

2015 I-LYA STEEPLECHASE & DEEPWATER RACES

July 29 – 30, 2015

Organizing Authority: Inter-Lake Yachting Association

Host: Put-in-Bay Yacht Club, Put-in-Bay, Ohio

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the current rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. RRS 60.1(a) is changed to prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of a class rule requiring class membership.
- 1.3. US Sailing Prescriptions to Rule 63.2, 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.4. Encounters with government or commercial vessels shall not be grounds for redress.
- 1.5. In the event of a conflict between the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS rule 63.7.

2. ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY, AND PLACEMENT

- 2.1. This event is open to members of US SAILING or other National Authorities, members of recognized yacht clubs, members of recognized sailing class associations, and others as may be designated by the Organizing Authority.
- 2.2. The Organizing Authority shall, at its sole discretion, determine eligibility and placement within divisions.
- 2.3. Eligible boats shall register using online registration or by mailing the completed entry form together with all fees and the appropriate, valid rating-measurement certificate, in time to arrive by the specified deadlines.
- 2.4. Online registration and mail-in forms are available at www.i-lya.org
- 2.5. Competitors not registering online shall mail their completed registration to:

I-LYA Deepwater Registrar
2600 Seneca Dr.
London, OH 43140-9024
- 2.6. Deadline for receipt of registrations is 2359 hours, Sunday, July 26, 2015.
- 2.7. The acceptance of registrations received after the specified deadline is at the sole discretion of the Organizing Authority and, if accepted, is subject to a late fee of \$10.00.
- 2.8. Only those boats whose registration and fees have been received before the registration deadline as stated in 2.6 will be included in the class and divisional splits.
- 2.9. A minimum of five (5) boats registered before the above deadline shall be required to be considered a One Design Class.

3. FEES

- 3.1. The race fees for all Deepwater and Steeplechase races are \$40.00.
- 3.2. There will be no refunds of fees after the Registration deadline. Any refunds requested before the registration deadline will be subject to a cancellation fee of \$ 5.00.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

4.1. Deepwater / Steeplechase

<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>First Warning</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>First Warning</u>
Cleveland	July 29	17:25	Toledo	July 30	09:55
Sandusky	July 30	09:55	Grosse Ile	July 30	09:55
Sandusky Steeplechase		08:55	Port Clinton	July 30	09:55

5. MEASUREMENT

- 5.1. Each boat shall conform to its class rules.
- 5.2. Casual Cruising division competitors will not be required to submit a measurement certificate. Boats without a current certificate will be assigned a temporary rating at the discretion of the Organizing Authority which shall be valid for this regatta only and cannot be appealed.
- 5.3. In the event of a conflict between rating authorities, a temporary rating will be assigned at the discretion of the Organizing Authority which shall be valid for this regatta only and cannot be appealed.
- 5.4. A boat and/or its equipment may be inspected, or directed to a place for inspection, at any time for compliance with Class Rules, the Sailing Instructions, and this Notice of Race.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. Deepwater/Steeplechase Sailing Instructions and Skipper's Packets will be available at their respective locations as follows:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
Cleveland	July 29	14:00-15:30
Grosse Ile	July 30	07:45
Port Clinton	July 30	08:30
Sandusky	July 30	07:30
Toledo	July 29	21:00

7. VENUE

- 7.1. Steeplechase & Deepwater – On or about the open waters of Lake Erie.

8. COURSE AND COURSE CONFIGURATION

- 8.1. The course to be sailed, the marks to be rounded, the order of each mark and the side to which each mark is to be rounded will be specified in the Sailing Instructions for each location.

9. SCORING

- 9.1. The Low-Point System of Appendix A will be used.
- 9.2. Each boat shall completely and accurately fill out and deposit a "Finish Card" in the receptacle provided by the official notice board at Put-In-Bay Yacht Club within three hours after finishing.
- 9.3. Finish Cards will be provided as part of the Sailing Instructions or included in the Skippers Package.
- 9.4. Failure to accurately fill-out or turn in a finish card may result in a score of Did Not Finish (DNF).

10. AWARDS

10.1. Prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place finishes in each class.

11. DOCKAGE

11.1. Dockage is not included in the race fees for any of the Deepwater or Steeplechase races. Check www.i-lya.org for information on availability and preregistration for dockage on Wednesday night.

12. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid, third-party insurance sufficient to cover liability for loss, damage, personal injury, or death.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

14. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Organizing Authority Website – <http://www.i-lya.org>

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