

Port Washington Yacht Club

2025 Sail Race Series

Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

Port Washington Yacht Club
Port Washington

Notice of Race

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all boats with a valid PHRF certificate.
- 2.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it together with the required fee listed under NOR 3 to Port Washington Yacht Club, P.O. Box 101, Port Washington, WI 53074 Attn: Fleet Captain.
- 2.3. Late entries will be accepted at the race director's discretion.

3. FEES

- 3.1. Entry fee for the racing season is \$100 on or before June 1, 2025 and \$125 after June 1, 2025.
- 3.2. Fees for boats interested in racing a limited number of races shall be \$10 per race for the first three races that they sail. These fees shall be applied toward the entry fee listed in NOR 3.1 if they wish to continue to race with the balance due prior to continuing to participate.

4. WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERIES, SATURDAY SERIES

- 4.1. Wednesday night series will consist of all scheduled Wednesday night races.
- 4.2. Saturday series will consist of all scheduled Saturday races.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1. A practice race is scheduled for Saturday May 24, 2025 with the first start schedule for 1300
- 5.2. Wednesday night races will run from June 4, 2025 to August 20, 2025 per Appendix C.
- 5.3. The scheduled first start time for Wednesday night races from June 4 to July 30 is 1830 and from August 6 to August 20 the scheduled start time is 1800.
- 5.4. Saturday races from May 31, 2025 to September 13, 2025 per Appendix C.
- 5.5. The scheduled first start time for the Saturday races is 1300.
- 5.6. The Port Washington to Sheboygan race is scheduled for August 16, 2025 with the Cruising Class scheduled start time at 0800 and the Racing division scheduled start time at 0900.
- 5.7. The Niagara Rescue-Harrington Beach is scheduled for September 6, 2025 with the first scheduled start time at 1200.
- 5.8. The preparatory signal shall be considered as displayed 4 minutes before each scheduled start time for the definition of racing.
- 5.9. One or two races per day are scheduled. The schedule of all races in in Appendix C
- 5.10. All times are based on GPS time only.

6. MEASUREMENT

- 6.1. Each boat shall produce a valid Lake Michigan PHRF certificate. Valid MWPHRF certificates shall be submitted prior to the first race that the boat participates in to be scored. MWPHRF ratings can be obtained from Midwest Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (MWPHRF). Located at <https://mwphrf.org/>
- 6.2. Boats who are unable to provide a valid MWPHRF certificate may apply to the PWYC race director for a temporary rating.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1. The supplement to the RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, for the Wednesday and Saturday Series are in Appendix A

8. VENUE

- 8.1. The racing area will be Lake Michigan off the port of Port Washington.

9. THE COURSE

- 9.1. The course layout diagram in Appendix B shows the PWYC permanent buoy layout including approximate coordinates of each mark and the approximate distances and headings between marks. The courses will be chosen at the skippers meeting prior to each race.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1. For all class's RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11. SCORING

- 11.1. Scoring will be calculated based on TOD using PHRF HCP and NSHCP handicaps for all races except the Port to Sheboygan Race which will use DHCP for the spinnaker fleet.
- 11.2. RRS A2 is changed as follows.
- 11.2.1. When 5 or less races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of all her race scores. This changes RRS A2
- 11.2.2. When 6 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.2.3. When 9 to 11 races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores. This changes RRS A2
- 11.2.4. When 12 or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores. This changes RRS A2
- 11.3. RRS A5.3 will apply. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. RRS A5.3 is changed as follows
- A5.3 If the notice of race or sailing instructions state that rule A5.3 will apply, rule A5.2 is changed so that a boat that came to the starting area but did not start, did not sail the course, did not finish, retired, did not compete or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that came to the starting area
- 11.4. A minimum of 2 boats shall start for a race to be scored for each division.
- 11.5. All races, including the rendezvous regatta, will count for the season championships.

12. RAIDO COMMUNICATION

- 12.1. All competitors shall monitor VHF channel 72. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]

13. PRIZES

- 13.1. There may be prizes given.

