



90th Independence Race Sailing Instructions Friday July 4th, 2025

1) RACE DAY SCHEDULE

- a) 09:00am Sailors Meeting at GIYC where Coffee and doughnuts will be provided. All sailors are welcome.
- b) 11:00am Earliest Start
- c) 2:00pm GIYC After Party
 - i) Please join us for a *free keg of beer, live entertainment, and a selection of grilled sandwiches (\$)* on the front lawn of Grosse Ile Yacht Club following the race. Dockage may be provided for competitors. For docking assistance, please contact Brian Rooks (RC) 313-805-4747
- d) ~1 hour after last boat finishes Results and trophies will be announced, and awards presented.
 - i) The Bronze Cannon Trophy (Best corrected -Spinnaker Fleet)
 - ii) The Black Cannon Trophy (Best Corrected JAM Fleet)

2) RACING COURSE

- a) This will be a ~8.7 Nm Pursuit Race starting at "N" mark and finishing at GIYC.
- b) The committee boat will display either a red or green flag to designate the course.
- c) The Courses options and Marks are included in *SI ADDENDUM 1*.
- d) The Starting Sequence will be included in *SI ADDENDUM 2*.

3) THE START

- a) The race will use a pursuit start based on each boat's PHRF rating. Each boat is responsible for looking up their start time from the starting sequence table in Addendum 2.
- b) The starting line is between the "N" Mark and an orange flag on the signal vessel.
- c) An audible attention signal will be sounded at 10:55.
- d) Skipper shall be responsible for starting on or after their designated start time. GPS time will be used.
- e) If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting time and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- f) Physical contact with the race committee boat will result in automatic disqualification (DSQ) by the Race Committee without appeal. This changes RRS 31 and A5.1.

4) THE FINISH

- a) The finishing line is between the GIYC Flagpole, and RN10.
- b) If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she shall report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

5) TIME LIMIT

- a) The Race Time Limit is 4 Hours.
- b) Boats failing to finish within the Finishing time limit, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place [one] more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing time limit. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- c) Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

6) PENALTY SYSTEM

a) For all classes, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the *One-Turn Penalty*.



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7) RULES

- a) This race will be under the management Grosse Ile Yacht Club Race Committee, which will have full and final authority in establishing the race articles and in interpreting the rules.
- b) The RACING RULES of SAILING (RRS), and the prescriptions of the US SAILING, except as modified by this program, will govern.

8) SCORING

a) Due to the pursuit start, the finish place of boats is determined by order in which the boats cross the finish line. The finish times will not be adjusted with any PHRF correction using this format.

9) COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN RC COMMITTEE AND COMPETITORS

- a) Any changes to the sailing instructions will be announced at the skipper's meeting and posted on the official Notice Board at www.noticeofrace.net.
- b) On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate on channel VHF CH71.
- c) 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.
- d) A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- e) Signals made ashore will be displayed on the GIYC Flagpole.
- f) If flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

10) EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

a) A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

11) PROTESTS

- a) The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat finishes.
- b) Hearing request forms are available from the race office at https://www.ussailing.org/resource-library/us-sailing-hearing-request-form/
- c) Notices will be posted on the GIYC website no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held upstairs at GIYC, beginning at the time posted.
- d) RRS 62.2(a) and 66.2(a) do not apply.

12) RISK STATEMENT

a) RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to 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 increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

13) INSURANCE

a) Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.



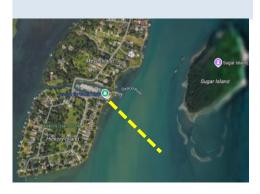
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Friday, July 4th, 2025 Addendum 1

Start @ "N" Mark				
Classes	Start Time			
Spinnaker A				
Spinnaker B	See Addendum 2			
JAM				

Finish @ GIYC

The finishing line is between the GIYC Flagpole and Red Nun #10.



	Grosse Ile Area Marks Table					
Marks	Description	Latd°-m'	Longd°-m'			
С	WNATR C	N - 42 - 1.2511	W - 83 - 6.675			
CL	Colchester Light	N - 41 - 55.932	W - 82 - 53.46			
DL	Detroit Light	N - 42 - 0.049	W - 83 - 8.473			
DL8	Livingston Chan. DL8 Buoy	N - 42 - 3.851	W - 83 - 7.924			
\mathbf{E}	WNATR E	N - 42 - 1.2642	W - 83 - 5.3938			
EO	East Outer "1E" Green	N - 41 - 54.755	W - 83 - 7.283			
GIYC	GIYC	N - 42 - 5.396	W - 83 - 9.045			
GS	Grecian Shoal EM2	N - 41 - 57.917	W - 82 - 56.049			
HVOW	Huron Vally Outfall West (PRIV	N - 42 - 3.152	W - 83 - 9.828			
N	WNATR N	N - 42 - 2.2571	W - 83 - 6.7124			
NE	WNATR NE	N - 42 - 1.9871	W - 83 - 5.7005			
NW	WNATR NW	N - 42 - 1.9571	W - 83 - 7.6256			
PMR4	Point Mouillee Red Nun 4	N - 42 - 0.389	W - 83 - 9.735			
RN10	Grosse ile Red Nun #10	N - 42 - 5.266	W - 83 - 8.982			
RN2	Grosse ile Red Nun #2	N - 42 - 4.369	W - 83 - 9.198			
RN4	Grosse ile Red Nun #4	N - 42 - 4.654	W - 83 - 9.335			
S	WNATR S	N - 42 - 0.2524	W - 83 - 6.6699			
SE	WNATR SE	N - 42 - 0.5449	W - 83 - 5.7247			
SW	WNATR SW	N - 42 - 0.5449	W - 83 - 7.6253			
T10	Tower 10 (FI R 2.5s 44ft 7 St M '	N - 41 - 57.803	W - 83 - 7.27			
W	WNATR W	N - 42 - 1.2793	W - 83 - 7.985			
WO	West Outer "1W" Green	N - 41 - 57.0159	W - 83 - 9.539			
Y10	Lake Erie Metro Yellow Lt.	N - 42 - 2.981	W - 83 - 10.497			

