

MILWAUKEE BAY WOMEN'S OFFSHORE SERIES

June 6 - August 22, 2022

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:

The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including US SAILING Prescriptions, 40.1: "US SAILING prescribes that each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device (PFD) approved by the U.S. Coast Guard except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices."

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 MWPHRF 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:

Race	Date	Club	Race	Date	Club
Practice	6-6	SSYC	(Non-Counting)		
1	6-13	SSYC	2	6-20	MYC
3	7-11	SSYC	4	7-18	MYC
5	8-1	SSYC	6	8-8	MYC
Make-up #1	8-15	TBD	Make-up #2	8-22	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.

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 DNF. 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 3, 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:

Robin Olson [MBWOS NOR/SI/Scoring Chair] 10160 S McGraw Dr, Oak Creek, WI 53154 Phone 414-339-4321 (cell) msrado2@gmail.com

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ENTRY FORM

INSTRUCTIONS: Print clearly, or type, and submit to the person listed below.

Boat Name _____ Sail No _____ Type _____

Owner/Skipper _____ Yacht Club _____

Address _____ Phone _____

City/ST _____ Zip _____ E-mail _____

US Sailing Member No. _____ PHRF Handicap _____

Insurance Certificate on file at _____ Yacht Club Copy attached _____

Entry Fee payable to: SSYC. Please put MBWSO in memo section of check. NO CASH
PLEASE.

Yacht Club and Other Sailing Organization Members	\$50 _____
Eligible boats not a US SAILING member	\$55 _____
	Total \$ _____

**TO COMPLETE ENTRY YOU MUST READ AND SIGN RELEASE FOR LIABILITY
ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS FORM**

Entries must be received 7 days prior to the boat's first race.

US Mail or email completed entry form and proof of insurance (if applicable) to:

Robin Olson
MBWOS NOR/SI/Scoring Chair
10160 S McGraw Drive
Oak Creek, WI 53154
msrado2@gmail.com

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ENTRY FORM (cont'd)

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE

In consideration of being permitted to participate in the South Shore Yacht Club (SSYC) and Milwaukee Yacht Club (MYC) sailing events and regattas (Events), hosted by SSYC, and MYC, and the Milwaukee Bay Women's Sailing Organization (MBWSO) and in consideration of the substantial volunteer effort made by volunteers with respect to the Events, I hereby:

1. Waive and release any and all claims, including claims for negligence or equivalent conduct (but not intentional conduct), which I may have against SSYC, MYC, MBWSO, and their respective members, trustees, directors, officers, employees, volunteers, measurers, judges, independent contractors, sponsors, designees, successors, assigns, insurers and affiliates (hereinafter collectively "releases") resulting from my participating in the events and all activities related to the events. I understand that such negligence could include but is not limited to a failure to use reasonable care in deciding whether or not to start or continue a race and any other decisions arising out of race management; operating power boats, cranes, or other equipment; maintaining launch ramps, cranes, piers, docks, marks, buoys, and other property; in training or supervising employees or volunteers; in providing instructions or services; or in providing any first aid or emergency medical treatment.
2. Agree not to sue any of the releases for any damages, costs, losses, expenses, demands, claims or causes of action arising out of the events.
3. Acknowledge that serious accidents may occur during the Events and that I may sustain death, disability, serious personal injury, and/or property damage, and acknowledge my responsibilities in participating in the Events, for my decisions to start or continue to race in the Events and to ensure that my boat, equipment and crew are seaworthy for the conditions which may be encountered during my participation.
4. Agree that this Release and Waiver of Liability is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of Wisconsin and that in the event that any provision is held to be prohibited or invalid, the remainder of this Release and Waiver of Liability shall continue in full legal force and effect, and that this Release and Waiver of Liability supersedes all prior negotiations, representations or agreements between myself and any one or more of the releases.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read this agreement, understand its terms, have had the opportunity to review, discuss and negotiate its terms and conditions and understand that by signing, I am giving up substantial rights.

I agree to be bound by The Racing Rules of Sailing and by all other rules that govern this series.

I have read the foregoing entry, including its release provisions, and I hereby accept its term and conditions.

Owner/Participant: _____ Date: _____
(If Participant is under 18, both parents must sign)

Parent/Legal Guardian (Signature)

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