

GREEN ISLAND RACE

September 3, 2023



Organizing Authority & Host Club: Port Clinton Yacht Club

Sailing instructions

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* except as altered by the Sailing Instructions.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the "Official Notice Board" located at the Port Clinton Yacht Club main entrance.

3 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any changes in the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0800 on the day it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Yardarm on the riverfront.

4.2 When flag 'AP' is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced by "not less than 30 minutes" in race signal AP. This changes the RRS.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Races are scheduled as follows: **Sunday, September 3, 2022**. First race: **0935**

5.2 The Race Committee will attempt to maintain 5-minute rolling starts.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class	Class Flag	Signals
		0830 1-hour Gun
Beach Cats	White/Black Logo	0930 Warning 0935 Start
ARC – Cruising Non-Spinnaker, Dacron Sails ONLY	Pennant 1	
JAM "A", "B"	Numeral Pennant 2	
J/24	J/24 Class Flag	
Multihull	White	
PHRF "C", "D"	Dark Green	
PHRF "A", "B"	Blue	

7 RACING AREA

7.1 The racing area will be the western basin of Lake Erie, north of the Port Clinton Yacht Club.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The Starting & finishing line will be east northeast of the Portage river harbor light. Regardless of wind direction, the start will be toward the first mark of the course.

8.2 The marks of the course are the Starting line [**N41.31.420 W82.55.35**], Green Island [**N41.38.736 W82.51.614**], "D" Can [**N41.38.577 W82.57.388**], and back to the Start/Finish line, crossing the line in the reverse direction of the Start.

8.3 The direction of sailing the course may be reversed by the Race Committee.

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- 8.4** The direction which marks are to be left will be indicated by the Race Committee and flown below the "RC" flag. Flags are **"Red" – indicating marks to be left to Port, or "Green" – indicating marks to be left to Starboard.**
- 9 MARKS**
- 9.1 The start/finish marks will be Yellow inflatable buoys. Green Island mark will be a 5 ft. Yellow inflatable buoy. The "D" Can is a Yellow Nun range marker.
- 10 THE START**
- 10.1 Races will be started using *Rule 26* with classes starting in the order designated in section 6 of the Sailing Instructions.
- 10.2 The original starting order and class starts will be maintained after postponement.
- 10.3 The Starting line will be between a staff attached as an extension to the Race Committee Signal Boat displaying a 'RC' flag at the starboard end, and the port end starting mark.
- 10.4 A 'Limiting' mark may be set by the Race Committee behind the transom of the Race Committee Signal Boat. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area.
- 11 THE FINISH**
- 11.1 The 'Finish' line will be a staff attached as an extension to the Race Committee Signal Boat displaying a 'RC' flag at the starboard end, and the port end finishing mark.
- 12 TIME LIMITS**
- 12.1 The time limit for this race will be **1830** hours.
- 12.2 Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored 'Did Not Finish' (**DNF**). This changes rule 35 and A4.1
- 13 PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS**
- 13.1 Protest forms are available at the registration desk. Protests shall be delivered to the Principal Race Officer within the protest time limit.
- 13.2 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the Race Committee Signal Boat docks.
- 13.3 The same time limit applies to all protests by the Race Committee and to requests for redress.
- 13.4 Protest notices will be posted within 10 minutes of the protest time limit (on the 'Official Notice Board') to inform competitors of hearings in which they are a parties, or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Port Clinton Yacht Club beginning at the close of the protest time limit.
- 14 SCORING**
- 14.1 The race will be scored as provided in Appendix A of the 'RRS'. The "Time on Distance" handicapping system will be used.
- 14.2 A minimum of three (3) boats are required to constitute a fleet for each class.
- 15 SAFETY REGULATIONS**
- 15.1 A boat that retires from racing shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 16 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**
- 16.1 A boat or equipment at minimum must meet minimum offshore safety requirements. The Race Committee in its sole discretion reserves the right to inspect yachts up to the required check-in time for compliance with class rules and sailing instructions.
- 17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
- 17.1 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 or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 18 INSURANCE**

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- 18.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with adequate coverage amounts.
- 18.2 If a Race Committee boat is damaged as a result of a boat breaking a rule that boat shall pay for the repairs.