



Labor Day Race

Sailing Instructions Monday, September 1st, 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 1st Class Starts
- c) 2:30pm GIYC Awards 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 will 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 award flags presented.
 - i) The Stroh Trophy (Best corrected PHRF Overall)
 - ii) The number of flags will depend on the number of competitors per class: 1st place flag for 2 competitors, 1st & 2nd for 3 competitors, 1st, 2nd & 3rd for 4 or more competitors.

2) RACING DESCRIPTION

a) The course will be a modified Olympic Triangle using the WNATR buoys and will be approximately 9Nm.

3) COURSES, MARKS, STARTING CLASSES and SEQUENCES

a) The Courses, Marks and Starting Sequence will be included in SI ADDENDUM 1.

4) THE START

- a) Races will be started using RRS 26.
- b) The starting line is between the WNATR "C" mark and an orange flag on the signal vessel.
- c) Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- d) If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal 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).
- e) Starting Sequence

Warning Signal	Class	Flag Color
10:55 am	Spinnaker A	Blue
11:00 am	Spinnaker B	Green
11:05 am	Jam	Purple

5) THE FINISH

- a) The finishing line is between the WNATR "C" mark and an orange flag on the signal vessel.
- 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.

6) 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).

7) PENALTY SYSTEM

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



Labor Day Race

Sailing Instructions Monday, September 1st, 2025

8) 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.

9) SCORING

a) The scoring system as stated in RRS Appendix A, SCORING.

10) 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.

11) EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

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

12) PROTESTS

- a) The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the RC boat returns to the dock.
- 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.

13) 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.

14) 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.

ADDENDUM 1



Labor Day Race Course Options

Grosse Ile Area Marks Table									
Marks	Description	Latd°-m'	Longdo-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						
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						
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						
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 S	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						

Course 1	Marks	С	N	S	N	W	S	С		
	Rounding	Start	р	р	р	р	р	Finish		
8.8 Nm	Distance Nm	_	1.0	2.0	2.0	1.4	1.4	1.0		
0.0 1 1111	HDG °True	_	358	179	359	224	136	360		
				-,,			200	000		
Course 2	Marks	С	NE	SW	NE	NW	SW	С		
	Rounding	Start	р	p	р	р	р	Finish		
8.9 Nm	Distance Nm	-	1.0	2.0	2.0	1.4	1.4	1.0		
017 1 (111	HDG °True	-	45	225	45	269	180	45		
		_								
Course 3	Marks	С	E	W	E	NW	W	С		
	Rounding	Start	p	p	p	p	p	Finish		
8.3 Nm	Distance Nm	-	1.0	1.9	1.9	1.8	0.7	1.0		
	HDG °True	-	89	270	90	293	202	92		
Carrage 4	Marks	С	SE	NW	SE	NE	NW	С		
Course 4		Start						Finish		
0.037	Rounding Distance Nm	Start	p	p 2.0	p 2.0	p 1.4	p 1.4	1.0		
8.9 Nm	HDG °True		135	315	135	1.4	269	135		
	IIDO IIuc		133	313	133	1	20)	133		
Course 5	Marks	С	S	N	S	E	N	С		
	Rounding	Start	р	р	р	р	р	Finish		
8.8 Nm	Distance Nm	-	1.0	2.0	2.0	1.4	1.4	1.0		
	HDG °True	-	180	359	179	43	315	178		
			0.7777		0.7777	0.77				
Course 6	Marks	С	SW	NE	SW	SE	NE	С		
	Rounding	Start	p	p	p	p	p	Finish		
9.0 Nm	Distance Nm	-	1.0	2.0	2.0	1.4	1.4	1.0		
	HDG °True	-	225	45	225	90	1	225		
Course 7	Marks	С	W	E	W	SE	E	С		
Course i	Rounding	Start	р	р	р	р	р	Finish		
8.4 Nm	Distance Nm	-	1.0	1.9	1.9	1.8	0.8	1.0		
0.4 INIII	HDG °True	-	272	90	270	114	19	269		
Course 8	Marks	C	NW	SE	NW	SW	SE	С		
	Rounding	Start	р	р	р	р	р	Finish		
8.8 Nm	Distance Nm	-	1.0	2.0	2.0	1.4	1.4	1.0		
010 1 1111	HDG °True	_	315	135	315	180	90	315		
	1120 1140		313	155	515	100	70	515		