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Little Traverse Yacht Club 52nd Annual Regatta and One-Design Series July 27-29, 2012

Harbor Springs, Michigan

Organizing Authority: Little Traverse Yacht Club

NOTICE of RACE

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1. **Rules**

The LTYC Regatta and One-Design Series will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2009-2012*, the prescriptions of US SAILING, the 2012 Lake Michigan PHRF Rule and for the One-Design Series, the Class Rules of the competing classes, except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions. The Race Committee has full authority to conduct the races.

- 1.1 Each boat shall be equipped with auxiliary power and fuel for 6 miles. Each boat shall sail in compliance with equipment regulations of the US COAST GUARD and the STATE OF MICHIGAN, and with the rules of their class or handicapping system.
- 1.2 All boats will carry a VHF radio.

2. **Advertising:** Advertising is permitted, unless class rules do not permit, in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.

3. **Eligibility:**

- 3.1 The LTYC Regatta is open to Offshore Racer/Cruiser type yachts of 25' LOA and longer and invited one design classes.
PHRF Classes include boats with a maximum LMPHRF handicap of 175. There will be a Non Spinnaker class on Saturday of any LMPHRF handicap.
- 3.2 The One-Design Series is open to invited one-design classes. Invited classes are Beneteau First 36.7, J/120, J/105, J/111, GL70 and Melges 24. A minimum of 5 yachts is required for a One-Design class unless modified by the Sailing Instructions. Entrants must meet all class membership requirements, unless modified by the sailing instructions.
- 3.3 The Race Committee will accept entries until a limit of 88 boats is reached.

4. **Description of Racing:**

- 4.1 The Regatta Fleet will be divided into Classes.
- 4.2 On Thursday (GL70s) and Friday there will be up to three W/L races on one or more courses
- 4.3 On Saturday all classes including non-Spinnaker will sail LTYC's traditional "Tour of the Bay" course with different classes sailing different length courses.
- 4.4 On Sunday, all Spinnaker classes will sail up to three W/L races on one or more courses. The Non- Spinnaker class may sail a Tour of the Bay Course if their race on Saturday is not completed.

5. **Schedule:**

One-Design Series:

Thursday, July 26 th	1600-1800	One Design Registration at LTYC
Friday, July 27 th	1030	First Warning Signal. More races to follow.

LTYC Regatta:

Friday July 27 th	1600-1800 1700	Registration at LTYC Ugotta Regatta Party at Irish Boat Shop Party with Beer, Band, Brats and Banter.
Saturday July 28 th	1030	First Warning Signal for Tour of the Bay Race After racing: Complimentary Dinner Buffet & Snacks, Dutch Treat Cocktails at LTYC
Sunday July 29 th	1030	First Warning Signal. More races to follow. After racing: Awards Party. Complimentary Dinner Buffet & Snacks, Dutch Treat Cocktails at LTYC.

6. **Registration:**

- 6.1 Eligible boats may enter on line via the link at the LTYC website: www.ltyc.org or via www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=588 not later than June 29, 2012, without late entry fee.
- 6.2 Only boats that have completed registration by 1800 hours on Friday, July 27, 2012 will be eligible. Late registration may be allowed only with the prior approval of the Regatta Chairperson.
- 6.3 The following are required for registration:
 - a. Completed Entry Form
 - b. Signed Conditions Statement and Release Agreement
 - c. A valid 2012 LMPHRF Rating or Handicap Certificate
 - d. Payment of required fees
 - e. Any class specific entry material (sail inventory, crew weight, etc.) must be supplied to designated class officer.
 - f. Pick up of Race Packet/Sailing Instructions at Registration.

7. **Required Fees:**

- 7.1 The advance entry (received by June 29, 2012) fees are as follows:

Friday/Saturday/Sunday

One Design Regatta **and** LTYC Regatta:

Up to 40' LOA	\$350
40' - 50' LOA	\$425
Over 50' LOA	\$525

Saturday & Sunday	
LTYC Regatta ONLY :	
Up to 40' LOA	\$250
40' - 50' LOA	\$325
Over 50' LOA	\$425
Saturday Racing Only (Non-Spinnaker):	\$125

7.2 Each application received after Friday, June 29, 2012, shall include a late entry fee of \$100.

8. **Measurement and Rating:**

For PHRF, contact Lake Michigan PHRF, 1135 Maricopa Drive, Oshkosh, WI 54901, <http://www.lmphrf.org/>. **Current 2012 LMPHRF ratings are required.** LMPHRF will process ratings for other PHRF holders for \$25. **Other PHRF certificate holders must submit their certificate to LMPHRF by June 15, 2012.**

9. **Sailing Instructions:** Sailing instructions will be available at www.ltyc.org and at registration.

