2. ENTRIES**

- 2.1. Boats shall be entered by completing registration form or signing up on [www.yachtscore.com](http://www.yachtscore.com) per Section 5.
- 2.2. Yachts must register for each race day individually.
- 2.3. Only yachts with established and recognized One-Design Classes may compete in this regatta.

**3. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS**

- 3.1. Notice to competitors will be posted on [www.yachtscore.com](http://www.yachtscore.com) and the official regatta notice board located at PHYC. Notices may also be posted on the race information board at SYC as a courtesy. Any such notice or absence of notice shall not be relied upon as official.

**4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 4.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

**5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the PHYC flagstaff.
- 5.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 90 minutes’ in the race signal AP.

**6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

- 6.1. Skipper meeting will be held at PHYC at 0830, Friday August 30<sup>st</sup>
- 6.2. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Friday is 1100.
- 6.3. See specific sailing instruction for Saturday & Sunday Races for scheduled warning signals.

**7. MARKS**

- 7.1. Mark #1 will be an orange inflated pyramid. Starting Mark, Mark #2 and Finishing Mark will be Mark F that is a 4’ diameter yellow ball marked with black letters.
- 7.2. Marks that are damaged, missing, or substantially off-station may be replaced by an orange tetrahedron, or an object displaying flag M in accordance with rule 34.
- 7.3. A green inflatable pyramid may be used as a limit mark for the race committee boat.

**8. COURSE**

- 8.1. The designated course length to the windward Mark #1 will be approximately 1.0 to 1.5 miles, but will vary dependent upon wind strength. The distance for each race will be approximately 4.0-6.0 miles.
- 8.2. All marks shall be rounded to port.
- 8.3. No later than the warning signal, the race committee boat will display the approximate compass bearing and distance from the RC boat to Mark #1. Changes to the position of Windward Mark #1 will be displayed from the Race Committee Boat accordance with RRS 33.
- 8.4. All classes will complete the Course, Start -1-2-1-Finish.

## **9. THE START**

- 9.1. Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 9.2. The race committee will display the corresponding number flag for each start. This changes rule 26.
- 9.3. The starting line will be between a staff displaying the orange flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the F mark at the port end.
- 9.4. The starting order for each race will be displayed with splits.
- 9.5. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 9.6. The starting area extends 300 feet behind the starting lines.
- 9.7. When a general recall for a class has been signaled, the start for the recalled class will be moved to the end of the starting order that is in process, and the starting order for the other classes will remain the same. This changes RRS 29.2.

## **10. THE FINISH**

- 10.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying the orange flag on the race committee boat at the port end and F mark at the starboard end as approaching the finish.

## **11. TIME LIMITS**

- 11.1. The time limit is 2 hours after the class starting signal.
- 11.2. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in their class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.
- 11.3. One boat in a class must finish within the time limit for a race to be scored.
- 11.4. Boats that do not finish within the time limit will be scored one more than the number of finishers in their class. This changes rule A4.2.

## **12. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 12.1. Protest forms are available at the PHYC clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the Race Chairman or their designate within the appropriate time limit.
- 12.2. For each class, the protest time limit is 3 hours after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 12.3. Notices of protests filed will be posted 30 minutes after time limit to file after the race. Parties will be notified by the Race Chairman as to the time and location of the protest hearings.

## **13. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 13.1. Each boat racing, depending on country of registration, shall comply with US or Canadian Coast Guard requirements.
- 13.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

## **14. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

- 14.1. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

## **15. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 15.1. The Race Committee may monitor and use VHF 69 to hail sail numbers of infringing yachts. Failure to do so will not be grounds for redress.

## **16. SCORING**

- 16.1. The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.
- 16.2. There are no throw outs.
- 16.3. One race may constitute a series.

## **17. AWARDS FOR THE LHOOD CLASSES**

- 17.1. The total score of all races from Friday, Saturday and Sunday will determine the top three finishers for the overall LHOOD Championship in each class.