



Midsummer Madness Doublehanded Race July 25, 2024 - M&M Yacht Club SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Notices to Competitors

- a. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located indoors on the north wall of the M&M YC clubhouse.

2. Signals Made Ashore

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4. SCHEDULE

- a. A skippers' meeting will be held at the M&M YC clubhouse at 11:00 on race day.
- b. The first **Warning** will be at 11:55, with first start at 1200.

5. RACING AREA

- a. The racing area will be the waters of the bay of Green Bay. Skippers unfamiliar with the area are cautioned of the shallows between the abandoned dock and Henes Park – these areas are marked on the course map.

6. THE START and DIVISION FLAGS

- a. The start will be a PHRF "Pursuit" staggered start. Race committee will deliver a Rule 26 starting sequence according to the following schedule:
- b.

Courtesy warning (4 short horns)	1154
Warning	1155
First Start	1200
- c. Boats shall start at their assigned times, to be distributed at the skippers' meeting. Race committee may deliver courtesy sound signals at each boat's starting time. Each boat is responsible to start at her assigned time.
- d. Boats will be notified of individual recalls by RC displaying flag "X" with two sounds. This changes Race Signals.
- e. The failure of RC to deliver, or the failure of any boat to hear any sound signals is not grounds for protest or redress.

7. START/FINISH LINE, COURSE, and MARKS

- a. The start and finish line will lie between the northeast corner of the Menominee Marina breakwall and a yellow/orange striped pin located to the northeast of the breakwall. The yellow tomato in the starting area is not part of the course and shall be considered an obstruction.
- b. **Start:** North to South, leaving **M&M Yacht Club buoy** to **port**.
- c. **Leg 1:** 1.22 nm, at 116° true, to **Menominee River Channel Buoy R 2** leaving mark to **port**.
- d. **Leg 2:** 1.22 nm, at 296° true, to **M&M YC start/finish buoy** leaving mark to **starboard**.
- e. **Leg 3:** 1.28 nm, at 101° true, to **Menominee Shoal Buoy R2A** leaving mark to **port**.
- f. **Leg 4:** 1.28 nm, at 281° true, to **M&M YC start/finish buoy**, leaving mark to **starboard**.
- g. **Leg 5:** 1.99 nm, at 39° true, to **M&M YC North buoy** located at 45° 08.136'N, 87° 34.465'W leaving mark to **port**.
- h. **Leg 6:** 1.99 nm, at 219° true, to start/finish line.
- i. **Finish:** North to South, leaving **M&M Yacht Club buoy** to **port**.



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- j. Total Length: 8.97 nm -- See attached course map.
- k. Race committee will shorten the course while underway in the event of extra light air.

8. STARTING AREA

- a. The starting area is unique and challenging, with the marina breakwall to the south, an abandoned dock to the northwest, and an area of shallow water to the west. **Boats shall keep clear of the starting area during the starting sequence for another division. Failure to do so may result in disqualification. Disqualification under this section is not subject to protest or redress.**

9. CHECK IN

- a. All boats, once on the water, shall check in by hailing race committee members on the northeast corner of the Menominee Marina breakwall. Boats failing to check in may not be scored, at the discretion of race officials.

10. TIME LIMITS and WITHDRAWAL FROM RACE

- a. There is no time limit. Boats finishing at any time when race committee is not present on the northeast corner of the breakwall shall take their own times and report them the race committee, as listed in #13 below.
- b. Boats withdrawing from the race are asked to notify race committee on VHF 68.

11. COMMUNICATION

- a. Race Committee will monitor VHF 68.
- b. Boats are encouraged to communicate amongst themselves on VHF 68.
- c. Rule 41(c) is changed to read as follows: Help in the form of information freely available to all yachts and any publicly offered internet or broadcast weather information from sources available to all competitors, whether on a subscription or free basis is allowable. Allowable services must provide the same information to all competitors and not provide boat-specific weather or routing information. Competitors may use any means to retrieve the data. Accessing other information during the race will be considered a violation of Rule 41.

12. PROTESTS

- a. Protests shall be personally delivered to an officer of M&M Yacht Club within 45 minutes after a boat has finished. A list of protests received will be posted on the official notice board. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after racing.
- b. Protest forms and Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 are available at the club upon request to the RC.
- c. Competitors are notified and agree by their participation in this event, that any protest committee may consist of "interested parties" as defined by RRS

13. CONTACT

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