

Silver Islet Race
June 4, 2023
Thunder Bay Yacht Club (TBYC)
Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada

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 The competitors' meeting will be held on the Silver Islet Dock 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.

5 Course

- 5.1 *Start* off Silver Islet. Leave Thunder Cape to starboard. Sail through the main gap leaving Thunder Bay Main Lighthouse to starboard. *Finish* off Prince Arthur's Landing Marina.

6 The Start and Recalls

- 6.1 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.
- 6.2 The port end of the starting line will be the eastern end of Silver Islet, and the starboard end will be the eastern tip of Burnt Island.
- 6.3 All classes will start together.
- 6.4 Additional instructions may be provided at the competitors' meeting.
- 6.5 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*.

7 The Finish

- 7.1 There are four No Wake buoys off Prince Arthur's Landing Marina. The port end of the finishing line will be the No Wake buoy off the end of Pier 1, which is the second No Wake buoy counting from south to north. The starboard end of the finishing line will be the flagstaff on the end of Pier 1.
- 7.2 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 at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 7.3 If the first boat to *finish* is no longer on station, a boat that *finishes* shall record her GPS finishing time, and the names or sail numbers of the boats that *finish* next before and/or after it if reasonably possible. Finishing times and positions shall be reported to the Fleet Captain at the first reasonable opportunity.

8 Safety

- 8.1 A boat that retires from the race shall notify other competitors and the Fleet Captain at the first reasonable opportunity.

9 Prizes

- 9.1 A plaque on the Silver Islet Centennial Trophy is awarded annually to the winning boat in each class.

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 Further Information

- 11.1 For further information please contact the TBYC Fleet Captain, Bob Vander Ploeg: Email bobvdp60@gmail.com, or phone 807-630-3745.