

2018 Bluffers Basin Monday Night Double Handed Series

NOTICE TO RACERS #1

June 5, 2018

RULES AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

This notice and instructions supplement those given in the Bluffers Basin Race Management Committee's Bluffers Basin Challenge Series Racing Handbook and Sailing Instructions booklet, April 15th, 2018 Edition, available at:

https://www.bpyc.on.ca/documents/2018/2018_Basin_Race_Handbook_-_2018-04-15.pdf

ELIGIBILITY

The Series is open to Single-Handed (Skipper Only) or Double -Handed (Skipper and one additional crew) crewed yachts. The skipper of each sailboat must be a minimum of 18 years of age. Children under the age of 12 or pets do not count as crew.

CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Additions, changes, and exceptions to these Sailing Instructions may be made in writing (i.e. as a Notice to Racers) at any time throughout the season, provided that these Notices are communicated directly to competitors via their registered email address a minimum of 24 hours before they take effect.

COMMITTEE BOAT BACKUP

The committee boat and any required backups will be provided by the Bluffers Basin Race Management Committee.

RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

In an attempt to reduce traffic around the Race Committee boat in the pre-start, it is the intent of the Race Committee to radio broadcast on VHF channel 71 the course to be sailed for the upcoming race. This announcement shall be made seconds prior the lowering of the "R" Flag (on station flag). A second courtesy broadcast shall consist of a 10 second countdown for the raising of the Numeral 1 pennant. It remains each competitor's

responsibility to check -in with the RC boat, confirm the course posted, and in accordance with RRS 26, visual starting signals shall govern, and the failure of related sound signals and broadcasts shall be disregarded.

AUTOPILOTS

Use of mechanical powered autopilot equipment is permitted.

CALENDAR

Race 1	Monday, June 11, 2017
Race 2	Monday, June 25, 2017
Race 3	Monday, July 9, 2017
Race 4	Monday, July 23, 2017
Race 5	Monday, August 13, 2017

RACE START TIME

The committee boat will leave the dock at approximately **18:05** hours each day.

The "R" flag will be taken down at approximately **18:39** hours.

The first start will be at approximately **18:45** hours.

COURSE

Races will be approximately 5-7 miles in length based on wind conditions and, if appropriate, make use of all marks on the course including marks 9 and 10

SCORING CLASSES AND DIVISIONAL STARTS

The fleet will be divided into Starts and scoring Divisions per the table below:

Start	Division	Description
1	1	Non-Flying Sails - PHRF ASP 190 and over
1	2	Non-Flying Sails - PHRF ASP 140 to 189
2	3	Non-Flying Sails - PHRF ASP 139 and under

NOTE: The RC will post the course for each start. Racers are reminded to watch for RC signals regarding shortened course.