

*Superior Sailmakers Offshore Series 2022*  
*June 12 – September 17, 2022*  
*Thunder Bay Yacht Club (TBYC)*  
*Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada*

**NOTICE OF RACE**

**1 Rules**

1.1 The event is governed by:

- the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*,
- the current World Sailing Regulation 20, Advertising Code (available at [www.sailing.org](http://www.sailing.org))
- the Safety Equipment Requirements published in the current Transport Canada Safe Boater Guide (available at [www.tc.canada.ca/en/marine-transportation/marine-safety/office-boating-safety](http://www.tc.canada.ca/en/marine-transportation/marine-safety/office-boating-safety)), and
- The Midwest PHRF (MWPHRF) handicap rating system (available at [www.mwphrf.org](http://www.mwphrf.org)).

**2 Sailing Instructions**

2.1 The sailing instructions for each race in the series will be available at [www.tbyc.on.ca/racing/races/races/offshore-series](http://www.tbyc.on.ca/racing/races/races/offshore-series) before 2000 on the day before the scheduled start of that race.

**3 Eligibility, Entry, Fees and Payment**

3.1 A keelboat owned by a TBYC full, co-owner, or racing member in good standing is eligible to enter the series. A TBYC member in good standing or associate member shall be aboard the boat while it is racing.

3.2 A keelboat owned by a member in good standing of a yacht or sailing club recognized by the race committee is eligible to enter a single race. The owner shall be aboard the boat while it is racing.

3.3 A boat entered in the TBYC On Deck Wednesday Night series will be entered in the series if it starts any one of the scheduled races: no further registration or fee will be required.

3.4 An eligible boat may enter single races by submitting a completed Race Registration and Waiver Form, and valid MWPHRF Certificate (preferred) or TBYC PHRF Application Form to the Fleet Captain or designate (see Notice of Race 12, Further Information, below). Forms are available at [www.tbyc.on.ca/forms-and-documents](http://www.tbyc.on.ca/forms-and-documents).

3.5 A boat will not be scored if its entry documents have not been received prior to racing.

3.6 TBYC Members will be invoiced for their registration fee by the TBYC bookkeeper. A boat not owned by a TBYC full member, co-owner, or racing member in good standing shall make arrangements for payment with the Fleet Captain or designate before racing.

## **4 Advertising**

- 4.1 The right to display advertising on a boat is governed by World Sailing Regulation 20, Advertising Code (2021) which requires prior authorization by the relevant national authority, i.e., Sail Canada.

## **5 Schedule, Venue, and Courses**

- 5.1 The event consists of five races. The venue is Prince Arthur's Landing Marina, Thunder Bay, ON. The racing area is Thunder Bay and western Lake Superior. The dates and courses are:

- (a) Sunday, June 12 - Silver Islet Race, 19 nm. Start off Silver Islet, leave Thunder Cape to starboard, finish at Prince Arthur's Landing Marina. Competitors meeting at 1100 on Silver Islet dock. Start at 1200.
- (b) Saturday, July 23 - Spar Channel Race, 50 nm. Start at Prince Arthur's Landing Marina, leave Spar Island to port, leave Angus Island to port, finish at Prince Arthur's Landing Marina. Competitors' meeting at 1800 at the Crew Bench at Prince Arthur's Landing Marina. Start at 1900.
- (c) Tuesday, August 9 - International Race, 75 nm. Start at Prince Arthur's Landing Marina, finish at Grand Marais, MI, USA. Competitors' meeting at 1100 at the Crew Bench at Temple Reef Sailing Club on Pier 1 of Prince Arthur's Landing Marina. Start at 1200.
- (d) Saturday, August 27 - Sawyer Bay Race, 18 nm. Option A: start at Prince Arthur's Landing Marina, leave Hare Island buoy to port, finish in Sawyer Bay. Option B: start at Prince Arthur's Landing Marina, leave Papoose Island to starboard, finish in Sawyer Bay. Option A or B will be selected at the competitors' meeting on the day of the race. Competitors' meeting at 1100 at the crew bench at Prince Arthur's Landing Marina. Start at 1200.
- (e) Saturday, September 17 - Thunder Bay Triangle Race, 35 nm. Start at Prince Arthur's Landing Marina, leave Pie Island to starboard, finish at Prince Arthur's Landing Marina. Competitors' meeting at 1100. Start at 1200.

## **6 Inspection**

- 6.1 The race committee or its designate may inspect a boat and its equipment at any for compliance with the *Racing Rules of Sailing*, notice of race, sailing instructions, MWPFRF rules, or the Safety Equipment Requirements published in the current Transport Canada Safe Boater Guide. The race committee shall give reasonable notice to the boat's owner or person-in-charge before conducting an inspection.

## **7 Penalty System**

- 7.1 Rule 44.1 is changed to read: "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 one or more *rules* of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty."

## **8 Scoring**

- 8.1 A race will be *abandoned* unless three or more boats, counting all classes, come to the starting area.
- 8.2 Races will be scored using PHRF Time-on-Distance handicapping to correct boats' finishing places.
- 8.3 RRS A5.3 applies.
- 8.4 One race is required to be completed to constitute the series.
- 8.5 To win the series, a boat must complete three of the scheduled races, including either the Spar Channel Race or the International Race (or the Pie Island Race if the International Race is abandoned). This rule only applies if four or more of the scheduled races are scored.

## **9 Ratings**

- 9.1 Before the first race scheduled race, the race committee will assign all competing boats to one of class A, B, or C by grouping boats of similar ratings.
- 9.2 A boat shall provide a valid MWPHRF rating certificate (preferred) or a completed TBYC PHRF Rating Application Form to the race committee before racing: however, a boat's handicap rating will be assigned by the race committee. The race committee will assign a provisional rating for a boat design that is not rated by MWPHRF.
- 9.3 Any fundamental change to a boat, including but not limited to its hull, ballast, rigging, sail plan (including new sails), foils, or propulsion system shall be reported to the race committee.
- 9.4 The race committee may adjust a boat's previously assigned rating or provisional rating based on prevailing weather conditions, competitive balance, or alterations or modifications deemed to give the boat a competitive advantage or disadvantage.
- 9.5 A boat may appeal its assigned rating by requesting redress. The request should be supported by a valid MWPHRF rating certificate.

## **10 Risk Statement**

- 10.1 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.**

## **11 Insurance**

- 11.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$ 2,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

## **12 Further Information**

- 12.1 For further information please contact the TBYC Fleet Captain, Geoff Hall: Email [denlow@live.ca](mailto:denlow@live.ca), or phone 807-473-7556.