# LaSalle Mariners Yacht Club

# 2025 Weekly Racing May 12 - October 15, 2025

# 1 RULES

# **Notice of Race**

- **1.1** These races shall be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2025-2028 except where modified by the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.
- **1.2** The prescriptions of Sailing Canada national authority shall apply. These can be found at sailing.ca

# **2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- **2.1** The Sailing Instructions shall be included separately.
- **2.2** The Sailing Instructions shall consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions and supplementary Sailing Instructions that will be on the official notice board located inside the LMYC clubhouse. This information will also be posted on **noticeofrace.net** and **lasallemariners.ca**

# **3 COMMUNICATION**

- **3.1** The official notice board is located inside the LMYC clubhouse. Information and changes will also be posted on **noticeofrace.net**
- **3.2** All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 68.
- **3.3** On the water, the Race Committee (RC) may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio channel 68.
- **3.4** While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions, and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- **3.5** If a boat retires from a race, it is the boat's responsibility to inform the Race Committee as soon as safely possible, via VHF Channel 68 or cell phone.

# **4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- **4.1** Weekly racing is open to all JOG and PHRF class boats that are members of LMYC, and approved non-members, provided the non-members are accepted to the race by the race director.
- **4.2** This event is open to all boats with a valid Midwest or other PHRF Certificates as approved by the race director. **Valid, approved PHRF Certificates MUST be presented with registration.** 
  - Boats entering in JOG need not be members of Midwest PHRF or any other PHRF association to race.
- **4.3** The Midwest PHRF handicap ratings apply to all boats racing under both PHRF and JOG classes. If a boat has not registered with MWPHRF they will be assigned a fair rating with no option to protest.
- **4.4** Classes and splits will be determined based on the number of registered boats and their ratings. Information will be posted on the official notice board and on **noticeofrace.net**
- **4.5** All boats must be pre-registered to race. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it together with the required fee. Payment may be made by cheque payable to LaSalle Mariners Yacht Club placed into the treasurer's box at LMYC, or by e-transfer to <a href="mailto:lmyctreasurer@gmail.com">lmyctreasurer@gmail.com</a>. If paying by E-transfer please include in the note area weekly racing, the series and the boat name, then notify the race director.
- 4.6 All boats MUST also register online at <u>noticeofrace.net</u> to ensure scoring can be done correctly. Any electronic registration assumes acceptance of all information included on the registration form including all concussion policy, protocol, and code of conduct requirements.

**4.7** To be considered entered for this event, a boat must complete all registration requirements. All fees must be paid prior to the second week of racing.

# 5 FEES

**5.1** Fees are as follows:

Spring	Summer	Fall	All Series
\$30	\$30	\$30	\$75

### **6 SCHEDULE**

- 6.1 Dates of Racing
- **6.2** The season will consist of 3 racing series, Spring, Summer, and Fall. Each series will have 1 throw out, and 1 make up race, which is the last scheduled race date in each grid. If no make-up race is necessary, a fun race may take pace on that date.

JOG Spring	JOG Summer	JOG Fall	PHRF Spring	PHRF Summer	PHRF Fall
May 12	June 30	Sept 1	May 14	July 2	Sept 3
May 19	July 7	Sept 8	May 21	July 9	Sept 10
May 26	July 28	Sept 15	May 28	July 30	Sept 17
June 2	Aug 4	Sept 22	June 4	Aug 6	Sept 24
June 9	Aug 11	Sept 29	June 11	Aug 13	Oct 1
June 16	Aug 18	Oct 6	June 18	Aug 20	Oct 8
June 24	Aug 25	Oct 14	June 25	Aug 27	Oct 15

- 6.3 The scheduled time of the first warning signal is 18:25 for JOG and PHRF all courses.
- **6.4** There will be a 5 horn blast, one minute prior to the warning signal to notify boats the warning signal is following. The next start(s) will be on a rolling start sequence. Classes will start in alphabetical order, with splits to be determined based on the number of boats registered and their ratings.
- **6.5** The race committee has the right to advance the start time, based on all participants being in the start area. This will be signified by 5 horn blasts 1(one) minute prior to the warning signal. (class flag up).
- 6.6 For the Fall season only, C fleet boats will start first, followed by B fleet boats, then A.

# **7 EQUIPMENT**

7.1 JOG class boats that are sloop rigged shall not use more than 1 headsail at a time, and that sail shall be attached for its entire luff to the forestay in a fractional rig or to the headstay in a masthead rig. Boats that are permanently rigged as a cutter may use both JIB and a staysail, provided they both are attached for their entire length to their respective stays.

# **8 COURSES**

**8.1** The courses shall be sailed according to the directions and maps included in the sailing instructions.

# WEEKLY RACING NOTICE

#### 9 PENALTY SYSTEM

- **9.1** For all classes, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the 2 turns penalty is replaced by the one turn penalty.
- 9.2 Starting penalties 30.1, 30.2, and 30.3 will not be in effect for this event.

### 10 SCORING

- **10.1** Scoring for these series' shall be done according to RRS 90.3 and appendix A. The low point system shall apply.
- 10.2 A boat's series score shall be the total of its races excluding its 1 worst score.
- **10.3** A boat receiving a DNE by a protest committee must use the race score in which the DNE happened in its scoring for that series and the overall series.
- **10.4** Rule 5.3 applies to this series. A boat scored DNS (Did not start but came to the starting area), DNF (Did not finish), or DSQ (Disqualified), shall be scored 1 point more than the number of boats coming to the starting area. A boat scored DNC (Did not start, did not come to the starting area), shall be scored 1 point more than the number of boats registered in that series.
- 10.5 Ties will be broken according to Appendix A8

# 11 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

**11.1** A person may not skipper another boat in a race series in which their own boat is registered in the same class, race, or series. Due to the nature of racing in the Detroit River, only LMYC members may skipper boats in these races, except as noted in 4.1 Eligibility and Entry.

# 12 RISK STATEMENT

**12.1** RRS 3 states: "the responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or continue to race 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 an increased risk of injury.

Inherent to the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.

# 13 INSURANCE

**13.1** Each boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. A copy of the policy with expiry dates showing shall be included with registration if it has not been provided to the harbour master.

# 14 PRIZES

**14.1** Prizes in the form of flags and trophies/plaques will be awarded for the top 3 boats in each series and for the overall winner.

### **15 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

**15.1** Prior to the start of any race, all skippers and crew must have reviewed the Sail Canada Concussion Protocol, Pre-Season Concussion Education sheet, and physically signed a copy of the Concussion Code of Conduct. These documents are to be kept on-board the during all races.

# 15 PHOTO AND VIDEO DISCLAIMER

**15.1** By participating in the event, competitors give absolute right and permission for any photograph and video footage taken of themselves and the boat there are sailing during the event to be published in any media whatsoever, for editorial, advertising, or to be use in press information without compensation.

# **16 FURTHER INFORMATION**

**16.1** For further information, please contact race director via email at <a href="mailto:lmycracing@gmail.com">lmycracing@gmail.com</a>