



South Haven Yacht Club

2024 Race to the Rhumbline

Friday June 7, 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 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.
- 1.3. Appendix T1 will apply. The first two sentences of rule 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 rule 31."
- 1.4. RRS Appendix V1 and V2 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=16592>
- 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 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.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The series is open to PHRF boats with a valid 2024 MWPHRF rating certificate. The series is also open to One Design boats for competition in separate sections without the requirement of a valid MWPHRF rating certificate if four or more entries are received and four or more are present for racing at commencement of Registration. One Design boats on One Design Classes failing to meet the minimum number of entries may race in an assigned PHRF section provided they present a valid 2023 MWPHRF rating certificate at registration. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form, Release/Waiver together with the required fee by going on <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16592>
- 3.2. Entry fees are \$10.00 for all participants.
- 3.3. Deadline: Entry forms and fees must be received no later than 1800 June 6, 2024 EDT. Late entries may be accepted solely at the discretion of the OA.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. Registration will be prior to June 6, 2024 on <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16592>
- 4.2. Skippers Meeting will be Friday, June 7, 2024 at 1800 EDT at SHYC Dining Room.
- 4.3. The warning signal for the first race is scheduled for 1900 EDT. It is the intent of the Race Committee to conduct one complete race.

5. MEASUREMENTS

- 5.1. Each boat racing on a handicap basis shall produce a valid 2024 MWPHRF Rating certificate at check in. There is no provision for assignment of ratings to boats without certificates.
- 5.2. Each boat racing in a One Design section shall produce a valid One-Design measurement certificate at check in.
- 5.3. Crew weigh-ins for One Design fleets, if required by fleet rules, will be conducted by each One Design fleet requiring crew weigh-ins.

6. SECTION BREAKS

- 6.1. MWPHRF section breaks and One Design sections will be available at the Skipper's Meeting. Handicaps will be scored using the "Time on Time" adjustments.
- 6.2. Sections and starting order: SPIN to start first and JAM to start second.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1. Sailing Instructions will be available at the Skippers Meeting and on <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16592>

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. The finish line will be at the St Joe pier heads with each boat taking their own time and reporting them back to the Regatta committee chair by 9:00 am June 8, 2024. Please see SI's for method on to report times.

9. COURSES

- 9.1. Courses will be from South Haven to St Joe 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 A4 of the racing rules will apply.
- 11.2. PHRF fleet shall race using corrected time on time.
- 11.3. Boats scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) will be scored points equal to the number finishing within 30 minutes of the first boat to finish in its section plus one point, not to exceed the total number of boats entered in that section, 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 nor receive radio communications not available to all boats while racing. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and other mobile data devices.

13. AWARDS

13.1. Awards will be given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each section.

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 incidence or the equivalent.
- 16.2. Insurance **certificate must be shown at check-in prior the Skippers Meeting.**
- 16.3. 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.
- 16.4 **A signed waiver must be presented at check in prior to the Skippers Meeting.**
The waiver can be found on the documents page of
<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?elD=16592>

17. AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE

17.1 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to amend this Notice. Any amendment will be posted on Official Notice Board located in the SHYC dining room and will be available on <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?elD=16592>

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

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