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--NOTICE OF RACE Amendment 1--

The Duluth Yacht Club (DYC) is the Organizing Authority for the Trans Superior International Yacht Race on August 7, 2021. Further information can be found at <https://www.duluthyachtclub.com> and <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=13247>. The race is part of the Lake Superior Yachting Association Offshore Series.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *Racing Rules of Sailing* for 2021-2024 (RRS). US Sailing Prescriptions will apply.
- 1.2. RRS 52 MANUAL POWER is changed by adding:
Except that Single, Double and Cruising Class boats may use electronic autopilots.
- 1.3. RRS 64.2 Penalties is changed by adding:
When the protest committee decides that a boat party to a protest hearing has broken a rule and is not exonerated, it may add one hour to the aforementioned boat's corrected finish time.
- 1.4. Boats must carry and display navigational lights in compliance with the government right-of-way rules, the Inland Rules (often referred to as the COLREGS or IRPCAS). Sidelights must be located so no sail will interfere with their visibility.
- 1.5. The government right-of-way rules, the Inland Rules (often referred to as the COLREGS or IRPCAS), replaces RRS Part 2 from sunset to sunrise.
- 1.6. LMPHRF Rules and Regulations for yachts racing in the PHRF division.
- 1.7. Offshore Racing Congress (ORC) for monohulls racing in the ORC division.
- 1.8. Great Lakes Multihull Racing Association (GLMRA) for multihulls racing in the GLMRA division.
- 1.9. Trans Superior Safety Requirements and Recommendations (SRR).

1.10. Single-Handed Division Special Sailing Instructions will apply to Single-Handed Division. These sailing instructions will be available on the Trans Superior website www.transsuperior.com.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1. The Sailing Instructions are available on the Yacht Scoring and on the Tran Superior websites.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

3.1. All boats must monitor VHF Ch. 68 for race start communications.

3.2. All boats must monitor emergency/hailing VHF Ch. 16 throughout the race.

3.3. Prearranged radio transmission or phone calls used for routing purposes by individual competitors are forbidden.

4. ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY, RACE FEES

4.1. Entries must be made using the official entry form on Yacht Scoring www.yachtscoring.com and be accompanied by the entry fee. Additional information for entry will be available on the Trans Superior web-site www.transsuperior.com. Single handed entries should also check the GLSS website for additional information and requirements.

4.2. Race entry fee of \$425.00 Single and Double Handed \$475 Crewed Yachts (includes race tracking device)

4.3. The Deadline for completed and paid entry without a late fee is July 5th, 2021. After the July 5th deadline, entries will be accepted with a \$100 late fee and without the guarantee of a race tracker for your vessel. All entry fees are non-refundable.

4.4. Only boats which have submitted all of the following will be accepted as official entries:

4.4.1. A completed official entry through Yacht Scoring

4.4.2. A current ratings certificate for the division in which the boat is entered (LMPHRF, ORC or GLMRA). Cruising class and doublehanded entries without a LMPHRF certificates will be assigned a rating by the Race Committee.

4.4.3. A Current Life Raft Certification, or signed Anti-Exposure Suit Certification, as applicable.

4.4.4. Copies of documentation for proof of insurance.

4.5. Boats must have suitable auxiliary propulsion power and adequate fuel on board for running at least 75 nautical miles under power.

4.6. [DP] Boats must have sail numbers in accordance with RRS 77.

4.7. [DP] The Person in Charge, or a qualified representative designated by the Person in Charge of each entrant, must attend the skippers' meeting. The skippers' meeting will take place at 1700 hrs. EDT, Friday, August 6th, in the vicinity of the George Kemp Marina, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan.

4.8. The Duluth Yacht Club Protest Committee shall have the authority to resolve questions of eligibility and/or compliance with entry requirements.

5. DIVISIONS

5.1. There will be six race divisions:

5.1.1. PHRF Crewed

5.1.2. ORC Crewed

5.1.3. Multihull Crewed

5.1.4. Single Handed

5.1.5. Double Handed

5.1.6. Cruising Class (roller furling headsails, cruising spinnakers, and a laid-back spirit)

5.2. Classes within the divisions will be determined by the race committee after entries are closed.

6. STARTING TIME and DATE

6.1. The Trans Superior International Yacht Race will take place on Saturday, August 7th, 2021.

6.2. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first start will be at 1300 hrs EST.

7. RACING AREA and COURSE

7.1. The Trans Superior International Yacht Race area is Lake Superior.

7.2. The race starts in the vicinity of Gros Cap Light in Whitefish Bay, near Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, and finishes near the entrance to the Duluth Entry in Duluth, Minnesota. Boats are required to leave Copper Harbor, Michigan to port. Boats may pass through or around the Apostle Islands. The official race distance is 326 Nautical Miles.

8. SCORING

8.1. Corrected times will be determined using the boat's PHRF and time-on-time calculations.

8.2. No scores will be excluded.

9. TRACKING SYSTEM

9.1. A race tracking system will be providing fleet tracking on a real time basis during the event. A website will be set up which will allow interested spectators to monitor the progress of boats across the course.

