Little Traverse Yacht Club 55th Annual Regatta

and

One-Design Series
July 23-26, 2015
Harbor Springs, Michigan

Organizing Authority: Little Traverse Yacht Club

NOTICE of RACE

1. Rules

- 1.1 The LTYC Regatta and One-Design Series will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the prescriptions of US SAILING, the 2015 Lake Michigan PHRF Rule, the rules of the Great Lakes Multihull Racing Association (GLMRA) for multihulls, the Class Rules of the competing classes, except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions. Rule 55 is modified to allow the use of biodegradable sail stops.
- 1.2 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.
- 1.3 All boats will carry a VHF radio capable of receiving transmissions from the Race Committee.
- 1.4 Appendix T, Section A and Section B will apply. T1 PENALTIES AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT: The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.

2. Advertising

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

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 The LTYC Regatta is open to Offshore Racer/Cruiser type yachts, including multihulls, if a minimum of three enter, of 22' LOA and longer and invited one design classes.
- 3.2 PHRF Classes include boats with a maximum LMPHRF handicap of 175.
- 3.3 Non Spinnaker Class with any LMPHRF handicap.
- 3.4 The One-Design Series is open to one-design classes with a minimum of 5 entries. Entrants must meet all class membership requirements, unless modified by the sailing instructions.
- 3.5 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 there will be up to three W/L races for the GL70 Class and other one design classes.
- 4.3 On Friday, there will be up to three W/L races for the GL70s and other one design classes.
- 4.4 On Saturday and Sunday all classes including non-Spinnaker will sail LTYC's traditional "Tour of

5. Schedule

Wednesday, July 22 nd	1600-1800	One-Design Class Registration at LTYC
Thursday, July 23 rd	0900 1100	GL70 Skipper's meeting at LTYC First Warning for GL70 Class and other one design classes. More races to follow.
Friday, July 24 th	1100	First Warning Signal for GL70 Class and other one design classes. More races to follow.
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Friday July 24 th	1600-1800 1700	Registration at LTYC Ugotta Regatta Party at Irish Boat Shop. Party with Beer, Band, Brats and Banter.
Saturday July 25 th	1100	First Warning Signal for Tour of the Bay Race After racing: Post race celebration with dinner buffet and cash bar at LTYC
Sunday July 26 th	1100	First Warning Signal. After racing: Post race celebration with dinner buffet, cash bar, sponsor recognition and awards presentation at LTYC.

6. Entry

- 6.1 Eligible boats may enter on line via the link at the LTYC website: www.ltyc.org or via http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?elD=1270 not later than June 30, 2015, without late entry fee.
- Only boats that have completed registration by 1800 hours on Wednesday, July 22, 2015 for One Design Regatta and on Friday, July 24, 2015 for the LTYC Annual Regatta will be eligible. Late registration may be allowed 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 2015 LMPHRF Rating or Handicap Certificate see Attachment A.
 - 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. Fees

7.1 Early entry fees received by June 30, 2015 are as follows:

Thursday/Friday One Design Regatta only:

Up to 40' LOA	\$250
Over 40' LOA	\$425

Thursday/Friday One Design + Saturday/Sunday LTYC Regatta:

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

Saturday & Sunday - LTYC Regatta ONLY:

Non-Spinnaker	\$200
Up to 40' LOA	\$250
40' - 50' LOA	\$325
Over 50' LOA	\$425

7.2 Each application received after June 30, 2015, 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/. 2015 LMPHRF ratings are required - see Attachment A.

9. Sailing Instructions

Sailing instructions will be available at www.ltyc.org and at registration.

10. Venue

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

11. Courses

- 11.1The courses for Thursday & Friday will be windward-leeward, with from 2 to 6 legs. A windward offset mark may be used. A leeward gate may be used.
- 11.2 The courses for Saturday and Sunday are multi-leg "Tour of the Bay" race of multiple legs utilizing 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.

12. Scoring

- 12.1 PHRF Classes will be scored Time-on-Time.
- 12.2 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.
- 12.3 There will be no throw-out race in the series. This changes RRS Appendix A2.
- 12.4 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.5 Overall winners of the One Design series and the LTYC Annual Regatta will be determined from the winners of each class based on performance.

13. Social

- 13.1Friday after racing The Ugotta Regatta party at the Irish Boat Shop for crews and family, including beer, band, brats, and banter.
- 13.2 Saturday and Sunday mornings the Little Traverse Sailors will present a fund-raising Pancake Breakfast at the Club.
- 13.3 Saturday, after racing-party, complimentary food and cash bar at LTYC.
- 13.4 Sunday, after racing awards presentation, complimentary food and cash bar at LTYC.

14. 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.

15. Accommodations

Information on housing in the area will be available at www.ltyc.org.

16. 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.

17. Prizes

Flags 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.

18. 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.

19. Further Information

For further information, or questions regarding the regatta, please contact LTYC (231-526-7919) www.ltyc.org

or

Regatta Chairperson: Debi Schoenherr: debi.sailing@gmail.com

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.

Attachment A

Lake Michigan PHRF (LMPHRF) will accept a \$30 dollar certificate fee under these conditions:

- 1. The owner is from outside the LMPHRF region.
- 2. The owner must submit a current PHRF certificate from another fleet, if they have one; complete the LMPHRF new boat application (completely filled out) with an accompanying ORR or IRC certificate. This is to help verify dimensions uses for LMPHRF handicapping. Copies of the most recent sail maker measurement certificates would be appropriate. When the data is incomplete and a certificate may be generated, the BHCP will be adjusted or assessed a -12 sec/nm penalty. (incomplete applications cannot be certified, thus the penalty)
- 3. The application for a certificate must be received at least 15 days before the regatta! No last minute applications to avoid an expedited certificate fee of \$120.

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Link to the application:	http://www.lmphrf.org/MoHull.pdf			

For 2015 only: LMPHRF will accept LTYC new boat applications for a fee of \$45 instead of \$65 until a March 15th deadline. Applications must be complete - sail maker measurements are strongly encouraged. Returning boats from last year's Ugotta Regatta can qualify at the renewal rate instead of the new rate if they show their 2014 certificate and want to buy a 'full' certificate for this area.

Email me Bruce Hubble at Bruce@Hubbleinsurance.com for additional information.