

Racine Yacht Club HOOK Race

Modified US Safety Equipment Requirements (SER) Checklist

Boat Name _____ **Sail No** _____ **Number of crew** _____

This Form is a required submission for the HOOK Race and must be provided to the Organizing Authority (OA) at the time of Sign In for the Race.

PERSON IN CHARGE (PIC) (please prepare the boat, inspect the items, acknowledge with a tick or "X" in the box, and sign the form.)

ITEM	USSC SER Reference #	PIC CHECK	OA CHECK (if needed)
One manual bilge pump	2.5.1		
Each crewmember shall have an approved lifejacket - Must be fitted with whistle, light, retro-reflective material	3.1.1		
The Personal Safety Knife must be readily accessible at all times including while wearing foul weather gear and PFD/Harnesses			
Safety harness and Tether for each crewmember with quick release shackle	3.1.4		
Jacklines or Jackstays	3.2.1		
Reserve navigation lights with separate power source	3.3.2		
Fire extinguishers	3.4		
Foghorn, sound signaling device	3.5		
Pyrotechnic light signals per USCG, SOLAS not required	3.6.1-4		
Lifebuoy with self-igniting light	3.7.1		
Heaving line	3.7.3		
VHF marine radio with 25w output	3.8.1		
Mast head antenna	3.8.1		
Hand-held VHF marine radio	3.8.2		
Depth or Echo sounder or lead line	3.18		
Magnetic compass	3.19.1		
Navigational paper chart for course	3.20		
Sail numbers - alternate means of display	3.21		
Soft wood plugs	3.22		
Anchor, one of appropriate size for vessel	3.23		
Searchlight, watertight and high-powered	3.24.1		
Flashlight with spare batteries and bulb	3.24.3		
First Aid kit and Manual	3.25		
Radar Reflector, passive	3.26		
Safety equipment location chart, visibly displayed	3.28		
Tools, effective means to sever standing rigging from hull	3.30		
Yacht's name on lifesaving (buoyant) equipment	3.31		
Cockpit knife	3.32		
Sails, reef points or storm sail required**	3.33.1 & 2		
Emergency Steering	4.1		

**** Skipper & Crew should have practiced Storm Rigging prior to race**

IMPORTANT!

All Yachts may be subject to inspection by the Organizing Authority (OA) after the race finish. This form will be used for inspection evaluation. The Person in Charge may be asked to verbally verify required safety procedures that he/she and his/her crew are prepared to and practiced for accomplishing in an emergency situation. Boats may request a courtesy examination from the HOOK Race Committee to assure compliance.

MAN OVERBOARD RECOVERY DRILL RECORD OF SUCCESSFUL PRACTICE

Person in Charge certifies that a successful Man Overboard Drill was completed by at least 2 of the crew within the last year as listed below. The drill was done in a manner that replicated recovering the heaviest crew member from the water in an emergency situation.

Date of Drill: _____ MOB Time: _____ Time Recovery Completed: _____

Signatures of crewmembers certifying their participation in the drill and their review of ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Appendix D which can be found at <http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/OSR2012AppD09122011-%5B11754%5D.pdf>

Crew Signatures

I declare that I am the owner or person in charge and that I have read and understood the US Safety Equipment Requirements and in particular Requirement 1.2 (Responsibility of Person in Charge), that the named yacht meets all safety requirements, and that the crew members have been properly trained and prepared for an off shore race. *I understand that long distance sailboat racing involves inherent risks such as equipment failure or misuse, unstable or inclement weather, submerged hazards, navigational errors, and potential injury to property or persons, including (but not limited to) sun overexposure or hypothermia. I acknowledge that the HOOK OA, Racine Yacht Club and RYC Race Committee, HOOK sponsors, and volunteers **ASSUME NO RESPONSIBILITY** for property damage, personal injury or death incurring before, during, or after the HOOK race.*

Person in Charge Name	Signature
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Received by the HOOK Race Committee:

Date _____ Time _____ By _____

Inspection Report (if made at finish):

Completed by _____ Date _____ Time _____

References: A full copy of the US Safety Equipment Requirements may be found at: <http://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/05/US-SER-Categories-2014-3.pdf>