



2024 CLYC-NEOSA Freedom Race

July 13th, 2024

Notice of Race

This race is designed to be a “fun” race promoting the sport of sailing within the Northeast Ohio Sailing community, and will be a counter for the Nor’EAST Ohio Sailing Alliance (NEOSA) 2024 series.

Host and Organizing Authority:

Chagrin Lagoons Yacht Club. 35111 Halsey Drive Eastlake, Ohio 44095

1. Rules

1.1 The 2024 CLYC-NEOSA Freedom Race is a single race for PHRF, JAM, and Cruising Canvas Classes.

1.2 The race will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2021-2024, the prescriptions of US Sailing, PHRF class rules, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.

1.3 US Sailing prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 shall not apply.

1.4 In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS rule 63.7

1.5 PHRF-LE ratings will apply to all PHRF and JAM rated boats. Boats wishing to enter the race without a certificate must contact the Organizing Authority at least 48 hours before the race and will be assigned a rating. The assigned rating is final and not subject to protest.

2. Classes

2.1 “Class” in these Sailing Instructions is defined as the Class or the Division within a rating system to which a boat is assigned on the scratch sheet. (example: PHRF B, JAM A, etc.)

2.2 Races will be offered for Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker (JAM) and Cruising Canvas rated boats. A Class must have a minimum of 3 boats.

2.3 Cruising Canvas Class definition/requirements: This class consists of cruising boats with bow anchors and bimini canvas in place, and the following allowable sails: mainsail, roller furling jib (maximum headsail size 155% LP), asymmetrical or cruising spinnaker which shall be attached to a midline tack-line, which may be adjustable as defined by the PHRF certificate. Symmetrical spinnakers are not allowed. Staysails are permitted only as under the Jib and Main (JAM) rules. Use of a whisker pole on the clew of the jib is permitted. A two-masted boat may fly a mizzen staysail from the mizzen mast. PHRF-LE spinnaker ratings will be utilized for scoring purposes.

2.4 Boats without current a PHRF or non-spinnaker/JAM measurement certificate will be assigned a rating at the discretion of the Race Committee, which shall be valid for this regatta only and cannot be appealed.

2.5 Class splits will be made after registration closes June 10th, 2024 at 2000 hrs. for PHRF (spin) and JAM (non-spin) and Cruising Class. The decisions by the Race Committee on splits are final. This changes RRS rule 60.1(b).

3. Eligibility & Entry

3.1 The race is open to all boats in good standing with current PHRF certificates. Boats wishing to enter the race without a certificate must contact the Organizing Authority at least 48 hours before the race and will be assigned a rating. The assigned rating is final and not subject to protest. This changes RRS 60.1(b), 78.1 and 78.2.

3.2 The regatta is open to all members of US Sailing, other National Governing Body, members of recognized yacht clubs, or members of recognized sailing associations.

3.3 For registration details go to [Yachtscoring.com](https://yachtscoring.com), and search under CLYC, 2024 CLYC-NEOSA Freedom Race. Completed forms, rating certificate, and appropriate fees must be received by the CLYC office no later than Wednesday, July 10, 2024.

3.4 The entry fee is \$40 to be paid during registration on [Yachtscoring.com](https://yachtscoring.com)., CLYC, 2024 CLYC-NEOSA Freedom Race.

4. Notices and Communications

4.1 The Sailing Instructions, official rule and other notices will be made on [Yachtscoring.com](https://yachtscoring.com), CLYC, 2024 CLYC-NEOSA Freedom Race.

4.2 The courses to be sailed and any changes will be relayed by the Race Committee via VHF Channel 71 during a mandatory Skipper's Meeting at 0930.

4.3 The Race Committee will monitor and provide any additional instructions via VHF Channel 71.

5. Schedule

5.1 The warning signal for the first start will be 0955, Saturday, July 13th, 2024.

5.2 Fleet start times will be determined at 0930 Skipper's Meeting.

6. Racing Area

6.1 The race will take place on Lake Erie utilizing the marks described below in section 6.2 through 6.6. The final course will be determined on the day of the race, will be dependent on the wind direction, and announced during the 0930 Skipper's Meeting.

6.2 The starting area will be outside Mentor Harbor with the start line established by the Mentor Harbor "S" mark, 41°43.78'N 81°21.31'W, and an inflatable tetrahedron.

- 6.3 The Mentor Harbor “C” mark located at 41° 44.56’N, 81° 22.13’W
- 6.4 The Chagrin Lagoons Yacht Club mark “C” at 41° 42.017’N, 81° 26.117’W
- 6.5 The Grand River Sailing Club mark “G” at 41° 47.71’N, 81° 16.23’W
- 6.6 The finish line is established by a line between Mentor Harbor “S” mark and an inflatable tetrahedron.

7. Scoring

7.1 The race will be scored using the low point system per RRS A4.

8. Prizes

8.1 Prizes will be awarded to first, second, and third for each class.

8.2 A post-race gathering and awards presentation will be at the MHYC East Beach

9. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND INSURANCE

9.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. In particular, all competitors are directed to RRS 1.2, Life-Saving Equipment and Personal Flotation Devices, and RRS 3, Decision to Race.

9.2 The Organizing Authority, Sponsors of the 2024 CLYC June JAM Regatta, and their employees and volunteers are not responsible for the loss of life or injury to participants or others, or for the loss or damage to any vessel in any way or from any cause during or related to this event.

9.3 Each participating boat owner represents and warrants that they carry valid third-party liability insurance sufficient to cover liability for damage, injury or death, but in no case less than \$300,000.

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