SOUTH SHORE – SOCIAL SAILING SERIES



May 29 - September 11, 2024

SOUTH SHORE YACHT CLUB MILWAUKEE, WI NOTICE OF RACES



1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

South Shore Yacht Club (SSYC Sail Committee) a member of US Sailing has, subject to RRS 89.1 appointed the SS-SSS Fleet Captain to be the Organizing Authority ('OA') of the 2024 SS-SSS Series in order to conduct the races and related activities. The OA has the authority, subject to RS 76.1 to reject the entry of any boat at any time before the start of the series. The Fleet will be divided into divisions according to handicap and any other factors at the discretion of the SS-SSS Fleet Captain.

2 RULES

- 2.1 The South Shore Yacht Club Social Sailing Series (SS-SSS) races will be governed by the rules as defined in 2021-2024 The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 2.2 Boats shall comply with the following US SAILING prescription to World Sailing Special Regulations Governing Offshore and Oceanic Equipment and Preparation 5.01:

SS-SSS prescribes that all personnel on deck shall wear personal flotation, without exception, while starting and finishing and at all other times unless the captain of the boat directs that it may be set aside.

- **2.3** RRS Appendix A 5.3 is modified so that a boat that is disqualified (DSQ) shall be scored points for the finishing place two (2) more than the number of starters in her division for that race.
- 2.4 SS/SSS base handicaps shall be calculated using the boat's MWPHRF (formerly known as LMPHRF) adjusted handicap or a SS-SSS assigned Handicap if no MWPHRF certificate exists.

3 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions (SI's) will be available at the SSYC office and online at <u>https://www.ssyc.org</u> by May 17^{th}

4 COMMUNICATIONS

- **4.1** The official notice board is located on the bulletin board of the derrick house south facing wall
- **4.2** The online official notice board is located at: <u>https://www.ssyc.org</u>
- **4.3** All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 69
- **4.4** On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio, the channel will be stated in the SI's
- **4.5** While racing from the boat's preparatory signal until the end of the race, except in an emergency, a boat racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that is not available to all boats
- **4.6** While racing from the boat's preparatory signal until the end of the race, a remotely controlled vehicle (drone) shall not be operated from any boat until the entered boat finishes or retires from the race.

5 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- **5.1** This event (series) is open to Spinnaker, Jib and Main and Multihull classes.
 - (a) Division 1, 2 & 3 will be in spinnaker class
 - (b) Division 4 & 5 will be in the Jib and Main class (JAM)
 - (c) Division 6 Multihull will start with division 1.
- **5.2** To register and enter SS-SSS, boats are directed to: <u>http://www.ssyc.org/all-fleets-registration</u>

Boats are required to complete the on-line registration form, sign the Release and Waiver of Liability and include a certificate of insurance as required

6 FEES

\$175.00

7 SCHEDULE OF RACES

The SS-SSS races are scheduled as follows: **Spring Series:**

May 29, June 5, June 12, June 19, June 26 no race, July 3 no race

Summer Series:

July 10, July 17, July 24, July 31, August 7

Fall Series:

August 14, August 21, August 28, September 4, September 11

8 VENUE

The racing area will be the SSYC fixed mark race course on Lake Michigan approximately 2NM east of SSYC. See Illustration A

9 COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be triangles as per illustration B or windward-leeward or windward-leeward with an offset mark as described in Illustration C.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

The Scoring Penalty, Rule 44.3 will apply. The penalty will be the number of places equal to the greater of 3 or 20% (rounding 0.5 upward) of the number of boats starting in her division for that race.

11 SCORING

The Low Point System, Appendix A4 will apply, scored as a series in A2, modified as follows:

- (a) For the Spring, Summer and Fall series, all scores will count. One race constitutes a series.
- (b) For Season Series, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst scores.
 The number of exclusions is as per the table below:

Fleet Races Complete	Allowed Exclusions
One to Two	Zero
Three to Five	One
Six to Eight	Two
Nine to Eleven	Three
Twelve to Fourteen	Four
Fifteen	Five

12 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 **Decision To Race** states: '*The responsibility* for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.' By participating in this event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk or injury.

INHERENT IN THE SPORT OF SAILING IS THE RISK OF PERMANET, CATASTROPHIC INJURY OR DEATH BY DROWNING, TRAUMA, OR OTHER CAUSES.

13 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum Coverage of \$300,000.

