

**ICEBREAKER RACE**  
**October 5, 2019**  
**M&M Yacht Club**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1. RULES**

- 1.1 The race will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 If a yacht is sailed singlehanded, mechanical and electro-mechanical steering devices are permitted, and movable hull appendages may be operated by other than manual means. This changes Rule 52.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.

**2. ENTRIES**

Eligible boats may enter by completing the registration form, providing their LMPHRF certificate and proof of insurance, and paying the required fee during the registration period. Cruising division yachts may omit the LMPHRF certificate.

**3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located indoors on the north wall of the M&M YC clubhouse.

**4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located at M&M Yacht Club. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the first warning signal will be made not less than one hour after flag AP is lowered. This changes Race Signals AP. Signals displayed from the Menominee Marina breakwall shall not be considered to be made ashore.

**5. SCHEDULE**

- 5.1 MANDATORY Skippers Meeting: Held at M&M YC Clubhouse at 10:00 AM on race day.
- 5.2 First warning (non-spinnaker and cruising): 10:55 AM, with start at 11:00 AM.
- 5.3 Subsequent warnings (if any) will follow 5 minutes after each start.

**6. CLASS FLAGS**

- 6.1 Class flags shall be numerical signal flags: #1 for spinnaker; #2 for non-spinnaker and cruising. If only one class races, the #1 flag will be used.

**7. START/FINISH LINE, COURSE, AND MARKS**

The start and finish line will lie between the northeast corner of the Menominee Marina breakwall and a yellow/orange striped pin located at approximately 45° 06.036'N, 87° 34.686'W.

**Total Length:** 9.98 nm -- See attached course map and description.

Race committee will offer an alternative light air course at the skippers meeting.

**8. THE START**

- 8.1 Skippers may choose between two start options at the skippers meeting. In either case, times shall be taken from visual signals. The absence of sound signals shall be ignored.
  - 8.1.a [Option 1] The race will be started using the RRS 26 system. Race committee will deliver a courtesy warning of five short horns one minute prior to the first warning.
  - 8.1.b [Option 2] The race will be started using the PHRF "Pursuit" staggered start system. Race committee will deliver a courtesy warning of four short horns one minute prior to the first warning of a RRS 26 starting sequence leading up to 1100. After that point each boat shall start at its assigned starting time. All cruising yachts will start at 1100.

**9. STARTING AREA RESTRICTION**

Boats shall keep clear of the starting area during the starting sequence for another division. Failure to do so may subject boats to protest from RC or fellow competitors.

**10. CHECK IN**

All boats, once on the water, shall check in by hailing race committee members on the northeast corner of the Menominee Marina breakwall, or by contacting race committee on VHF 68. Boats failing to check in may not be scored, at the discretion of race management.

**11. TIME LIMIT AND WITHDRAWAL FROM RACE**

- 11.1 There is no time limit. However, any boat finishing when RC is not present on the corner of the Menominee Marina breakwall shall record her own time as well as the name of the boat finishing ahead and behind her, and deliver it to Vice Commodore of Sail Joe Shepro by phone or text (906) 290-3094, or email [chaltry.brian@gmail.com](mailto:chaltry.brian@gmail.com)
- 11.2 Boats withdrawing from the race shall notify M&M Yacht Club immediately. If unable to make contact with race committee via VHF, a withdrawing boat shall phone or text Joe Shepro at (906) 290-3094 as soon as possible.

**12. COMMUNICATION**

- 12.1 Race committee will monitor VHF 68. Competitors are strongly encouraged to do the same.
- 12.2 Boats are encouraged to communicate amongst themselves on VHF 68.
- 12.3 Rule 41(c) is changed to read as follows: Help in the form of information freely available to all yachts and any publicly offered internet or broadcast weather information from sources available to all competitors, whether on a subscription or free basis is allowable. Allowable services must provide the same information to all competitors and not provide boat-specific weather or routing information. Competitors may use any means to retrieve the data. Accessing other information during the race will be considered a violation of Rule 41.

**13. PROTESTS**

- 13.1 Boats intending to protest shall notify Joe Shepro by phone or text at (906) 290-3094 within 1 hour of her finish. A boat which fails to do so waives her right to protest. A list of protests received will be posted on the official notice board. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after racing.
- 13.2 Competitors are notified and agree by their participation in this event that any protest committee may consist of "interested parties" as defined by RRS. This changes Rule 63.4. However, the US Sailing prescriptions to Rule 63.4 shall apply.

**14. FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, please contact:  
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