



# SYC Spring Series Regatta 2010

Hosted by the Sarnia Yacht Club

June 12<sup>th</sup> & June 13<sup>th</sup>

## Sailing Instructions

### 1 Rules

- 1.1 The series races will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012* (RRS).
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the Canadian Yachting Association (CYA) will apply to protests heard by a Canadian protest committee.
- 1.3 Lake Huron PHRF By-Laws shall apply to yachts required to have a valid 2010 rating.
- 1.4 The Sailing Instructions may change some Racing Rules

### 2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The races are open to all sail yachts owned by members of the SYC and PHYC and properly registered.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the registration form and sending it to the Race Chairmen by June 5th, 2010.

### 3 FEES

- 3.1 There will be no fee for members of SYC and PHYC.

### 4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 4.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board located at SYC.
- 4.2 Notices may also be posted on the race information board at PHYC as a courtesy. Any such notice or absence of notice shall not be relied upon as official.

### 5 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions, or any notices to competitors will be posted on the notice board within 10 minutes of the close of the Skippers meeting, and on the PHYC official notice board as soon as possible thereafter on Friday evening.

### 6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the SYC Race Committee Shack and will attempt to display at PHYC on the Flagstaff.
- 6.2 When the AP flag is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 90 minutes' in race signal AP. This changes Race Signal AP.

### 7 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 7.1 Three Windward-Leeward races of 5NM each are scheduled on Sat.
- 7.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal is 1000h for the first race on Sat.
- 7.3 The race on Sunday will be the regular Sunday TRI series race, as per the joint SYC/PHYC Race Program.
- 7.4 Races abandoned ashore will not be rescheduled.
- 7.5 Races abandoned on the water with Race Signal N over A will not be rescheduled.
- 7.6 No races will be started after 1600 hours on Sat.

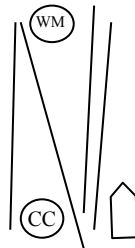
### 8 RATINGS / SPLITS

- 8.1 All ratings must conform to the Lake Huron PHRF Association By-Laws.

- 8.2 Final rating assignments will be determined by LPHRF Handicapper
- 8.3 Class splits will be posted on the race notice boards by 2100h after the skippers meeting Fri June 11<sup>th</sup>. As a courtesy there will be an attempt to post on PHYC board as well.
- 8.4 PHRF – Yachts shall race in accordance with the Lake Huron PHRF By-Laws and have a valid Lake Huron PHRF rating.
- 8.5 Boats without a Lake Huron PHRF certificate will be assigned a rating by the Organizing Authority.

## 9 THE COURSE

- 9.1 The octagon course, mark locations and headings are illustrated in Appendix 1.
- 9.2 The course shall be windward leeward from CC to the approximate windward mark determined by the corresponding letter pennant displayed by the RC boat. Each race consists of 4 legs.
- 9.3 The RC Boat shall display the Windward Mark letter flag prior to the warning signal.
- 9.4 The distance to the first mark from the Start line shall be approximately 1.25 NM.
- 9.5 All marks shall be rounded to port.



Example Course	Windward mark "A":	CC-A-CC-A-CC	5NM
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## 10 MARKS

- 10.1 Marks A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, and X are 4' diameter yellow balls marked with a black letter. Mark CC is a 4' diameter white ball marked with black letters.
- 10.2 Marks that are damaged but still visible are still to be considered proper marks. Marks that are missing or substantially off-station may be replaced by marks that meet one of the following conditions (Modifies RRS 34):
  - a) 4' diameter white or yellow ball with no letter identification.
  - b) A buoy or stake-boat displaying an M Code Flag.
  - c) An inflatable orange (or other colour) pyramid buoy.
- 10.3 A green inflatable pyramid may be used as a limit mark for the Race Committee Boat. This mark will be considered to be a part of the Race Committee boat.

