

The 2021 Invitational Mills Trophy Race

June 11-12, 2021

Organized under the Authority of
The Mills Trophy Race Committee, Toledo Yacht Club, and Storm Trysail Club
Toledo, Ohio, USA

NOTICE OF RACE

1 DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 The notation (NP) in a rule means that a boat or the Race Committee may not protest for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a) and 60.2 (a).
- 1.2 The notation (DP) in a rule means that a boat may be given a Discretionary Penalty for breaking that rule (see RRS 64.6).

2 RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing* and *Class Rules on file with the Mills Trophy Race Committee*. **NOTE:** US Sailing's US Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER, effective 1/1/2021 as amended by the Mills Trophy Race Committee) governing minimum equipment and accommodations for US Near Coastal events will apply.
- 2.2 The US SAILING Prescriptions to rules 60.3, 63.2 and 63.4 shall not apply.

3 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to boats of the Multi-Hull, PHRF, JAM, Double-Handed and Cruising/Classics classes. See Section 12 for ORC dual-scoring details on the Mills Trophy Course.

The Mills Trophy Race is by invitation to boats owned by or under charter to members of yacht clubs or yachting associations affiliated directly or through regional associations with US Sailing. The provision for US Sailing affiliation will be waived for yachts of foreign registry.

Competing vessels must be a minimum of 22 feet LOA. All single-hulled vessels shall be self-righting, enclosed cabin sailing vessels with water tight self-bailing cockpit or positive flotation conforming with US Sailing's US Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER, effective 1/1/2021 as amended by the Mills Trophy Race Committee) governing minimum safety equipment, accommodations, life lines, and Safety at Sea requirements.

- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form together with the required fee, at [Yacht Scoring](#) by Friday June 4, 2021.
- 4.3 Late entries will be accepted under special circumstances approved by the Race Committee and with a \$35.00 surcharge.
- 4.4 All Entries must be made on-line using the Official Entry Forms and be accompanied by a valid Rating Certificate and credit-card paid entry fee.
- 4.5 Entries must be received by June 4, 2021.
- 4.6 Each individual competitor may, with the agreement of the Mills Race Committee, display advertising on clothing and personal equipment without restriction.

- 4.7 Advertising chosen and provided by the Mills Race Committee may be displayed on hulls, spars and sails without restriction except on the spaces reserved for identification by Appendix J of the Racing Rules and under Regulations 20.5 & 20.9.
- 4.8 Each yacht must conform to the current US Sailing's US Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER effective 1/1/2021 as amended by the Mills Trophy Race Committee) governing minimum equipment and accommodations for US Coastal events which will apply.
- 4.9 Racing yachts shall carry corresponding numbers on mainsails, spinnakers, storm trysails and all overlapping headsails whose LP measurement exceed 130%. Note: Reflective boat ID #'s will be required to be attached tightly at four corners and displayed aft of the beam (midships) on the portside/shoreside lifelines at the finish line (day or night). Please leave mainsail and boat ID# showing well past the finish line. Please make sure reflective boat ID#s are still reflective.

5 FEES

- 5.1 Required fees are as follows:
Until midnight Friday May 7, 2021
Boats less than 33' - \$195.00
Boats 33' and over - \$225.00
After Friday May 7 until June 4, 2021
Boats less than 33' - \$225.00
Boats 33' and over - \$250.00
After Friday June 4, 2021 - \$35.00 late fee.

Reflective Boat ID Sail Numbers are available for an additional \$50.00.

Contact [the Mills Race Committee](#) to confirm Boat ID order.

- 5.2 Other fees:
Unless adjustments are required for Covid compliance:
Put-in-Bay hospitality tent wristbands are \$20.00 each and \$10.00 for under age 21 bands.
FYI - Toledo Yacht Club Thursday Night Party requires an entry fee.

6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Registration:
Thursday June 10 at Toledo Yacht Club from 1600 to 2100, and
Friday June 11 from 1000 to 1300
- 6.2 Date of racing: Friday June 11, 2021
- 6.3 Number of races: One
- 6.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 1655.

7 MEASUREMENTS

Each boat shall produce a valid PHRF rating certificate. Should there be discrepancies between various handicapping regions, Mills Trophy Race handicapping representatives shall determine an agreed-upon rating for the Mills Trophy Race.
PHRF Boats racing in ORC shall also provide a valid ORC Rating Certificate. See Section 12 for dual-scoring details.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Official Sailing Instructions will be available on-line no later than midnight on June 7, 2021 at [2021 Mills Trophy Race Documents](#) and during registration beginning on Thursday June 10.

Note: The General Sailing Conditions published in the Race Program are intended for overall guidance and in case of discrepancies *are not* the official Sailing Instructions.

9 VENUE

9.1 Attachment "A" shows the location of the Toledo Yacht Club harbor.

Attachment "B" shows the location of the Put-in-Bay harbor

9.2 Boat Dockage

Dockage and rafting is available at TYC from Sunday, June 6, at no charge for registrants indicating their date of arrival on the entry form. The entry fee includes directed dockage at Put-in-Bay following the race.

9.3 Attachment "C" shows the location of the racing areas.

10 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be as follows:

Three courses, all starting in the vicinity of Toledo Harbor Light and ending at Put-in-Bay, Ohio, to be sailed as described in the Sailing Instructions:

Mills Trophy Course: 67.8 nm for Multi-hulls, PHRF 165 and below and higher rated boats racing for the Mills Trophy.

President's Trophy Course: 37.6 nm for all JAM classes, Double-handed, +PHRF 168 and above. Cruising and Classics with 6 or more entries.

Governor's Cup Course: 52.6 nm optional course for PHRF 165 and below.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3, will apply. If circumstances dictate a penalty less severe than DSQ, the penalty will be a minimum of 3-5 places (or more) at the discretion of the Protest Committee. (DP)

11.2 For the Multi Hull Class Only, rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

12 SCORING

The scoring system is as follows: Low Point system of Appendix A shall apply. Time allowances for yachts will be calculated, Time on Distance, in accordance with a yacht's rating as approved by the Race Committee. PHRF Boats on the Mills Trophy Course with a valid ORC rating certificate may also be scored in ORC.

13 BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the Toledo Yacht Club Basin and the Put-In-Bay Harbor. After finishing, each boat shall contact the Race Committee on VHF 71 and receive confirmation of finish. Boats will then be instructed to monitor VHF 78 for harbor entry and docking instructions. **All boats must wait for the Mills Harbormaster docking instructions.**

14 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

15 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

16 RADIO COMMUNICATION

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. Yachts shall monitor VHF channel 71.

17 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows: Race flags will be awarded for first, second, and third place in each class, except as noted below, along with overall and pre-registered one design classes with six or more entries.

Exceptions: First to Finish flag for Mills, President's, or Governor's PHRF entries only.

Race trophies for each class winner, and all other overall, area and special perpetual trophies will be awarded at the banquet immediately preceding next year's event.

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 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.

19 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid, third-party insurance sufficient to cover liability for loss, damage, personal injury, or death.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please [email](#)

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[Mills Trophy Race Website](#)

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