

Sawyer Bay Race
Saturday, August 27, 2022
Thunder Bay Yacht Club (TBYC)
Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 1.1 Changes to the sailing instructions and official notices will be posted at www.tbyc.on.ca/racing/races/races/offshore-series before 8:00 PM on the day before they will take effect.

2 Schedule

- 2.1 The competitors' meeting will be held at the Crew Bench between Pier 1 and Pier 2 at Prince Arthur's Landing Marina at 1100 on the scheduled day of the race.
- 2.2 The warning signal will be made at 1155.
- 2.3 Start at 1200.

3 Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals will not be made ashore.

4 Communications

- 4.1 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on Channel 16 and 72.
- 4.2 After the start, all boats shall monitor VHF channel 16.
- 4.3 While *racing*, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions, and shall not receive voice or data communication that are not available to all boats, except in an emergency.

6 Course

- 6.1 Option A:
Start off Prince Arthur's Landing Marina. Leave Hare Island buoy to port. Finish in Sawyer Bay.
- 6.2 Option B:
Start off Prince Arthur's Landing Marina. Leave Papoose Island to starboard. Finish in Sawyer Bay.
- 6.3 The Fleet Captain or designate will select the course to be sailed at the competitors' meeting.

7 The Start and Recalls

- 7.1 All classes will start together. The warning signal will be a flag displaying a letter A on a contrasting background.

- 7.2 The starting line will be between the course side of an inflatable orange tetrahedron at the port end, and a staff displaying an "RC" flag at the starboard end.
- 7.3 All classes will start together.
- 7.4 The "RC" flag will be displayed approximately five minutes before the warning signal is made.
- 7.5 The race will start using RRS 26 with the warning signal made five minutes before the start signal.
- 7.6 The Fleet Captain or designate may modify the starting procedure at the competitors' meeting. This changes RRS 26.

8 The Finish

- 8.1 The port end of the finishing line will be the end of the dock by the old fishermen's cabin on the east side of Sawyer Bay, and the starboard end of the finishing line will be the mooring ball nearest the cabin located at N48° 22.023', W088° 51.966'm (coordinates are approximate).
- 8.2 The first boat to *finish* shall record her GPS finishing time, remain on station for one hour near the finishing line, and record the GPS finishing times of all boats that finish during that time. Finishing times shall be reported to the Fleet Captain or designate at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 8.3 If the first boat to *finish* is no longer on station, a boat that *finishes* shall record her GPS finishing time, and (if reasonably possible), the names or sail numbers of the boats that *finish* next before and/or next after it. Finishing times and positions shall be reported to the Fleet Captain or designate at the first reasonable opportunity.

9 Protests

- 9.1 A *protest* shall be made in writing and delivered to the Fleet Captain or designate within two hours after the last boat in the race *finishes* of the race committee boat's recorded docking time. A *protest* may be delivered by text message or email provided it includes the required information (RRS 61.2) and is sent within the time limit for delivery.
- 9.2 Request for Hearing forms may be used to make a *protest* or request for redress in writing. The forms are available at www.tbyc.on.ca/forms-and-documents.
- 9.3 *Protests* and requests for redress will be heard by a protest committee of three or more people. The protest committee members and chair will be appointed by the Fleet Captain or designate, and shall be full or racing members of TBYC (preferred), or full or racing members of Temple Reef Sailing Club.

10 Safety

- 10.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify other competitors and the Fleet Captain or designate at the first reasonable opportunity
- 10.2 A boat's person-in-charge shall attend the competitors' meeting.
- 10.3 A boat shall carry a GPS receiver and paper or electronic charts suitable for navigation.
- 10.5 A boat shall carry a 25 watt VHF transceiver connected to a masthead antennae.

11 Prizes

- 11.1 A plaque on the Dieter Bommers Memorial Trophy is awarded to the winning boat in each class.

12 Risk Statement

- 12.1 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.**

13 Further Information

- 13.1 For further information please contact the TBYC Fleet Captain, Geoff Hall: Email denlow@live.ca, or phone 807-473-7556.