Sailing Instructions

PHRF Moonlight Race Hosted by Sandpoint Sailing Association Fisherman's Islands – July 22nd

Preface: Please read the NOR for this event concerning starting location and time.

1. RULES

- 1.1 This series will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 Changes to the rules may be noted elsewhere in the NOR or SIs.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 This race does not have any official race committee. A request for redress may not be based on any aspect of unofficial communication, including content, timeliness, or failure to hear. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 2.2 This race will be a self-timed event. It is preferable that the start is a rabbit style start.
- 2.2 The preferred VHF radio channel will be 72.
- 2.3 Notices to competitors will be posted on sandpointsailing.org.

3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

3.1 There will be no signals made ashore

4. RACE COMMITTEE

4.1 The acting PHRF fleet captain (Sadi Long) will be the lead officer and act in place of RC for information about the start and the course.

5. RACING AREA

5.1 The Moonlight Race shall be bounded by the RR Bridge to the south, and a line extending from Fisherman's Islands to Anderson Point for the Eastern boundary.

6. COURSES

6.1 There is no designated course other than the area in between the starting area and the finish line.

7. THE START

- 7.1 Following the raft up and cook out at a time discretionary to the race participants, the race will begin.
- 7.2 There will not be conventional time sequence.
- 7.3 RC has the option of a rabbit start or single start.
- 7.3.1 A rabbit start involves starting the highest rate boats first and allowing measured time intervals to pass between each starting boat, ending with the fastest boat starting last. Each boat keeps her own time.
- 7.3.2 Single start constitutes every boat starting at an agreed place and point in time. Each boat keeping her own time.

8. THE FINISH

- The finishing line will be two of the no wake buoys east of the Windbag Marina. These buoys will be marked with lights.
- 8.2 Each boat is responsible for her own time.

9. TIME LIMIT

9.1 If no boat sails the course and finishes by 00:00 7/23/23 her start, the race will be abandoned. Boats failing to finish by 01:30 will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

10. PROTESTS AND PENALTIES

- 10.1 A boat intending to protest or request redress for an incident that occurred while racing must orally notify the race committee on the signal boat as soon as reasonably possible after retiring or finishing by hail or VHF until she receives oral confirmation from the race committee.
- 10.2 Fleet Captains shall be informed by the race committee of a protest or request for redress hearing as soon as practical. The Fleet Captains will assemble a Protest Committee, which will be composed of three representatives from boats not involved in the incident.
- 10.3 Protest forms are available at the Windbag Marina.
- 10.4 All hearings will be at Fred's Deck unless inclement weather forces a hearing at an alternate location.
- 10.4 A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing unless the incident occurred within the zone in which case a boat may take a Two-Turn Penalty. This changes RRS rule 44.1.

11. SCORING

11.1 PHRF scores will be handicapped as according.

Handicapped fleets are handicapped using ratings assigned by the Sandpoint Sailing Association. Valid PHRF-NW ratings are also accepted. Races are handicapped using time-on-time scoring with the Time Correction Factor (TCF) calculated as follows: $TCF = 700 \div (550 + rating)$

12. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

12.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing, nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

13. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

13.1 Crew may be substituted without approval of the Race Committee.

14. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

14.1 On the water, a boat can be instructed by a member of the race committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. Ashore, equipment may be inspected or measured at times specified in the class rules or the notice of race.

15. SAFETY

- 15.1 A boat that retires (RET) from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 15.2 Competitors participate in racing entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.
 15.3 The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained prior to, in conjunction with, or after racing.