14. DISCLAIMER OR LIABILITY

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

15. INSURANCE

- 15.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000 per incident or the equivalent. Proof of insurance shall be included with your registration.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 16.1. For further information please contact the Race Director at racedirector@pwywci.com

Appendix A

Supplementary Sailing Instructions for the Wednesday and Saturday series

Changes, additions, and deletions to RRS Appendix S Standard Sailing Instructions

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at PWYC
- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the PWYC flagpole.
- 5.1 Schedule of races is as posted in Appendix C.
- 6 Delete SI 6
- 7.1 Change: Appendix B lists the courses. Other courses may also be given on the day of each race.
- 7.2 Delete: 7.2
- 8.1 Marks will be PWYC permanent marks. If a permanent mark is missing, an inflatable mark may be placed in its approximate position per Appendix B or a virtual rounding may be used.
- 9.1 Races will be started by GPS time as follows. No sound or visual signals will be used. This changes SI 9.1 and RRS 26. The preparatory signal shall be considered signaled 4 minutes prior to each start time for the definition of *Racing* in RRS

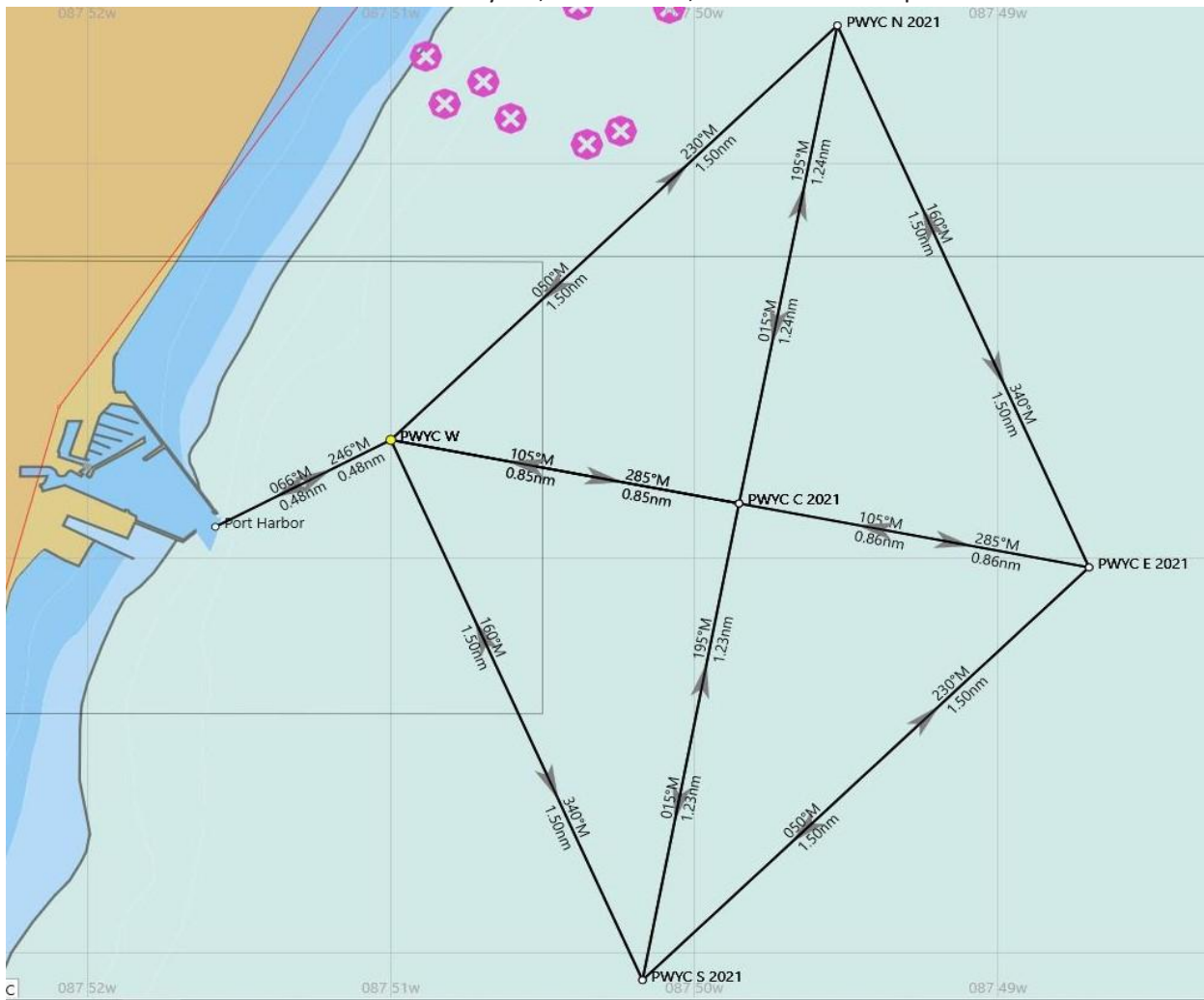
Saturday Series	Cruising	Racing
Preparatory signal	1256	1306
Start	1300	1310
Wednesday Night Series		
Preparatory signal	1826	1836
Start	1830	1840
Starting August 6th the Wednesday night series start times are 30 minutes earlier		

