

Fall Series
Thunder Bay Yacht Club
Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada

NOTICE OF RACE

The organizing authority (OA) is the Thunder Bay Yacht Club (TBYC).

The notation [DP] in a rule in the Notice of Race means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

The notation [NP] in a rule in the Notice of Race means that breaches in this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1 (a).

The Fall Series is a two day series with the first day consisting up to three short-course, buoy races named Harbour Loops, and the second day consisting of a short distance off-shore race named the Around the Welcomes.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) 2017- 2020.
- 1.2 Each boat shall comply with all Transport Canada and other applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Official notices, changes to this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions, will be posted on the TBYC website (www.tbyc.on.ca) no later than 8:00 PM on the day before they take effect.

3 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 A TBYC member-owned boat that is registered for TBYC full-season or half-season racing is eligible to race.
- 3.2 A boat owned by a member of a recognized yacht club (including TBYC) that submits a completed TBYC Race Registration and Waiver Form, fee of \$ 40.00 per race, and proof of insurance (third-party liability with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000) is eligible to race.
- 3.3 A boat may not be scored if its Race Registration and Waiver Form, fee, and proof of insurance are not received before racing.
- 3.4 A Full, Co-owner, Racing, or Associate member shall be aboard a TBYC member-owned boat while it is racing.
- 3.5 A boat's person-in-charge or designate shall attend the competitors' meetings.
- 3.6 Prior to racing the Race Committee will assign competing boats to a division by grouping boats of similar ratings with consideration for the total number of boats registered to race.

4 SCHEDULE (2019)

- 4.1 Harbour Loops - Saturday, September 14. Around the Welcomes - Sunday September 15.
- 4.2 No more than four races will be sailed.
- 4.3 A competitors' meeting will take place at 11 AM each scheduled race day at the Crew Bench between Pier 1 and Pier 2 at Prince Arthur's Landing Marina.
- 4.4 The warning signal for the first race will be made at 11:55 AM on each scheduled race day.
- 4.5 No warning signal will be made after 4 PM.
- 4.6 Abandoned races will not be re-sailed.

5 INSPECTION AND MEASUREMENT

A boat and its equipment may be inspected or measured at any reasonable time, including before or after a race for compliance with the rules.

6 RATINGS

A boat shall have a valid LMPHRF certificate (preferred), or valid 2019 TBYC PHRF rating, or shall be assigned a PHRF rating by the Race Committee. The assigned rating shall not be subject to protest or request for redress. This changes RRS 78.2.

7 VENUE

Racing may take place anywhere in or near the port of Thunder Bay, inside or outside the harbour breakwall. Appendix A shows the location of the racing areas. The area bounded in red is the racing area for the Harbour Loops. The course for the Burke Shoal Race is shown with a black line.

8 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be:

- 8.1 Harbour Loops:
 - 8.1.1 Windward/leeward courses around inflatable marks, outside the breakwall, or
 - 8.1.2 Inside the breakwall around fixed navigational marks using the Monday Evening North Course, or the Friday Evening South Course. The Race Committee will select the course that provides the best upwind start.
- 8.2 Burke Shoal: Starts and finishes near Pier 1; 14.7 nm around the Welcome Islands and Welcome Island Shoal (A6).

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

The first two sentences of rule RRS 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-turns Penalty."

10 SCORING

- 10.1 The series will be scored according to RRS Appendix A.
- 10.2 The Harbour Loops races will be scored using the PHRF time-on-time method. The Burke Shoal race will be scored using PHRF time-on-distance method.

- 10.3 A race shall not be scored unless three or more boats, counting all divisions, come to the starting area.
- 10.4 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.5 All race scores will be included in scoring the series. This changes RRS Appendix A2.1.
- 10.6 If more than one race is completed, the number of boats scored in the series shall be the greatest number of boats that finished two races.

11 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions, and shall not receive voice or data communication that are not available to all boats. [DP]

12 PRIZES

- 12.1 The C.A. Auld Sailing trophy (keeper plaque) is awarded annually to the winner of the Burke Shoal race.
- 12.2 The Lake Superior Sailing Trophy (keeper plaque) is awarded annually to the winner of the Fall Series.

13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority and it's race committee, protest committee, race officers, sponsors, members, directors, guests, employees, and volunteers, will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the series.

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information contact TBYC Fleet Captain, Bob Vander Ploeg at bobvp@shaw.ca or 807-630-3745.

APPENDIX A

