

PORT MADISON YACHT CLUB

JIM DEPUE MEMORIAL RACE

2/23/2019

Notice of Race

1. RULES

1. The series will be governed by the rules as defined in **The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020** (RRS) including US SAILING prescriptions, as they apply.
2. All yachts shall comply with Pacific International Yachting Association (PIYA) Safety Equipment Requirements for Category Nearshore.
3. The Racing Rules of Sailing Rules 1.2, 35, 42.1, 52, 63.4, 78.2, A4.2 and A9 will be changed as indicated. The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions and Notice of Race, as applicable.
4. Pacific Handicap Racing Fleet - Northwest (PHRF-NW) handicapping rules shall apply to Divisions I and II. For handicap information, see web site www.phrf-nw.org. (This rule does not apply to Division III)
5. Interference with Traffic: Interference with non-racing traffic is strictly forbidden. A report of interference by the traffic to the Race Committee is sufficient cause for protest. No sounds are required.
6. Code of Federal Regulations: Title 33 (Navigation and Navigable Waters), Part 334 (Danger Zone and Restricted Area Regulations) to the extent that they apply to the area sailed. Of particular interest is 334.1230, 334.1240 and 334.1244. These are available at <http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/>.
7. Yachts shall not approach within 100 yards of any US naval vessel. If you need to pass within 100 yards of a U.S. naval vessel in order to ensure a safe passage, you must contact the U.S. naval vessel or the Coast Guard escort vessel on VHF-FM channel 16. See NOR 7.1.
8. Individual race announcements.
9. The following Standard Rules and Racing Instructions shall apply to all races except as may be amended by individual race announcements.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

1. The Series is open to members of US SAILING, PHRF-NW and all members of yacht clubs with Pacific International Yachting Association (PIYA) affiliation.
2. A valid PHRF-NW rating is required for Divisions I and II. Division III requires a valid PHRF-NW rating or a rating assigned by the Race Committee.
3. Eligible boats may enter each race by completing the appropriate form and following the registration procedure given on each race announcement. Registration forms must be complete and accurate. ***Participants failing to comply with these requirements will be subject to disqualification without a hearing*** at the discretion of the Race Committee. Late registrations may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee.

3. ENTRY FEES:

\$15.00 Standard Fee

\$10.00 PHRF-NW Member

\$9.00 PHRF-NW with US SAILING Membership

These fees must accompany your registration form. Checks are to be made payable to the Yacht Club listed on the registration form. Registration and payment can also be made online at www.portmadisonyc.org

4. COURSES AND DESCRIPTIONS OF MARKS:

See the individual race announcements in this booklet.

5. SCORING

1. The Low Point System of Appendix A of the RRS applies. The Series has seven (7) scheduled races, of which five (5) must be completed to constitute a series.
2. For each race of the series, a boat that did not finish (DNF) or retired after finishing (RAF) shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that finished. A boat that was disqualified (DSQ) shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of starters for that race. A boat that did not start (DNS) shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of starters for that race. This rule replaces Rule A4.2 and Rule A9.
3. Division III entries are not counted in the overall series for West sound Sailor of the Year.
4. A boat that is scored in the series may act as Race Committee boat and be scored her average score for her other races in the series excluding her worst score. It is her responsibility to ensure her score is appropriately averaged and to notify the WSSA Chairman of any discrepancy.
5. RRS Rule 78.2 is changed to read: "When a rule requires a valid certificate to be produced or its existence verified before a boat races, and this cannot be done, the boat may race provided that the race committee receives a statement signed by the person in charge that the boat has a valid certificate (a signed entry form meets this requirement). If the certificate is not produced or verified before the end of the series, the boat shall be disqualified from all races of the event and excluded from the series scoring without a hearing. Boats whose finishing place is after the excluded boat will be scored one place higher in that race's series scoring.

6. MANUAL POWER

A boat's standing rigging, running rigging, spars and movable hull appendages shall be adjusted and operated only by the power provided by the crew. However, a boat with a crew of one (1) (single hand) may use an automatic steering device. The crew of one (1) (Single hand) must wear a personal flotation device at all times during racing. This changes RRS Rules 1.2 and 52.

8. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

1. A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. However, a boat may contact commercial or private traffic to determine their intent or to confirm that the boat will not impede the commercial or private vessel under current or foreseeable circumstances.
2. Channel 72 may be used for Race Committee announcements before and during racing. It is recommended that all boats monitor channels 14, 16 and 72. Channel 72 may, when not racing, also be used for pre-race check in, notification of competitor retirement, etc.

9. PROTEST COMMITTEE:

The Protest Committee may include competitors in the race. Competitors who are considered interested parties only because they sailed in the regatta

(provided their position in the overall standings – or in their class – cannot be affected significantly by the decision of the Protest Committee) may serve on the Protest Committee. This changes RRS 63.4. Competitors in the race who are members of the Protest Committee will not, wherever practical, be participants in the same class as any of the parties to the protest.

10. PRIZES

1. Prizes will be awarded for each race as identified in the race announcement for that race by the sponsoring yacht club.
2. **PRIZES & AWARDS:** W SSA prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place based on the number of qualifiers in each Division. The number of prizes is determined by one half of the number of qualifiers, rounded down. The perpetual *West Sound Sailor of the Year Trophy* is awarded to the lowest overall scored finisher from Divisions I and II (see NOR Rule 6.2). Division III entries are eligible for Division III awards only. Series ties will be decided in favor of the yacht with the most first place finishes. If still tied, then in favor of the yacht with the most second place finishes, etc. If still tied, then in favor of the yacht with the best finish in the last race. Except for Division III, boats must be registered with PHRF-NW to be eligible for WSSA series prizes.
3. **RACE RESULTS:** Individual series race results and standings will be posted on WSSA web site (www.wscyc.net and follow links) as soon as they are made available.