- 9.2 SI 9.2 is changed as follows - The start line will be between a PWYC permanent mark and an inflatable mark. The PWYC permanent mark shall be left to the required side as described in Appendix B
- 9.3 Boats that are not in sequence shall remain clear of the starting area.
- 10 Delete SI 10
- 11.1 SI 11.1 is changed as follows - The finish line will be between the PWYC permanent mark and an inflatable mark. PWYC permanent mark shall be left to the required side as described in Appendix B.
- 11.2 Add: Competitors shall take their own time using GPS time and report the time in time of day format HH:MM:SS and include the boats name, boat ahead and boat behind, course sailed, start time and number of boats in their section to the race scorer immediately upon finishing by text to 920-889-0758. Failure to report finish times will result in a score of DNF without a hearing.
- 12.1 Mark 1 time limit for the first boat in each division is 45 minutes. The race time limit for all boats in each division to finish is 3 hours.
- 12.3 SI 12.3 is changed as follows - Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35

Delete course diagrams – courses are per SI Supplement 7.1 Appendix B

Appendix B

Course layout, coordinates, and course descriptions



Mark	Latitude	Longitude
PWYC C Mark	43 23.139 N	087 49.853 W
PWYC E Mark	43 22.977 N	087 48.700 W
PWYC N Mark	43 24.350 N	087 49.529W
PWYC S Mark	43 21.931 N	087 50.171 W
PWYC W Mark	43 23.300 N	087 51.000 W

Appendix B

Courses will be posted on the electrical box behind the fence at gate 3

(s) indicated keeping the PWYC permanent mark to starboard

(P) indicated keeping the PWYC permanent mark to Port

Course	Class	Start	Mark 1	Mark 2	Mark 3	Finish	Distance
A	Spinnaker	West (p)	North (p)	West (p)	North (p)	West (s)	6
	Cruising	West (p)	North (p)			West (s)	3
Inflatable start/finish mark set EAST of PWYC W mark							
B	Spinnaker	West (s)	North (s)	East (s)		West (p)	4.71
	Cruising	West (s)	North (s)			West (p)	3
Inflatable start/finish mark set WEST of PWYC W mark							
C	Spinnaker	West (s)	North (s)	South (s)		West (s)	5.47
	Cruising	West (s)	North (s)	Center (s)		West (p)	3.59
Inflatable start/finish mark set WEST of PWYC W mark							
D	Spinnaker	West (s)	North (s)	East (s)	South (s)	West (s)	6
	Cruising	West (s)	North (s)	Center (s)		West (p)	3.59
Inflatable start/finish mark set WEST of PWYC W mark							
E	Spinnaker	West (p)	East (p)	West (p)	East (p)	West (s)	6.84
	Cruising	West (p)	Center (p)			West (s)	1.7
Inflatable start/finish mark set SOUTH of PWYC W mark							
F	Spinnaker	West (p)	South (p)	East (p)	North (p)	West (p)	6
	Cruising	West (p)	South (p)	Center (p)		West (p)	3.58
Inflatable start/finish mark set WEST of PWYC W mark							
G	Spinnaker	West (p)	South (p)	North (p)		West (p)	5.47
	Cruising	West (p)	South (p)	Center (p)		West (p)	3.58
Inflatable start/finish mark set WEST of PWYC W mark							
H	Spinnaker	West (p)	South (p)	East (p)		West (p)	4.71
	Cruising	West (p)	South (p)			West (s)	3
Inflatable start/finish mark set WEST of PWYC W mark							
I	Spinnaker	West (p)	South (p)	West (p)	South (p)	West (s)	6
	Cruising	West (p)	South (p)			West (s)	3
Inflatable start/finish mark set WEST of PWYC W mark							