Red Course	Marks	N	S	E	N	DL8	RN2	RN4	RN10	
	Rounding	Start	P	P	S	P	S	S	Finish	
8.67 Nm	Distance Nm	-	2.0	1.4	1.4	1.8	1.1	0.3	0.7	
	HDG °True	-	179	52	307	323	292	332	31	

Green Course	Marks	N	E	S	N	DL8	RN2	RN4	RN10	
	Rounding	Start	S	S	P	P	S	S	Finish	
8.67 Nm	Distance Nm	-	1.4	1.4	2.0	1.8	1.1	0.3	0.7	
	HDG °True	-	127	232	359	323	292	332	31	

Red Nun #8 must be left to Starboard when approaching the Finish.



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Friday, July 4th, 2025 Addendum 2

GPS Time Will Be Used

Distance (Nm) 8.67
Earliest Start 11:00:00 AM

	Start Time By
PHRF Rating	Handicap
0	11:35:59 AM
1	11:35:50 AM
2	11:35:41 AM
3	11:35:33 AM
4	11:35:24 AM
5	11:35:15 AM
6	11:35:13 AM
7	11:34:58 AM
8	11:34:49 AM
9	11:34:41 AM
10	11:34:32 AM
11	11:34:23 AM
12	11:34:15 AM
13	11:34:06 AM
14	11:33:57 AM
15	11:33:49 AM
16	11:33:49 AM
17	
18	11:33:31 AM
19	11:33:23 AM
	11:33:14 AM
20	11:33:05 AM
21	11:32:57 AM
22	11:32:48 AM
23	11:32:39 AM
24	11:32:31 AM
25	11:32:22 AM
26	11:32:13 AM
27	11:32:05 AM
28	11:31:56 AM
29	11:31:47 AM
30	11:31:39 AM
31	11:31:30 AM
32	11:31:21 AM
33	11:31:13 AM
34	11:31:04 AM
35	11:30:55 AM
36	11:30:47 AM
37	11:30:38 AM
38	11:30:29 AM
39	11:30:21 AM
40	11:30:12 AM
41	11:30:03 AM
42	11:29:55 AM
43	11:29:46 AM
44	11:29:37 AM
45	11:29:29 AM
46	11:29:20 AM
47	11:29:11 AM
48	11:29:03 AM
49	11:28:54 AM

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	Start Time By
Rating	Handicap
50	11:28:45 AM
51	11:28:37 AM
52	11:28:28 AM
53	11:28:19 AM
54	11:28:11 AM
55	11:28:02 AM
56	11:27:53 AM
57	11:27:45 AM
58	11:27:36 AM
59	11:27:27 AM
60	11:27:19 AM
61	11:27:10 AM
62	11:27:01 AM
63	11:26:53 AM
64	11:26:44 AM
65	11:26:35 AM
66	11:26:27 AM
67	11:26:18 AM
68	11:26:09 AM
69	11:26:01 AM
70	11:25:52 AM
71	11:25:43 AM
72	11:25:35 AM
73	11:25:26 AM
74	11:25:17 AM
75	11:25:09 AM
76	11:25:09 AM
77	11:24:51 AM
78	11:24:43 AM
79	11:24:34 AM
80	11:24:25 AM
81	11:24:17 AM
82	11:24:08 AM
83	11:23:59 AM
84	11:23:51 AM
85	11:23:42 AM
86	11:23:33 AM
87	11:23:25 AM
88	11:23:16 AM
89	11:23:07 AM
90	11:22:59 AM
91	11:22:50 AM
92	11:22:41 AM
93	11:22:33 AM
94	11:22:24 AM
95	11:22:15 AM
96	11:22:07 AM
97	11:21:58 AM
98	11:21:49 AM
99	11:21:41 AM

PHRF	Start Time By
Rating	Handicap
100	11:21:32 AM
101	11:21:23 AM
102	11:21:14 AM
103	11:21:06 AM
104	11:20:57 AM
105	11:20:48 AM
106	11:20:40 AM
107	11:20:31 AM
108	11:20:22 AM
109	11:20:14 AM
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