Lake Superior Houghton to Bayfield - August 1, 2024

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 Changes to Sailing Instructions

1.1 Changes to the sailing instructions will be announced at the competitors' meeting.

2 Schedule

- 2.1 Skippers' meeting will be 9:00 am, onAugust 10, 2018 at the East Houghton Pavillion.
- 2.2 The warning signal will be made at 1155.
- 2.3 Start at 1200. The start line will be at the west end of Portage Canal, this will be covered at the Skippers meeting.

3 Communications

- 3.1 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on Channel 16 and 72.
- 3.2 After the start, all boats shall monitor VHF channel 16.
- 3.3 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.

4 Course

The course will be as follows: start at the west entry to the Portage Canal between the flashing green on the circular cofferdam and the flashing white light on the lighthouse, Leave Grants pt. marker to Starboard, finish off the main dock/break wall within 200 feet at the end of Rittenhouse Avenue in Bayfield.

5 The Start and Recalls

- 5.1 All classes will start together.
- 5.2 Sound signals only will be made from a competing boat to signal the warning at 1155, preparatory at 1156, one minute at 1159, and start at 1200. The race will *start* at 1200 by GPS time even if the sound signals are advanced, delayed, or absent. This changes RRS 26.
- 5.3 Additional instructions may be provided at the competitors' meeting.
- 5.4 There will be no recalls. If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at the start time, it shall sail until its hull is completely on the pre-start side of the starting line before *starting*.

6 The Finish

- 6.1 Finish off the main dock/break wall within 200 feet at the end of Rittenhouse Avenue in Bayfield.
- 6.2 All boats are to record their own GPS times

7 Protests

- 7.1 A *protest* shall be made in writing and delivered to a LSYA representative within two hours after the last boat in the race *finishes*. 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.
- 7.2 Request for Hearing forms may be used to make a protest or request for redress in writing.
- 7.3 *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 LSYA Commodore

8 Safety

- 8.1 A boat that retires from the race shall notify other competitors and a LSYA representative at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 8.2 All competitors shall wear a life jacket or PFD at the start and finish
- 8.3 A boat's person-in-charge shall attend the competitors' meeting or make alternate arrangements with the race committee.
- 8.4 A boat shall carry a GPS receiver and paper or electronic charts suitable for navigation. 8.5

A boat shall carry a 25 watt VHF transceiver connected to a masthead antennae. .

9 Risk Statement

9.1 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.