14 PRIZES

- 14.1 Flags for SS-SSS will be awarded as follows: Boats placing first through third place in each division for the Spring, Summer, and Fall Series
- **14.2** Trophies will be given to places one (1) thru three (3) in each division.
- **14.3** Boat of the Year trophies will be awarded as follows:
 - (a) Top boat in the Spinnaker Divisions
 - (b) Top boat in the JAM Divisions

15 FURTHER INFORMTION

For further information, contact:

SS-SSS Fleet Captain, Barbara Drake

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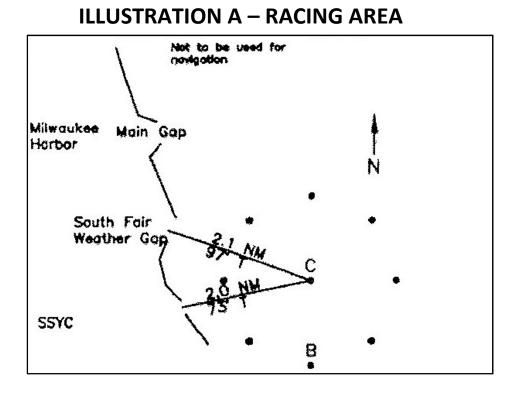


ILLUSTRATION B – COURSES

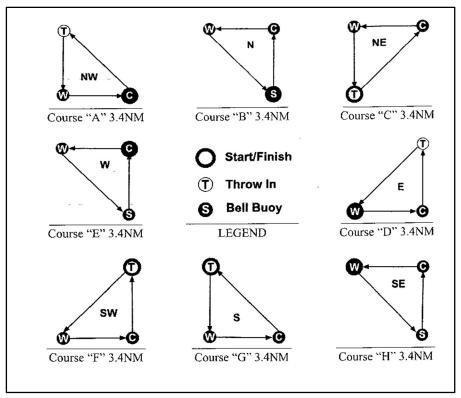
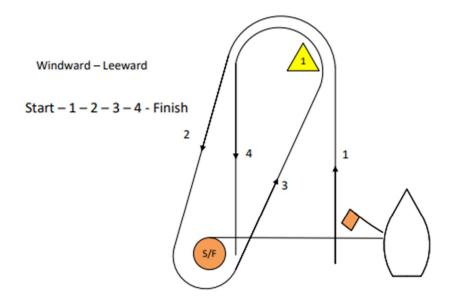
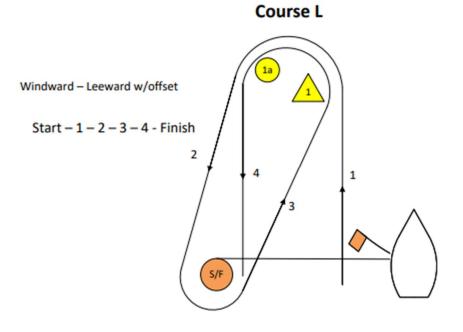


Illustration C

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FLEET RULES

1 HANDICAPPING

1.1 Definitions

- (a) Initial Handicap: An SS-SSS assigned handicap. We encourage racers to submit a recent MWPHRF certificate to assist in the assignment process.
- (b) Current Handicap: Either the initial handicap, or the weekly adjusted handicap, based on the handicap adjustment method.

1.2 Handicap adjustment Method

Places used in the handicap adjustment, below, excluding DNF, DSQ, etc.

A boat's current handicap will be adjusted based on the previous week's race results as follows:

- (a) In the top 20% of its division, subtract four (4) seconds per mile
- (b) In the second 20% of its division, subtract two (2) seconds per mile
- (c) In the third 20% of its division, no change
- (d) In the fourth 20% of its division, add two (2) seconds per mile
- (e) In the bottom 20% of its division, add four (4) seconds per mile

2 JAM DIVISION

- 2.1 Additional rules
 - (a) JAM boats will use only one Jib and one Mainsail at any time while racing.
 - (b) Whisker poles are allowed but cannot be longer than the J measurement of the boat.

2.2 Transferring into another Division

A boat may transfer into or out of the JAM Division once during the season (series), with notice to the fleet Captain at least seven (7) days prior to the first race of the Spring, Summer, or Fall Series, for which the transfer will be effective.

3 TROPHIES

Boats transferring into or out of the Jam Division are eligible for Spring, Summer, or Fall prizes, but not for Season Series Prizes.