10. **Regatta Site:** Headquarters for the Regatta will be the Little Traverse Yacht Club.

11. **Regatta Area:** The Regatta will be conducted within the confines of Little Traverse Bay on Lake Michigan.

12. **Courses**

12.1 The courses for Friday and Sunday will be windward-leeward, with from 2 to 6 legs. A windward offset mark may be used. A leeward gate may be used.

12.2 The course for Saturday is a multi-leg "Tour of the Bay" race of multiple legs utilizing the LTYC fixed marks and set marks. The course for the day is chosen by the Race Committee, seeking to orient the legs generally upwind and downwind. Different classes may have different courses.

13. **Scoring**

13.1 PHRF Classes will be scored Time-on-Time.

13.2 The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A, will apply with the following changes: Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) and scored points equal to the number of finishers in that race plus two, but in no case will be scored more than the number of starters.

13.3 There will be no throw-out race in the series. This changes RRS Appendix A 2.

13.4 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

13.5 The "Tour of the Bay" race will be weighted at 1.5.

13.6 Overall winners of the One Design series and the LTYC Annual Regatta will be determined from the winners of each class based on performance.

14. **Social:**

14.1 Friday, July 27th, after racing – The Ugotta Regatta party at the Irish Boat Shop for crews and family, including beer, band, brats, and banter.

14.2 Saturday and Sunday mornings the Little Traverse Sailors will present a fund-raising Pancake Breakfast at the Club.

14.3 Saturday, July 28th, after racing—party with complimentary food with cash bar at LTYC.

14.4 Sunday, July 29th, after racing – awards presentation, complimentary food and cash bar at LTYC.

15. **Berthing:** Transient slips and dockage, usually involving rafting, is available at nearby marinas. As part of our continuing effort to make your regatta experience in Harbor Springs more enjoyable, we

recommend that dockage space be reserved in advance because dockage space in our harbor is very limited. Through cooperation with The City of Harbor Springs and Irish Boat Shop, dockage is being provided at a common rate, eliminating the price difference between the two marinas. The Harbormaster and Irish Boat Shop will be working together to assign boats to the most appropriate facility, based on boat size and draft. Boats will be rafted at the discretion of the Harbormaster when appropriate. Information will be available on the LTYC website at www.ltyc.org. You may also contact Matt Breckenfeld at Irish Boat Shop at www.irishboatshop.com or 231-526-6225.

16. **Accommodations:** Information on housing in the area will be available at www.ltyc.org.
17. **Radio Communication:** A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
18. **Prizes:** Trophies will be awarded to the top 3 boats with the best overall performance. Flags will be awarded to the top three boats in each class in the LTYC Regatta. For the One Design Series, flags will be awarded for first, second and third in each class.
19. **Disclaimer of Liability:** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.
20. **Further Information:** For further information, or questions regarding the regatta, please contact LTYC (231-526-7919) or www.ltyc.org

Regatta Chairperson: Kathryn Breighner: kb@healthychild.net

Important Notes:

We would like to call your attention to the importance of all yachtspersons abiding by all rules and regulations designed to protect the quality of the water in our bay.

Michigan law prohibits the discharge of sewage from yachts. Yachts participating in this Regatta are subject to inspection for compliance with the law.

Provisions will be made to provide adequate facilities on shore for trash and litter. We will certainly appreciate your cooperation in this regard.

Parking within the City is limited and your cooperation and respect of parking regulations is appreciated. Please refer to www.ltyc.org for the City parking diagram of available parking spaces for crew vans, buses and trailers.

Each yacht owner is solely responsible for the conduct of his yacht's crew, before, during and after the event, afloat and ashore. Conduct deemed unbecoming to a yachtsperson may result in disciplinary action and disqualification.