Appendix C

2025 PWYC Sailboat Racing Schedule

Wednesday Night*: Skipper's Meeting @ 1800, Starts: 1830 (Cruising), 1840 (Spinnaker)

Saturday: Skipper's Meeting @ 1200, Starts: 1300 (Cruising), 1310 (Spinnaker)

Use VHF **Channel 72** for communication while racing

***NOTE:** Wednesday series will start ½ hour earlier starting August 6th

~ May & June 2025 ~

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
19	20	21	22	23	24 Intro to sailboat racing and Skipper's Meeting 0900 Practice Race 1pm	25 Blessing of the Fleet - TBD
26 Memorial Day	27	28	29	30	31 Fitting Out Party 1PM Buoy Race	JUNE 1
2	3	4 Evening Buoy Race	5	6	7 1pm Buoy Race	8
9	10	11 Evening Buoy Race	12 DOUBLE-HANDED RACE	13 DOUBLE-HANDED PARTY	14 1pm Buoy Race	15
16	17	18 Evening Buoy Race	19	20	21 1pm Buoy Races** Voluntary MOB Drill	22
23	24	25 Evening Buoy Race	26	27 QUEEN'S CUP	28 1pm Buoy Race	29

~ JULY 2025 ~

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
30	JULY 1	2 Evening Buoy Race	3	4 4 th of July	5 1pm Buoy Race	6
7	8	9 Evening Buoy Race	10	11	12 HOOK RACE 1pm Buoy Race	13
14	15	16 Evening Buoy Race	17 Fish Days	18 Fish Days	19 Fish Days CHI-MAC RACE	20
21	22	23 Evening Buoy Race	24	25	26 1pm FUN RACE	27
28	29	30 Evening Buoy Race	31			

~ AUGUST 2025 ~

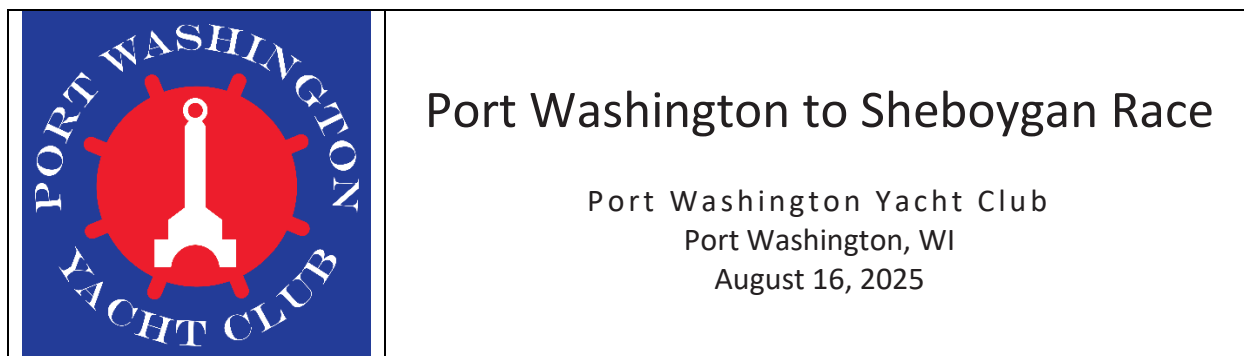
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
				AUGUST 1	2 1pm Buoy Races **	3
4	5	6 Evening Buoy Race*	7	8 CLIPPER CUP RACE	9 CLIPPER CUP PARTY	10
11	12	13 Evening Buoy Race*	14	15	16 PWYC-SYC "BRAT RUN" 0800 AND 0900 STARTS	17
18	19	20 FINAL Buoy Race*	21	22	23 1pm Buoy Race	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 RENDEZVOUS REGATTA	31 Venetian Night

