



2017 LAKESIDE YACHT CLUB REGATTA

July 8 & 9, 2017

The following instructions apply to all boats participating in the Regatta.

1. RULES

- 1.1 All races will be governed by the current *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS); the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (US SAILING); the rules of the participating classes, except as any of these are changed by these Sailing Instructions (SI). PHRF-Lake Erie rules will apply to all PHRF and JAM rated boats.
- 1.2 This Regatta is designated Category "A" or "C" for yachts so classified by their class, rating system or national or international authority.
- 1.4 Rule 29.2 (**General Recall**) is changed to postpone the start of any recalled division(s) to the end of the start sequence, as specified in SI 12.2.
- 1.5 JAM sail limitations and equipment restrictions for JAM participants are governed by the PHRF-LE rules for "non-spinnaker fleets."
 - (a) Telescoping poles will be treated as whisker poles and must be clearly marked with bands to designate 'J' limit.
 - (b) JAM Boats must be sailed with three or more people on board.

2. ENTRIES

- 2.1 This regatta is open to yachtsmen from recognized Yacht Clubs.
- 2.2 Eligible boats shall be entered by completing registration with the organizing authority, including required fees and **PHRF-LE certificates**, prior to the filing deadlines in the Notice of Race.
- 2.3 Eligibility and placement within divisions shall be determined by the Race Committee (hereafter RC), whose decision is final. PHRF-LE handicaps will be used. These will be posted per SI 3, no later than the Skipper's meeting on Saturday morning.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the Lounge Window.

4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the SI's will be posted at least one half hour before the warning signal of the first race on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 8:00 AM on the day it will take effect.

5.0 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the RC boat.
- 5.2 Flag "AP" with two sounds (one sound when lowered) means the race is postponed. When postponed ashore, the first Warning Signal will be made not less than 60 minutes after "AP" is lowered.
- 5.3 Protest Time shall be One Hour after the R.C Boat docks. The dock time will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

	Race	Time of 1st Warning Signal
Sat. July 08, 2017	All races are back to back	10:55 AM
Sun. July 09, 2017	A maximum of 2 races, back to back	9:55 AM

- 6.1 No warning signal will be made after **1:00 PM** on Sunday.
- 6.2 One Race shall constitute a series.

7. CLASS FLAGS

Class Flags and normal start sequences will be posted and available, as will the scratch sheets.

8. RACING AREA

Racing will take place on Lake Erie near or north of the Cleveland Harbor East End.

9. COURSES

- 9.1 See Attachment # 1 and Laminated Course Chart included in Skipper's Packet.