10. CREW LIMITATIONS

10.1. For the divisions other than the single or double handed division, the minimum crew shall be two persons in addition to the skipper (total of 3 crew). Each crew profile shall be fully completed electronically in Yacht Scoring, including the online execution of the Crew Waiver by the crew member, before the skipper's meeting. The Person-In-Charge shall ensure that each crew member has provided a unique valid email address and cell phone number.

11. ADVERTISING

- 11.1. Advertising on a boat shall comply with the requirements of World Sailing Regulation 20. An entry shall contain brief details of advertising that a boat intends to carry. The Race Committee shall be advised of any changes to that advertising. The Race Committee may reject any advertising not compliant with Regulation 20.
- 11.2. If supplied, a boat shall display the sponsor's bow decals and backstay flags in accordance with Regulation 20.
- 11.3. The Race Committee shall be the only party that may initiate any protest regarding a possible breach of this section. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

12. EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS

- 12.1. Boats may be subject to inspection before and after the race, and the Race Committee shall penalize or protest any boat not in compliance with the Regulations. Penalties and protests will be handled by the Duluth Yacht Club Protest Committee. Each finishing vessel will be subjected to a limited spot inspection. A 20% penalty may be assessed if required safety items cannot be produced.
- 12.2. Under no circumstances shall the safety regulations be construed as a certification of the seaworthiness of any boat, nor can the OA or its designated inspectors guarantee or be held liable for the safety of a boat, its equipment, or its crew.

13. AWARDS

13.1. TRANS SUPERIOR

- 13.1.1. Boat and skipper's names will be added to trophies on permanent display for 1st place in each division and for 1st boat to cross the finish line. Flags will be awarded to the boats scoring 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each class. The Bagley Trophy will be awarded to the first overall Duluth Area crewed, Duluth Area owned, DYC member boat. A sweeper award will also be awarded to the last boat to finish in honor of their tenacity and grit.

13.2. TRI-LAKES CHALLENGE: The Barthel Trophy

- 13.2.1. The Barthel Trophy will be awarded to the 1st place overall in the Tri-Lakes Challenge. This trophy is presented by the Great Lakes Yacht Racing Union and is awarded to the boat with the best combined record for the Chicago Yacht Club Race to Mackinac, the Bayview Mackinac Race, and Trans Superior Races. The Barthel Trophy is on permanent display in the Kitchi Gammi Club in Duluth. A commemorative plaque will be awarded to the winner of the Barthel Trophy to recognize this outstanding achievement.

14. CONDUCT

- 14.1. The person-in-charge shall be responsible for the conduct of the crew before, during and after the Race while at Race related locations for Race related events. In the event of a serious misconduct, destruction of property or failure to comply with a request of the Race Committee, the Race Committee may file a protest or take such other action as it deems appropriate against the Person-In-Charge, boat and crew.

15. RISK STATEMENT AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 15.1.** The safety of a boat and her crew is the exclusive and inescapable responsibility of the Person in Charge, who must assure that the boat is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy, and manned by experienced crew who are physically fit. The skipper of a boat must be satisfied as to the soundness of the hull, spars, rigging, sails, and all gear. They must assure that all equipment is properly maintained and stowed and that the crew knows where it is kept and how it is to be used. Neither the establishment of equipment regulations nor any inspecting of a boat in any way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of a boat's Person-in-Charge. It is the sole and exclusive responsibility of the Person-in-Charge and crew of a boat to decide whether or not to start or continue a race.
- 15.2.** Competitors participate in these races entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.
- 15.3.** 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.

16. INSURANCE

- 16.1.** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-part liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000.

IMPORTANT DATES

July 5, 2021 Monday

- Deadline for completed registration and payment. Entry must include:
 - a. A completed official entry through Yacht Scoring
 - b. Race entry fee of \$425.00 Single and Double Handed \$475 Crewed Yachts (includes race tracking device)
 - c. A current ratings certificate for the division in which the boat is entered (LMPHRF, ORC or GLMRA). Cruising class and doublehanded entries without a LMPHRF certificate will be assigned a rating by the DYC Ratings Chair.
 - d. A Current Life Raft Certification, or signed Anti-Exposure Suit Certification, as applicable.
 - e. Copies of documentation for proof of insurance
- Send all documents electronically to transsuperioryachtrace@gmail.com or by mail to Duluth Yacht Club, P.O. Box 18, Duluth, MN 55801

August 6, 2021 Friday

- Mandatory Skippers' Meeting at 1700 (EDT) Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan in the vicinity of George Kemp Marina with social to follow. Exact location of the skippers meeting will be posted on the Trans Superior web-site.
- Each crew profile shall be fully completed electronically in Yacht Scoring, including the online execution of the Crew Waiver by the crew member, before the skipper's meeting

August 7, 2021 Saturday

Early morning fleet lock-through at the Soo Locks. There may be multiple lock-through times on both the Canadian and American sides.

August 8, 2021 Sunday

Race Headquarters in Duluth opens at 1000 (CDT) hrs at a location to be determined. Race Headquarters will remain open until all competing yachts have finished. The phone number for

race headquarters will be posted on the website www.TransSuperior.com one week before the race.

August 12, 2021 Thursday

Trans Superior Race Awards Party, 5pm CDT. Cocktails and dinner at a location to be determined in Duluth.

For the most up-to-date information visit the web-site
www.transsuperior.com.