

Racine Yacht Club Racine Regatta Saturday August 3 – Sunday August 4, 2024 Organizing Authority (OA) – Racine Yacht Club Racine, WI

Notice of Race

1. RULES

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the current *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the rules of MWPHRF (or one design class).
- 1.2 Midwest Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (MWPHRF) Certificate crew limitations do not apply.
- 1.3 In case of conflict between this NOR and Sailing Instructions (SIs), the SIs shall prevail.
- 1.4 The following will apply:
 - a. US Coast Guard safety requirements and US Sailing Nearshore safety requirements.
 - b. A boat shall be equipped with a functioning VHF radio capable of broadcasting and receiving.
 - c. RRS A5.3
 - d. US Sailing Prescriptions V1 and V2.
- 1.5 Racing Rules will be changed as follows:
 - a. RRS 29.2: The last sentence is replaced with: "When a general recall has been signaled the class will *start* after all previously scheduled classes."
 - b. RRS 61.2(e): Add to last sentence: "and at least one phone number for the protestor representative shall be provided".
 - c. RRS 62.1(a): Courtesy broadcasts are not considered grounds for redress.
 - d. RRS A2.1: There shall be no exclusions for the series.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all sailboats with the following requirements:
 - a. Boat is 20 feet or longer.
 - b. A completed entry form including the Waiver and Release of Liability signed by the Skipper, or Person In Charge (PIC), who is 18 years or older.
 - c. Payment of the required entry fee.
 - d. Each yacht shall provide proof of valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per event or the equivalent.
 - e. A valid 2024 MWPHRF Certificate for boats racing in other than one design fleets.
- 2.2 Boats that have not registered or have not paid the registration fee will not be scored.
- 2.3 Substitution: There shall be no substitution of boats during the regatta.

3. FEES

3.1 The registration fee for series entry is \$60.00.

(For boats registered in the Summer Series, registration fee is included in your summer series registration)

3.2 One Day Registration is available: Fee as listed on the entry form.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Skipper's meeting will be held Saturday August 5th at 0830
- 4.2 First warning will be at 0955 on Saturday and 1055 on Sunday.
- 4.3 No races will start after 1500 on Saturday and 1400 on Sunday.
- 4.4 Three races are scheduled to run Saturday August 3 and two races on Sunday August 4, 2024.
- 4.5 Entertainment will be on the patio beginning at 1700 on Saturday.

5. DIVISIONS

- 5.1 Boats shall be divided into classes with a minimum of 2 entries. Each class may be divided into sections subject to the number and ratings of entered boats. Final class and section breaks shall be specified in the Sailing Instructions. Classes are defined as:
 - a. Star
 - b. One-design
 - c. PHRF
 - d. Jib & Main (JAM)
 - i. Boats may only use a headsail with a mid-girth no greater than 50% of the foot.
 - ii. Spinnakers, including Code 0 and cruising spinnakers are prohibited.
 - iii. A whisker or spinnaker pole of any length may be used.
 - e. Grand Prix
 - i. This class is limited to boats with a MWPHRF rating equal to or less than 0.
 - ii. Boats may be either multihull or monohull.
- 5.2 If there are less than the minimum required entries for a class, the OA may assign those boats into appropriate handicap classes. The OA's decision shall be final.
- 5.3 PHRF classes may be divided into multiple sections subject to the number and ratings of registered boats.

6. VENUE

- 6.1 The location of racing for all classes will be the Racine Yacht Club Race Course, located northeast of the Racine Yacht Club.
- 6.2 All races will be windward leeward.
- 6.3 Race committee may at their discretion utilize either fixed *marks* or inflatable *marks* to identify the course.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Racine Yacht Club website and the Race Committee notice board in the club.

8. SCORING

- 8.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 8.2 The Scoring system is as follows:
 - a. Sections will be scored using Time-on-Distance, with the PHRF Handicap Rating or One-Design.
 - b. The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A4.
 - c. No races will be excluded.

9. AWARDS

Prizes will be awarded to top finishers for the series at the Annual Awards Banquet.

10. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

By participating in any race of the series, each person aboard as skipper, crew or otherwise (a) acknowledges that racing sailing boats has certain inherent risks and can be a dangerous activity and (b) nevertheless voluntarily assumes all such risks, and waives any and all claims that he or she may have for damages of any kind against the RYC, it's race committee or any officer, director, member, employee or agent of the RYC, arising out of or related to his or her participation in any such race. The skipper and crew shall be responsible for deciding whether to start or to continue each race of the series.

11. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact RYC Race Director, Stephen Gancarz at sgancarz@ymail.com