- 9.1.1 Distance Course:
Weather conditions permitting, the RC *may* elect to do a distance race using LYC fixed marks and possibly the Crib. In this event there would be only one race. This election, if chosen, will be posted no later than 1 hour before the WARNING on the morning of the race, along with the course. This also may be a Pursuit Start.
- 9.2. No later than the Warning Signal the approximate bearing from the starting line to Marks 1& J will be displayed from the RC Signal Boat.
10. **MARKS:**
All marks will be inflatable tetrahedrons, balls and/or cylinders except for a Distance Race, which shall use LYC fixed marks and possibly the Crib. See Attachment #1 and the Laminated sheet for the LYC Marks included in your Skipper's Packet.
11. **THE START**
- 11.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26. In the event of a Distance Race, we may opt for a Pursuit Start.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between the **ORANGE FLAG** on a RC Signal Boat at the starboard end and an **Orange mark** on the port end.
- 11.3 Boats whose Warning Signal has not been made **SHALL** keep clear of the starting area and of all boats whose warning signals have been made.
- 11.4 A boat shall not start later than five (5) minutes after her starting signal and will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
12. **RECALLS**
- 12.1 Individual and General Recalls will be signaled in accordance with rule 29. The RC will attempt to hail boats that have not started properly on VHF Channel 78A. This changes rules 62.1.
- 12.2 General recalls will be signaled as prescribed in RRS, except as follows:
(A) After a General Recall, the recalled class shall immediately clear the starting area.
(B) The recalled class will drop to the end of the starting sequence and start after the last scheduled start.
(C) All recalled classes will start in the same order as originally scheduled.
(D) Class start flags will designate the next class to start as per rule 26.
13. **CHANGE OF COURSE after the Start**
- 13.1 A change of course after the start will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the changed leg, although the new mark may not then be in position.
- 13.2 During a change of course, the class flag of the class, or classes, whose course is being change may be flown with the change of course flag ("C"). If there is no class flag flown, the change is applicable to all classes excluding JAM.
- 13.3.1 After setting the new mark, the RC will attempt to lift the original mark as soon as possible. Marks to be passed subsequently may be relocated to maintain course configuration.
14. **COURSE SHORTENING**
- 14.1 The Race may be shortened at any rounding mark in accordance with the RRS.
- 14.2 If the boat signaling the race shortening is displaying **any class flag** the race is shortened **only for those classes** whose class flag is displayed. If **no class flags** are displayed the race is shortened for **all classes**.
15. **THE FINISH**
- 15.1 Unless the course is shortened, the Finish Line will be between a staff displaying the Orange Flag on the RC Boat and a Yellow mark placed to the starboard side of the RC boat.
- 15.2 If a Distance Race is sailed the FINISH will be between the LYC S/F Mark and the FCYC Staring Shack.
- 15.3 Boats which retire from a race for any reason **MUST** report their action as soon as possible to the RC. This report may be made by VHF Channel 78A, in person to one of the RC Boats, or by phone or in person to the LYC office. Failure to inform the RC after retiring may result in disqualification from the series.
16. **PENALTY SYSTEM**
Penalties for breaking any Rules in PART 2 or Rule 31 in PART 3, rule 44.1 & 44.2, will be in effect.
17. **TIME LIMIT**
- 17.1 The Time Limit (TL) to the first mark is one (1) hour. The TL is two (2) hours for each closed course race. The TL in the event of a distance race is three (3) hours.
- 17.2 If no boat in a division finishes within its TL, that race shall be abandoned. If at least one boat finishes within the TL, all boats in that division that finish within thirty (30) minutes of the first boat will be scored in their order of finish. Any boats in that division still racing at the end of the TL + 30 minutes will be scored TLE (time limit expired) as the number of finishers +1, without a hearing. In the event of a distance race, boats finishing after TLE + 60 minutes will be scored TLE. This changes RRS 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.
18. **PROTESTS**
- 18.1 Protests shall be made as defined in RRS 60 and 61. Boats intending to protest **SHALL, immediately** after finishing or retiring, notify the RC Boat of their intent to protest and provide the sail numbers of boats protested.
- 18.2 Protests shall be written on Protest Forms available at the LYC Office and shall be delivered to the LYC office within **one hour after the RC Boat has docked** as per SI 5.3.
- 18.3 Protests will be heard at the Protest Office approximately in the order received, and as soon as possible.
- 18.4 Protest notices will be posted on the notice board shortly after Protest Time ends to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties to or named as witnesses.

- 18.5 Protests delivered on the last day of the Series, which do not involve award winners, may be heard after the awards presentation.
- 18.6 A copy of the completed protest will be posted on the Official Notice Board after the protest hearing.
- 19. **SCORING**
- 19.1 The Low-Point Scoring System, RRS A4, will apply.
- 19.2 The Series is scheduled to include up to six races. There will be no throw outs. One race will constitute a series.
- 20. **RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**
All radio communications between the race committee and competitors shall be on channel 78A.
Any communications between race committee personnel or boats which may be overheard by competitors shall not be grounds for redress or protest. The Race Committee has no obligation to communicate by above VHF radio.
- 21. **AWARDS**
Boats shall receive awards consistent with the numbers in their respective Classes for the series, not to exceed 3 places.

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