

Mentor Harbor Yachting Club Invitational Regatta

August 19-20, 2017

Mentor Harbor Yacht Club

5330 Coronado Drive, Mentor, Ohio

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. US Sailing prescriptions to RRS 60, 63.2 and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.3. In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS rule 63.7
- 1.4. The MHYC Race Committee at its sole discretion, whose decision is final and without appeal, shall determine eligibility and placement within divisions for PHRF and JAM classes.
- 1.5. The Organizing Authority for this event is The Mentor Harbor Yachting Club.
- 1.6. One race shall constitute a regatta.
- 1.7. RRS rule 60.1(a) is changed to prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged reach of a class rule requiring class membership.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. A current and valid PHRF or PHRF-LE measurement certificate is required for all boats participating in the PHRF or JAM class. Boats in the PHRF or JAM class without a current and valid PHRF-LE measurement certificate, but possessing a current and valid PHRF certificate will be assigned a handicap adjusted to PHRF-LE standards. Invited One-Design Boats (Ensign, J/22, J/105, Tartan Ten, etc.) racing PHRF or JAM will be assigned the current PHRF-LE one-design rating for that class and shall comply with their One Design Class rules. Assigned rating shall be valid for this regatta only and are not subject to redress.
- 2.2. The regatta is open to all boats of the Ensign, J/22, J/105, Tartan Ten, PHRF and JAM classes whose owners are members of US Sailing or other national authority, or members of recognized yacht clubs, or members of recognized sailing class associations.
- 2.3. Additional classes, consisting of six or more entries, and wishing to participate may be considered for inclusion at the discretion of the Regatta Chairman, providing they state their request prior to Monday July 28, 2017.
- 2.4. The registration form for this regatta is attached or available at <http://www.mhyc.us/regattaregistration.html>
- 2.5. Eligible boats shall enter by completing the entry form and sending it, or delivering it, together with the required fees to 5330 Coronado Drive, Mentor, Ohio 44060 by 1300 Friday, August 18th, 2017.
- 2.6. No entries for the Regatta, unless authorized by the Regatta Chair, will be accepted after 1300 Friday, August 18.

3. FEES

- 3.1. Required registration fees are as follows:
 - Boats under 24.99' LOA \$60.00
 - Boats 25.00' – 29.99' LOA \$70.00
 - Boats 30.00' – 39.99' LOA \$85.00
 - Boats 40' LOA and larger \$95.00
 - US Sailing Membership Discount \$10.00

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. Skipper Packets shall be available at the pool pavilion between 1700 to 2100 hours on Friday, August 18th.
- 4.2. Dates of racing:

First Warning	
Saturday August 19	All Classes 0955
Sunday August 20	All Classes 0955
- 4.3. A maximum of 8 (eight) races are scheduled for the Regatta.
- 4.4. There shall be no warning signal after 1300 hrs Sunday August 20.

5. VENUE

- 5.1. Races shall be sailed on Lake Erie north of Mentor Harbor Yacht Club.
- 5.2. More than one race area may be used. Location of the race area(s) will be identified in the Sailing Instructions.

6. THE COURSES

- 6.1. The courses to be sailed will be as follows:
- 6.2. One-Design Classes shall sail windward-leeward courses.
- 6.3. PHRF & JAM Classes shall sail windward-leeward or triangle courses.

7. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 7.1. The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3, will apply.

8. SCORING

- 8.1. The scoring system as defined in RRS Appendix A, except A2 is changed as follows: Each boat's series score shall be the total of her scores with no score excluded.

9. DOCKING AND LAUNCHING

- 9.1. Boats arriving on trailer shall proceed to the dry sail area for staging and launching.
- 9.2. Boats arriving by water shall, prior to entering the Mentor Harbor channel, contact the Dock Master on VHF channel 16 for docking instructions. **All boat intending to secure overnight or extended dockage must pre-register with the Harbormaster. Contact: harbormaster@mhyc.us**

10. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 10.1. Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee or protest chair.

11. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 11.1. Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

12. PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

Trophies and flags will be awarded to the first, second and third place boat in each class or division.

Perpetual Awards:

Ensign Class – the New Yorker trophy

JAM Class Overall – Robert Hickey Memorial Trophy

PHRF Class Overall – Sinbad Trophy.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance sufficient to cover liability for damage, injury or death.

14. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For further information, please contact Regatta Chairman:

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