



June 1, 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority: South Haven Yacht Club

[NP] The notation '[NP]' in a *rule* means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

[DP] The notation '[DP]' in a *rule* means that the penalty for a breach of the *rule* may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

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 classes sailing. HCP will be used for Spinnaker fleet. NSHCP will be used for Non-Spinnaker fleets.
- 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.
- 1.4. RRS Appendix V1 and V2 will apply.
- 1.5. If there is a conflict between the NOR and the SI, the SI shall prevail. Neither the NOR nor the SI shall change or alter any class rules. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 1.6. **[NP]** YachtScoring Event site will be the Official Notice Board. <u>https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16556</u> Courtesy postings will be located in the dining room of the SHYC.

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 regatta is open to PHRF boats with a valid 2024 MWPHRF rating certificate.
- 3.2. One Design Sections: The regatta is open to One Design boats for competition in separate sections without the requirement of a valid MWPHRF rating certificate. A minimum of four boats is required to make a One Design section. If the minimum number boats are not registered and not present at the Skipper's meeting, Boats will be moved to PHRF sections. A valid 2024 MWPHRF rating certificate will be required at registration.
- 3.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form, the required release/waiver and paying the entr fee by going on YachtScoring Event Site<u>https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?elD=16556</u>
- 3.4. Entry fees are waived for South Haven Yacht Club members. For other participants, the entry fee shall be US\$75.00.
- 3.5. Deadline: Entry forms and fees must be received at no later than 1800 EDT on Friday, May 31, 2024. Late entries may be accepted solely at the discretion of the Organizing Authority. A late fee of US\$25.00 will apply.





4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. A representative of each boat will check in at SHYC between 0900 and 0930 EDT on Saturday June 1, 2024.
- 4.2. Skippers Meeting will be Saturday June 1, 2024 at 0930 EDT in the dining room of the SHYC.
- 4.3. The warning signal for the first race is scheduled for 1100 EDT.
- 4.4. It is the intent of the Race Committee to conduct 3 complete races as the regatta. The number of races is subject to weather conditions. No initial warning signal for the starting sequence will be made after 1530 EDT on Saturday.
- 4.5. Subsequent races will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race.

5. MEASUREMENTS

5.1. Each boat racing on a handicap basis shall provide a valid 2024 MWPHRF Rating Certificate to the Race Committee prior to the Skipper's Meeting. There is no provision for assignment of ratings to boats without certificates.

6. SECTION BREAKS

- 6.1. PHRF Sections will be scored using the Time-on-Time adjustments.
- 6.2. Sections and starting order will be posted on the Official Notice Board in Yacht Scoring and announced at the Skippers Meeting at 0930 EDT.
- 6.3. Section flags shall be displayed from the backstay.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1. Sailing Instructions will be available on the Yacht Scoring Event Site no later than May 17th. Courtesy copies may be available in the dining room in the SHYC.

8. THE COURSES AND RACING AREA

8.1. **[NP]** The course areas will be in the open waters of Lake Michigan with the starting areas offshore from the South Haven pier head. Multiple race courses may be established by the Organizing Authority to suit individual fleet requirements.

9. COURSES

- 9.1. Courses will be windward-leeward for spinnaker classes and triangular for jib-and-main classes as described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 9.2. An offset mark will be placed at the windward mark. All boats must leave the offset mark to port after they round the windward mark.

10. PROTESTS

10.1. Protests shall be delivered to the Race Committee within one hour after the Race Committee Signal boat docks. The protest time limit and a list of protests received will be posted on the official notice board. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after racing at the SHYC





11. SCORING

- 11.1. The Low Point System of Appendix A4 of the racing rules will apply. Each yacht's score shall be the sum of all her races.
- 11.2. There shall be no throw outs. This amends RRS A2.1.
- 11.3. PHRF fleet shall race using corrected Time-on-Time.
- 11.4. One race constitutes a series.

12. COMMUNICATIONS

- 12.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) in Yacht Scoring.
- 12.2. Courtesy postings will be located in the dining room of the SHYC.
- 12.3. Each boat shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US Marine frequencies.
- 12.4. **[NP]** On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors via VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 12.5. **[DP]** No communications, data, vocal or visual signaling of any kind, or tactical placement from support boat is permitted after the race boat departs the dock until after the race boat retires for the day or after finishing the last race of the day.

13. AWARDS

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

14. [NP] 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 a 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. [NP] [DP] DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 15.1. Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."
- 15.2. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. 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.
- 15.3. 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.
- 15.4. A signed waiver, Release 2024 Regatta South Haven Invitational General Release and Indemnification Agreement, must be presented at check-in prior to the Skippers Meeting. The waiver can be found at the following link on Yacht Scoring. Please print and sign prior to arriving. https://www.yachtscoring.com/event_documents.cfm



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16. INSURANCE

16.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent. Competitors shall be prepared to supply proof of insurance at registration.

17. AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE

17.1. **[NP]** The Organizing Authority reserves the right to amend this Notice. Any amendment will be posted on the Yacht Scoring Event Site. Courtesy Copies may be posted in the dining room at SHYC.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

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South Haven Yacht Club

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