## 11 THE START

- 11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 11.2 The starting line shall be between a staff displaying the Orange Flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end, and the "CC" mark at the port end.
- 11.3 Restricted Area - Yachts whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and all yachts whose warning signal has been made. See Appendix 1 restricted area location.
- 11.4 The starting order for Sat. racing will be posted on the race notice board after the skippers meeting June 11<sup>th</sup>. As a courtesy an attempt will be made to post on PHYC board.
- 11.5 The starting order for Sunday's race will be as per the Sunday TRI series race program SI's.

## 12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finish line for Sat. races will be between the Orange Flag on the RC Signal Boat and CC mark located at the port end of the line.
- 12.2 The finish line for Sunday's race will be as per the TRI series SI's.

### **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

13.1 Racing Rule (RRS) 44.3 will not apply.

### **14 TIME LIMIT**

14.1 The time limit for all Classes Sat. will be 90 minutes from the time of the Class start. One boat finishing within the time limit will extend the time for the balance of the Class. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in the Class finishes, and still racing, shall be scored one more point than the last boat in the Class to finish. This changes RRS 35.

14.2 Time and weather permitting and solely at the discretion of the Race Committee, a numeral #2 Pennant may be shown on the RC Signal Boat at the Finish of the first race and a #3 pennant at the Finish of a second race, thereby indicating the Race Committee's intent to run an additional race and so on.

### **15 PROTESTS**

15.1 A boat intending to protest another boat or intending to request redress shall verbally inform the Race Committee of the details, after the finish of the race in which the incident occurred.

15.2 The protest time limit is 2 hours after the finish time of the last boat in the last race of the day. SI 14.1 may be used to determine that finish time.

15.3 Protests will be heard at SYC. Protests may be heard before the time limit expires, if all other requirements have been met.

### **16 SCORING**

16.1 The low point scoring system of Appendix 4.1 will apply.

16.2 If 4 races are sailed there will be one throw out.

### **17 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

17.1 Each yacht racing, depending on country of registration, shall comply with US or Canadian Coast Guard requirements.

### **18 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

18.1 The Race Committee may monitor and use VHF 69 to hail sail numbers of infringing yachts. Failure to do so will not be grounds for redress.

18.2 Yachts retiring from a race must identify themselves to the Race Committee as soon as possible using VHF 69, failing that, immediately after arriving ashore by calling 519-332-6779 ext 6.

### **19 RESULTS**

19.1 Preliminary results will be posted on the official notice board as soon as possible following the race and also at PHYC. Corrections or errors need to be reported to the Race Chairmen, Fleet Captain or the Race PRO in writing. If no corrections are reported by 1700 hrs Sunday June 13th, results will become final. Skippers are reminded that the SYC website is not the official race results bulletin board.

### **20 AWARDS**

20.1 Flags will be given to the top three finishers in each class and the top 3 overall finishers. The event will be awarded after racing is finished on Sunday, at the SYC Clubhouse, at about 1700 hrs.

20.2 This is the first half of the Millholland trophy, top boat overall for SYC and will be awarded at the Annual Awards Banquet of the Joint Race Program.

### **21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

21.1 Competitors participate in the races 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 races.

## 22 INSURANCE

22.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance in the amount of \$2 million

### Appendix 1

#### Position of Race Marks

Mark	Lat'	Lon'
A	N 43° 04.252'	W 82° 22.610'
B	N 43° 04.140'	W 82° 21.321'
C	N 43° 03.393'	W 82° 20.544'
D	N 43° 02.419'	W 82° 20.696'
E	N 43° 01.841'	W 82° 21.712'
F	N 43° 01.929'	W 82° 23.046'
G	N 43° 02.714'	W 82° 23.853'
H	N 43° 03.667'	W 82° 23.652'
CC	N 43° 03.015'	W 82° 22.197'
X	N 43° 00.530'	W 82° 24.266'

Note: Coordinates are approximate. Weather and current may alter their positions