~ SEPTEMBER 2025 ~

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
SEPTEMBER 1 Labor Day	2	3	4	5	6 HARRINGTON BEACH RACE 1100 and 1200 starts	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 Steak Fry FINAL Buoy Races** 1pm	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

****TWO RACES (June 21, August 2, September 13)**

Appendix D



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* including prescriptions.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at Port Washington Yacht Club and emailed to competitors.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions or change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the PWYC flagpole.
4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

August 17, 2024	Preparatory Signal	Start
Cruising	0756	0800
Spinnaker	0856	0900

6 RACING AREAS

Coastal waters of Lake Michigan from Port Washington, WI to Sheboygan, WI

7 THE COURSES

The course shall be from the PWYC west race mark, approximate location N43 23.300 W087 51.000, to Sheboygan, WI finishing between the Sheboygan harbor breakwaters.

8 MARKS

- 8.1 The start marks are a white pole shaped mark with multicolored reflective stripes at approximate location N43 23.300 W087 51.000 and a near by inflatable tetrahedron.
8.2 The finish mark are the Sheboygan harbor breakwaters

9 THE START

- 9.1 Races will be started by GPS time as stated in SI 5. No sound or visual signals will be used.
9.2 The start line is a line between the two start marks defined in SI 8.1
9.3 In the absence of an inflatable buoy start mark, the start line is a line extending westward from the start mark on a bearing of 290 degrees and at distance of 600 feet (.1 NM). The start mark shall be left to starboard.
9.4 The preparatory signal shall be considered signaled 4 minutes prior to each start time for the definition of *Racing* in RRS

10 THE FINISH

10.1 The finish line is between the Sheboygan Harbor Breakwaters

10.2 Competitors are required to take their own finish times when they enter the finish zone.

10.3 Competitors must text their finish times to Rich Reichelsdorfer at 920-889-0758 ASAP after finishing.

10.4 Competitors failing to text their finish times within 30 minutes of finishing will be scored DNF without a hearing.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 For all classes RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

12 TIME LIMITS

The time limit for all classes is 8 hours.

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

13.1 Protest forms are available online at US Sailing. Protests shall be emailed to the race director at racedirector@pwywi.com

13.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished.

13.3 Protests will be scheduled when time allows.

14 SCORING

14.1 Scoring will be calculated based on TOD using PHRF DHCP and NSHCP handicaps. The course length shall be 22.5 NM. HCP and NSHCP

14.2 The Port Washington to Sheboygan race will count toward the Saturday series. Any visiting boats that enter the race will be removed from the PWYC Saturday series scoring.

15 SAFETY REGULATIONS

15.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. [DP]

15.2 All competitors shall monitor VHF channel 72 prior to and immediately after the start. After the start, all boats shall monitor VHF channel 16. [DP]

