

MILWAUKEE BAY WOMEN'S OFFSHORE SERIES

June 7 - August 23, 2021

Milwaukee Yacht Club and South Shore Yacht Club
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Milwaukee Bay Women's Sailing Organization

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Milwaukee Bay Women's Offshore Series (MBWOS) will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The following prescription of US SAILING will apply:

ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Governing Offshore Racing for Monohulls & Multihulls, including US SAILING Prescriptions, 5.01: "US SAILING prescribes that all personnel on deck shall wear personal floatation while starting and finishing without exception, and at all other times except when the Captain of the boat directs that it may be set aside."

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The MBWOS is open to all keel boats owned or skippered by a member of the Milwaukee Bay Women's Sailing Organization (MBWSO) which has either: a valid LMPHRF certificate or a handicap assigned by the MBWSO.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and sending or delivering it, together with proof of insurance with \$300,000 of liability coverage, to the US Mail or email address given in FURTHER INFORMATION below, by 7 days prior to the boat's first race. Late entries will be accepted, but a completed entry must be received 1 day prior to the boat's first race. A boat will be scored only after a completed entry is received and accepted. The fee is required to be paid before the boat's first race by sending it to the US Mail address given in FURTHER INFORMATION below or delivering it in person to the MBWOS NOR/SI Chair.
- 2.3 A substitution for an entered boat may be made by meeting the requirements given in the sailing instructions.

3 FEES

Yacht club or sailing organization members: \$50
Yacht club or sailing organization members who are not a US SAILING member: \$55

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Dates of racing:

<u>Race</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Club</u>
Practice	6-7	SSYC	(Non-Counting)		
1	6-14	SSYC	2	6-21	MYC
3	7-12	SSYC	4	7-26	MYC
5	8-2	SSYC	6	8-9	MYC
Make-up #1	8-16	TBD	Make-up #2	8-23	TBD

- 4.2 The scheduled time of the first warning signal for each race is 1820 hours CDT.

- 4.3 The Race Committee may change the format or terminate any stage of the series when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of a race/races under the existing conditions, municipal safety guidance, or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favor of later stages.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at least 1 week prior to the first race, either sent by U.S. mail, e-mail, or delivered to entered boats.

6 VENUE

The racing area will be on Lake Michigan easterly of the Milwaukee Harbor Main Gap.

7 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be the following: 4 legs Windward-Leeward, or 5 legs Triangle-Windward-Leeward.

8 PENALTY SYSTEM

The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3 will apply. The penalty shall be the score the boat would have received without the penalty, made worse by 1 place. The one-turn and two-turn penalties are not in effect.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 Three (3) boats overall are required to start a race.
- 9.2 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.3 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 9.4 A boat that starts a race and subsequently retires, then fails to notify the race committee of its retirement, shall be scored DNE. This changes rules A4 and A5.

10 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 10.1 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.
- 10.2 The race committee will communicate with the boats on either VHF Channel 72 (MYC) or 69 (SSYC).

11 PRIZES

1 to 3 Section entrants	1 trophy
4 to 5 Section entrants	2 trophies
6 or more Section entrants	3 trophies

The MYC Coast Guard permanent trophy will be awarded to the boat placing 1st overall in the MBWOS fleet.

12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the MBWOS entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authorities will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the races.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, contact:

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