



Notice of Race (NOR)

Windsor Yacht Club
Wednesday Night Race Series
May 17 – September 27, 2023

1) RULES

- 1.1 The above events will be governed by the rules defined in the *2021-24 Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS). These include sailing instructions provided by the Windsor Yacht Club (WYC).
- 1.2 RRS 62.1 “Redress” and RRS A2 “Series Scores” may be changed by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3 The U.S. Sailing prescriptions to the RRS shall apply, including those crossing into Canadian waters.
- 1.4 The Organizing Authority for this regatta series is the Windsor Yacht Club (WYC).

2) ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The above events are open to all boats owned by clubs, or members of clubs, holding current memberships in the Detroit River Yachting Association (DRYA) and to others at the invitation of the WYC.
- 2.2 All Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (PHRF) handicaps will be assigned by the Midwest Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (MWPHRF). Spinnaker Boats will use the Random Leg Handicap (DHCP) rating. To obtain a valid MWPHRF certificate please visit their website; www.mwphrf.org MWPHRF PO Box 916, Marinette, WI 54143, (218) 390-1776.
- 2.3 Boats racing without an MWPHRF or assigned rating will not be scored.
- 2.4 Online entry is required. Paper entries will not be accepted. Online registration and electronic entry fee payment are available at <https://yachtscoring.com> by April 1, 2023 (Spring and Fall series), August 1, 2023 (fall series) or 48-hours before an individual race (for single race participants).
- 2.5 Fees:
 - 2.5.1 WYC members are \$110.00 for both spring and fall series, \$60.00 for fall series only, or \$15.00 for each race.
 - 2.5.2 For non-WYC members are \$150.00 for both spring and fall series, \$80.00 for fall series only, or \$20.00 for each race.
 - 2.5.3 All fees are due and payable in Canadian dollars—US dollars accepted at par.
- 2.6 Boats are to register a minimum of 48-hours before the start of the series or individual race (single race only).
- 2.7 Failure to register by the applicable deadline will result in the boat not being scored.
- 2.8 In cases of force majeure or on the grounds of administrative orders (e.g., public health), border restrictions, or safety reasons, the organizer is entitled to make changes in the event's realization or cancel the event. Participants may withdraw their registration without financial penalty should the regatta be significantly altered or cancelled due to these reasons.

3) SCHEDULE

- 3.1 The Spring Series will be held on May 17, 24, 31 and June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2023.
- 3.2 The Fall Series will be held on August 16, 23, 30 and September 6, 13, 20, 27 2023

3.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for each race is 1855 hrs.

4) MEASUREMENT

4.1 Each boat shall provide a valid rating certificate during registration **or** at a minimum of 48-hours before the boat's first race be listed on the most current MWPHRF list(s).

5) SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 The Sailing Instructions will be made available online after May 1, 2023, through www.yachtscoring.com or on the WYC website www.windsoryachtclub.com/race.

5.2 Questions regarding the notice of race or sailing instructions may be submitted in writing to the WYC Race Committee via email at race@windsoryachtclub.com. Responses from the race committee or jury will be posted to the official notice board and online.

6) VENUE/COURSES

6.1 The location of the courses will be designated in the Sailing Instructions provided by the WYC.

7) PENALTY SYSTEM

7.1 Penalties for breaking the rules in Part 2 of the RRS will be provided in RRS 44.1.

8) SCORING SYSTEM

8.1 Boats in all classes will be scored according to their corrected times, calculated on a time-on-time basis.

8.2 The Low Point Scoring System (RRS Appendix A) will apply.

8.3 Boats will be scored and listed after each race on the WYC website www.windsoryachtclub.com or via www.yachtscoring.com.

9) AWARDS

9.1 Awards will be given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each class.

9.2 Awards will be presented at the WYC Awards Banquet on October 14, 2023. Event details will be available online at www.windsoryachtclub.com by September 1, 2023.

10) SUPPORT BOATS

10.1 Support boats shall display a flag marked "RC."

11) RADIO COMMUNICATION

11.1 Except in an emergency, a racing boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data transmissions that are not available to all ships.

11.2 Radio communication shall be via VHF Radio CH72.

12) COURTESY BROADCASTS

- 12.1** An unofficial designated observer may report all visual signals displayed by the Race Committee over the VHF CH72. Information so noted is provided as a courtesy to competitors and does not alter the competitors' responsibility to observe the Race Committee's visual signals, which govern the conduct of the racing. The observer's errors or omissions or a competitor's failure to hear an observer's report will not be grounds for redress.
- 12.2** All boats are urged to designate a crew member to monitor VHF CH72 at all times during the event.

13) DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 13.1** Competitors participate in the WYC Wednesday Night Race Series at their own risk. See RRS 3 "Decision to Race." The responsibility for the decision to participate in a race or to continue with it is solely with the skipper; to that extent, the skipper also accepts full responsibility for the crew. The skipper is responsible for the qualification and the correct nautical conduct of the crew and the suitability and the transport-safe-condition of the registered boat. The WYC or the WYC Race Committee will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, before, during, or after the Wednesday Night Race Series.
- 13.2** The Laws of the Province of Ontario shall prevail.

14) INSURANCE

- 14.1** The owner of each participating yacht is responsible for maintaining liability insurance on their vessel. A minimum of \$300,000.00 liability coverage is recommended. A valid Certificate of Insurance is to be provided at the time of registration.

15) CHANGING SAIL CONFIGURATION

- 15.1** For all MWPHRF declaration of sail configurations, SPIN, ASM or JAM must be made for the entire Wednesday Night Race Series. To change the configuration in mid-season, the same process shall be used as changing the class designation.

16) FURTHER INFORMATION

- 16.1** For further information, contact WYC Race Chairman Carol Crooks by email at race@windsoryachtclub.com or via phone at 519-965-6872.