

78th ANNUAL SNOW FLURRIES REGATTA

September 28th & 29th 2024



Organizing Authority & Host Club: Port Clinton Yacht Club

Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* except as altered by the Sailing Instructions.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the "Official Notice Board" located at the Port Clinton Yacht Club main entrance.

2.2 In the event the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions do not agree the Sailing Instructions will prevail

3 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any changes in the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0830 on the day it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Yardarm on the riverfront.

4.2 When flag 'AP' is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced by "not less than 30 minutes" in race signal AP. This changes the RRS.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Races are scheduled as follows:

Saturday September 28, 2024. *Multiple races are planned.*

Skippers meeting: **0830**

1 hr. gun: **0900**

First start: **1000**

Sunday, September 29, 2024. *Multiple races are planned.*

1 hr. gun: **0900**

First start: **1000**

5.2 The Race Committee will attempt to maintain 5-minute rolling starts.

5.3 If any classes have been deleted from the starts the Race Committee will provide the new starting order at the skippers meeting and will be announced on the radio before each start. Before the warning signal for the first race each day, the competing boats shall sail past the stern of the Race Committee signal boat and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the Race Committee.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class	Class Flag	Signals
		0900 1-hour Gun
J-24	J-24 Class Flag	0955 Warning 1000 Start
Multihull	Numeral Pennant 1	
PHRF A	Numeral Pennant 2	
PHRF B	Numeral Pennant 3	
JAM A	Numeral Pennant 4	
JAM B	Numeral Pennant 5	

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7 RACING AREA

7.1 The racing area will be the western basin of Lake Erie, north of the Port Clinton Yacht Club.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The starting & finishing line will be north of the Portage River harbor light, dependent on wind conditions as determined by the Principal Race Officer

8.2 Please refer to the attached course diagram.

9 MARKS

9.1 Marks 1, 2a and 2b will be yellow.

9.2 Mark 1a is small round orange.

9.3 The change of course mark will be green.

9.4 The starting and finishing marks will be orange

9.5 If a leeward gate is not available the leeward mark will be rounded to port.

10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started using *Rule 26* with classes starting in the order designated in section 6 of the Sailing Instructions.

10.2 The original starting order and class starts will be maintained after postponement. In the event of a general recall, the recalled class will start after the scheduled starts.

10.3 The starting line will be between the orange flag on the Race Committee Signal boat and the orange starting mark.

10.4 A 'Limiting' mark may be set by the Race Committee behind the transom of the Race Committee Signal Boat. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area.

11 THE FINISH

11.1 The 'Finish' line will be a blue flag on the Race Committee Signal boat and an orange finish mark.

12 CHANGE OF COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finish line) and remove the original windward or leeward mark as soon as practicable. The change will be signaled before the 1st boat has begun the leg, although the new mark may not yet be in position. The new mark will be a green inflatable

13 TIME LIMITS

13.1 The time limit for each race will be 2 hours after class start.

13.2 Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored 'Did Not Finish' (DNF). This changes rule 35 and A4.1

14 PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

14.1 Protest forms are available at the registration desk. Protests shall be delivered to the Principal Race Officer within the protest time limit.

14.2 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the Race Committee Signal Boat docks.

14.3 The same time limit applies to all protests by the Race Committee and to requests for redress.

14.4 Protest notices will be posted within 10 minutes of the protest time limit (on the 'Official Notice Board') to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Port Clinton Yacht Club beginning at the close of the protest time limit.

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15 SCORING

- 15.1 The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A of the RRS will apply. The time on distance handicapping system will be used. There are no throw-outs (this changes Appendix A of the RRS).
- 15.2 A minimum of three (3) boats are required to constitute a fleet for each class.
- 15.3 One race constitutes a regatta.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 A boat that retires from racing shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible on CH72.

17 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 17.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules and sailing instructions.

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 18.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, "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 INSURANCES

- 19.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with adequate coverage amounts.
- 19.2 If a Race Committee boat is damaged as a result of a boat breaking a rule that boat shall pay for the repairs.

20 COMMUNICATIONS

- 20.1 All official race communications will be on VHF channel 72.

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