

*LSYA Offshore Championship
AIS, DYC, TBYC
Lake Superior*

Notice of Race (NoR)

LSYA Offshore Championship.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of US Sailing to The Racing Rules of Sailing listed in Notice of Race Addendum A shall apply and will be posted on the LSYA Offshore Championship page on Yacht scoring.
- 1.3 The LSYA SC Notice of Race will serve for the overall LSYA Series. The hosting club's NOR & S.I. & Skippers Meeting will be used for the race they are sponsoring.
- 1.4 Each boat shall also comply with the following:
 - 1.4.1. [DP] All U.S. Coast Guard and other applicable governmental laws, rules, and regulations

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available on the LSYA Offshore Championship Yacht Scoring page after publication from the OA, or secondly on the site for the individual Sponsors Race page.
- 2.2 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the official notice board located on the LSYA Offshore Championship Yacht Scoring Page.
- 2.3 Attendance at each event's skipper's meeting is mandatory.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board is located on [Yacht Scoring](#).
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on 16, 68, and 72
- 3.4 [DP] Boats that are retiring or withdrawing shall notify the OA, RC.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all self-righting sailing yachts 20 feet in length or greater.
- 4.2 The event is open to all boats with a valid Mid-West PHRF (MWPHRF) rating system and shall have a current valid MWPHRF rating certificate onboard
- 4.3 Class definitions will be set no later than the start of the first qualifying event in the LSYA Offshore Series.
- 4.4 Boats may enter the event by registering online on [Yacht Scoring](#).
- 4.5 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
 - 4.5.1. A completed entry form, which can be found on the relevant yacht scoring event page.
 - 4.5.2. Pay all fees, via Paypal, Check or Cash to LSYA.
 - 4.5.3. Proof of insurance.

5 FEES

- 5.1 Entry fees for inclusion in the LSYA Championship will be as follows.

Class	Early Entry Fee until June 1st	Standard Fee
All Classes	\$125	\$150

- 5.2 A separate fee may apply for each hosting club.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1 There is no minimum or maximum crew requirement per yacht.
- 6.2 Each yacht is required to submit a list of all crew including name, address, date of birth, nationality and contact information. The crew list must be submitted to the LSYA no later than the skippers meeting of each race.

7 **SCHEDULE**

7.1 Dates of racing:

Date	Qualifying Races	Organizing Authority
June 25	Race to Bayfield	Duluth Yacht Club
June 27-28	Around the Islands	Apostle Islands Station WYC
August 2-3	Grand Marais to Thunder Bay	Thunder Bay Yacht Club
August 4-5	Thunder Bay to Houghton	Thunder Bay Yacht Club
August 6-7	Houghton to Bayfield	Duluth Yacht Club

8 **EQUIPMENT**

- 8.1 Each boat shall have a valid MWPHRF certificate.
- 8.2 All yachts shall have a working engine.
- 8.3 While racing all yachts shall carry the minimum safety equipment as required by the U.S. Coast Guard. Compliance with OSR Category III is strongly recommended.
- 8.4 All participating yachts are subject to random safety inspection
- 8.5 During the start of each race, and until a yacht has started, each crewmember onboard is required to wear a Coast Guard approved life preserver, these must be worn from sunset to sunrise and when fewer than two people are on deck, with safety harnesses also required.
- 8.6 All single and double handed boats may use autopilots.
- 8.7 All boats shall have a functional marine VHF radio and GPS, capable of recording longitude and latitude.
- 8.8 All boats shall have a functional marine Automatic Identification System (AIS) transponder
- 8.9 There may be additional requirements by the hosting club for each race, these will be in addition to the requirements here.

9 **SCORING**

- 9.1 The low point scoring system outlined in Appendix A4 of the RRS will be used.
- 9.2 The best 4 results of the season's scheduled races, per yacht, will be included in the total score calculation.
- 9.3 If there is a tie at the end of the series of races then the system outlined by Appendix A8 of the RRS will be used.

9.4 Refer to the LSYA website for information regarding divisions and division handicap split. Division splits will be determined at the first race and by the amount of boats entered in the LSYA S/C. A minimum of **5 per class** will be required before splitting. Single and Double handed will have their own division if necessary.

10 CONDITION OF PARTICIPATION

10.1 Code of Conduct. The registered competitor shall be responsible for conduct of the entire crew before, during, and after each Race, while at Race related locations for Race related events. See RRS 2 and 69.

11 RISK STATEMENT

11.1 Competitors participate in the races entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 3, 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 races.

12 [NP] INSURANCE

12.1 All yachts must carry adequate Liability insurance which shall include a General Liability policy written by a responsible insurance company insuring the owner and any operators against liability for bodily injury in limits of not less than \$300,000 and for property damage of not less than \$100,000.

13 PRIZES

13.1 Prizes will be given as follows: Flags for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place boat per division. The Championship trophy will be awarded to the top overall boat with no race drops.

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

14.1 For further information please use the contact form on LSYA.net