

Little Traverse Yacht Club

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2017

Tuesday Spring Series

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the US Sailing Prescriptions.
- 1.2 Class Rules will apply unless waived by the Fleet Captain and posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 1.3 All boats competing in any LTYC sponsored series shall carry safety gear conforming to USCG regulations, MDNR and the US Sailing RRS.
- 1.4 Changes to the Rules in compliance with Rule 85.1: The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 These races are open to sailing yachts whose owners or charterers are members of the LTYC.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the LTYC registration forms on www.yachtscoring.com and paying the required entry fee prior to the start of each series.
- 2.3 A valid 2017 LMPHRF Rating or Handicap Certificate is required.

3. Schedule

- 3.1 The first warning signal shall be at 17:55.
- 3.2 The Tuesday Night Spring Series will be divided into two Starts with 3 Fleets. All PHRF Spinnaker boats will be scored in PHRF A, J 70 and Alerion 28 will be scored as one design.

4. Courses:

- 4.1 The course will be displayed on the Committee Boat before the warning signal.
- 4.2 The course is indicated as a sequence of letters designating marks (as shown on the race buoy location chart). The background color indicates direction of "rounding," red for port, green for starboard. If the RC is using

- a portable mark, it will be indicated by the letter "X".
- 4.3 The course for PHRF A & J 70 classes will be posted on the port side of the Committee Boat. The course for the Alerion 28 class will be posted on the starboard side of the Committee Boat.

5. Radio Communications:

All racing yachts shall monitor the official LTYC Race Channel, VHF 73. Radio communications may be transmitted as early as 1630 hrs.

6. Starting Times and Sequence:

6.1 Races will be started by using Rule 26. The first Warning Signal shall be 17:55 but may be postponed by the Race Committee.

6.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other classes.

6.3 PHRF A and J 70 will start first; Alerion Class will start second. The warning signal for each succeeding class shall be the starting signal of the preceding class. Class flags will be displayed by the Committee Boat as follows:

PHRF A and J 70 – Green or Class Flag
Alerion – Blue or Class Flag

6.4 The warning signal for the first start will be at 1755 hours.

6.5 If there is a general recall of a class, the class recalled shall start following the start of all other classes.

6.6 The Race Committee may change or shorten the Course by radio notification. This changes rules 32 and 33.

7. Individual Recalls:

In addition to the display of code flag X and one sound signal, the Race Committee may attempt to hail the yacht's sail number by loud hailer and/or radio, but is under no obligation to hail or to be heard.

8. Time Limit:

If one or more boats of a class finish within the time limit, the race counts for all boats in that class. The time limit is two hours to finish for all classes.

9. Scoring:

The low point scoring system found in Appendix A of the RRS will apply except that each boat's total series score will be the sum of her scores for all races within each series.

10. Protests:

A yacht intending to protest shall (unless circumstances make it impossible) inform the Race Committee aboard the Committee Boat of her intent at the time of her finish.

All protests should be submitted on the U. S. Sailing Protest Form available at the

LTYC Clubhouse. Protests must be submitted to the Race Committee at LTYC within one (1) hour of the docking of the Race Committee boat. If possible, the protest will be heard very shortly after the protest is filed.

11. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for the material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the races.

12. Code of Conduct

Each yacht owner is solely responsible for the conduct of his crew, before, during and after racing, afloat and ashore. Any questions, concerns or feedback in regard to the Race Committee or other race related issues should be directed solely to the Sailing Committee Chairman. Conduct deemed unbecoming to a yachtsperson may result in disciplinary action and possible disqualification.