



International Catalina 30 Association

2008 National Championship Regatta

Aug 1st - 3rd, 2008

Hosted by the Port Huron Yacht Club

Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

- 1.1 The series races will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (US Sailing) national authority will apply.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at PHYC.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 10 minutes prior to the skippers meeting.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the PHYC flagstaff.
- 4.2 Code flag "AP" when displayed ashore means that the start has been postponed. The Warning Signal will be made not less than 90 minutes after the lowering of the signal.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1 Skippers Meeting at 16:45 on August 1st, attendance is highly recommended by the OA.
- 5.2 Races are scheduled for the August 2nd and 3rd.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1025.
- 5.4 Race Committee will attempt to have 3 races on Saturday and 2 races on Sunday.
- 5.5 No races will be started after 1400 on Sunday

6 CLASS SPLITS

- 6.1 Final splits will be posted on the official notice board by August 2nd prior to 0800. Unofficial information may be posted on Port Huron Yacht Club website at www.phyc.org.

7 MARKS

- 7.1 Mark #1, Mark #2, Starting Mark and Finishing Mark shall be orange inflated pyramids.
- 7.2 Mark #2, Starting Mark and the Finishing Mark will be the same mark.
- 7.3 Marks that are damaged but still visible are still to be considered proper marks. Marks that are missing or substantially off-station may be replaced by marks that meet one of the following conditions:
 - a. A buoy or stake-boat displaying an M Code Flag.
 - b. An inflatable orange (or other color) pyramid buoy.
- 7.4 Inflatable pyramids (of different or the same color) may be used for change of course for Mark #1.
- 7.5 Green inflatable pyramid may be used as a limit mark for the Race Committee Boat. This mark will be considered to be a part of the Race Committee boat.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The course will be windward leeward and located at approximately N43.04 W082.26.
- 8.2 The designated course length to the windward mark will be approximately 1 mile, but will vary dependent upon wind strength. The distance for each race will be approximately 4-5miles.
- 8.3 All marks shall be rounded to Port.
- 8.4 No later than the warning signal, the race committee boat will display the approximate compass bearing from the Leeward mark boat to the Windward mark, Mark 1. Changes to the windward mark position after rounding will be displayed on the Committee Boat near the Mark 2 rounding.
- 8.5 All yachts shall complete the course described below

Course
Start-1-2-1-Finish

9 THE START

- 9.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 9.2 The Race Committee will display the corresponding number flag for each start. (Modifies RRS 26)
- 9.3 The starting line shall be between a staff displaying the Orange Flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end, and an orange pyramid inflatable at the port end.
- 9.4 The starting order will be posted on the Notice Board prior to the skippers meeting.
- 9.5 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area extending 500' behind the starting line and all boats whose warning signal has been made.
- 9.6 The second race for the day will start no sooner than 5 minutes after the last boat finishes the first race, or 5 minutes after time expires, whichever is sooner.
- 9.7 When a general recall for a class has been signalled, the start for the recalled class will be moved to the bottom of the starting order. This will retain the starting order for the other classes. (Changes RRS 29.2)

10 THE FINISH

- 10.1 The finish line will be between the Orange Flag on the RC Signal Boat and the nearby inflatable orange mark located at the starboard end of the line.
- 10.2 After finishing, boats shall not obscure the Race Committee's vision of the finish line and stay clear of boats still racing. Boats should not re-cross the finish line after finishing.
- 10.3 Boats must record their finish times, and the boat immediately ahead and astern. Times should be reported to the Race Committee if requested.

11 TIME LIMITS

- 11.1 Time limit is 2 hours from the start of the class.
- 11.2 If one boat finishes within the time limit, the time limit for that class extends by 30 minutes.

12 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 12.1 Protest forms are available at the PHYC Clubhouse. Protests shall be delivered to the Race Chairman, or the Principal Race Officer within the protest time limit.
- 12.2 The protest time limit is 3 hours after the finish time of the final race of the day of the protesting yacht.
- 12.3 Protest hearing will be held as soon as a committee can be convened.

13 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 13.1 Each yacht shall comply with US Coast Guard requirements.
- 13.2 Yachts retiring from a race must identify themselves to the Race Committee as soon as possible using VHF 72, failing that, immediately after arriving ashore.

14 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 14.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

15 SCORING

- 15.1 Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 15.2 All boats that do not finish within the time limit of a race will be scored one more than the number of finishers.
- 15.3 One completed race will constitute a series.
- 15.4 There will be no throw outs.
- 15.5 A total of a yacht's races will be used to determine the Overall awards.

16 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 16.1 The Race Committee may monitor and use VHF 72 to hail sail numbers of infringing yachts. Failure to do so will not be grounds for redress.

17 PRIZES

- 17.1 Flags will be given to the top three finishers in each class.
- 17.2 The Perpetual Trophies will be given to the top overall finisher in the class.