15.3 All boats shall have adequate means of navigation.

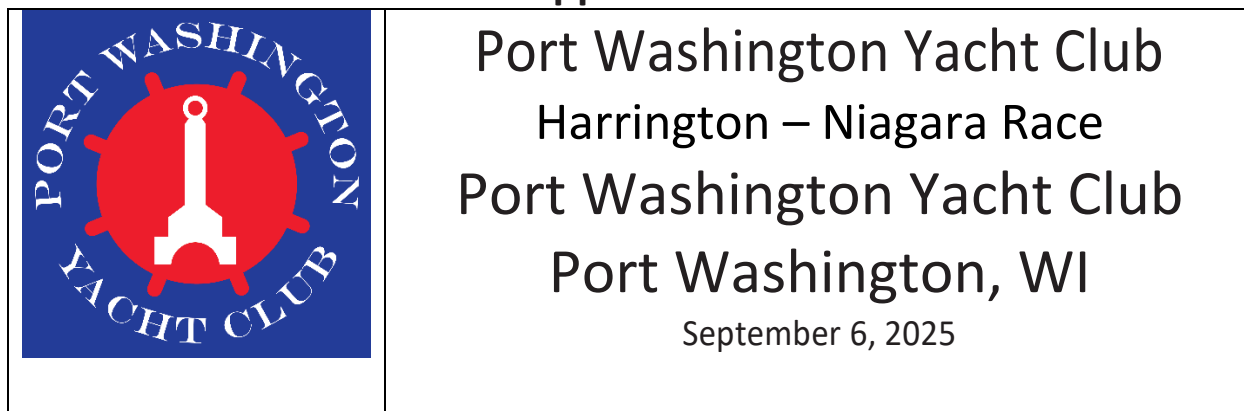
28 PRIZES

Prizes will be given.

29 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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

Appendix E



Supplementary Sailing Instructions

The course for the Harrington – Niagara Wreck race will be from the PWYC W mark to the Niagara Wreck located off Harrington Park and return to the PWYC W mark.

Niagara Wreck is located at an approximate location of N43 29.316 W087 46.573 and may be marked with a white mooring ball type buoy. The Niagara Wreck buoy shall be left to port. If the Niagara Wreck buoy is missing, boats shall round the above waypoint, Experimental Rules Appendix WP shall apply.

Scoring will be calculated based on TOD using PHRF HCP and NSHCP handicaps. The distance shall be 13.67 nautical miles. The Harrington – Niagara race will count toward the Saturday series.

Start and finish times are based on GPS time only. Start time are as follows.

Jib and Main/Cruising 1200

Spinnaker 1210

The preparatory signal shall be considered signaled 4 minutes prior to each start time for the definition of *Racing* in RRS

Competitors shall take their own finish times and text the finish times in time-of-day format to 920-889-0758 within 30 minutes of finishing. Boat failing to text finish times within 30 minutes of finishing will be scored DNF.

Port Washington Sail Race Registration Form

ENTRY FORM

Skipper: _____

Boat Name: _____

Boat type/length: _____

Sail No.: _____

LMPHRF Rating: _____

Yacht Club: _____

Phone number: _____

E-mail address: _____

This boat will race in the following fleet (circle one):

Racing

Cruising

This boat will race in the following series (circle one):

Wednesday

Saturday

Both

To complete your entry, you must include:

1. This entry form
2. Signed Waiver release form (attached)
3. Copy of your MWPHRF Certificate:
4. Payment as listed under NOR 3
5. Copy of your proof of insurance certificate as listed under NOR 15

In addition to the above, any requests listed below are applicable.

5. Request for a Single Handed Rating Adjustment (All Races)
6. Request for a Temporary Rating.

DEADLINE FOR ENTRY IS June 1, 2025.

- Mail entry form, release from, MWPHRF certificate and payment to:
Port Washington Yacht Club
P.O. Box 101
Port Washington, WI 53074
Attn: Fleet Captain/Race Director

Email entry status and current MWPHRF certificate to rich@marineproservice.com so that the scoring program can be set up.

SAILBOAT REGATTA RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

In consideration of being permitted to participate in the Port Washington Yacht Club (PWYC) sailboat racing I, the undersigned 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 the Club, 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 Race and all activities related to the Race. 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 the 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 Race.
3. Acknowledge that serious accidents may occur during the Race and that I may sustain death, disability, serious personal injury, and/or property damage, and acknowledge my responsibilities in participating in the Race, for my decisions to start or continue to race in the Race and to ensure that my boat, equipment, and crew are seaworthy for the conditions which may be encountered during my participation.
4. Agree that the decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is mine alone.
5. 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 anyone 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 have read the foregoing entry, including its release provisions, and I hereby accept its terms and conditions. I agree to be bound by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and by all other *rules* of PWYC racing.

Boat name:

Owner/Person in Charge Signature: _____ **Date:** _____