



## Great Lakes Singlehanded Society

### St. Clair Solo Race September 29, 2007 Sailing Instructions

#### 1 Organization and Management

The race shall be under the management of the Great Lakes Singlehanded Society Race Committee who shall have authority to interpret the racing conditions and the racing rules. Except as modified by these instructions, the race shall be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing for 2205-2008 as adopted by US Sailing Association.

#### 2 Responsibility

In this regatta, neither the Great Lakes Singlehanded Society, nor the Race Committee, nor any officer of the Society be held liable for any injury or damage whatsoever to persons or property connected with or belonging to any participant in the race. All participants such as skippers, officials, and others engaged in the race participate solely at their own risk. The entrant represents to the Great Lake Singlehanded Society that his or her vessel is seaworthy and that all U.S. Coast Guard required equipment and safety equipment is kept and properly maintained, and the skipper is competent to handle the vessel for this event.

#### 3 Personal Safety

A safety harness of the skipper's choices **SHALL** be worn and attached to the yacht from the time the yacht leaves the harbor to start the solo race until the yacht returns to the harbor. Failure to comply shall result in disqualification.

#### 4 Skippers' meeting

Where: **Great Lakes Yacht Club**                      When: **Friday, 28 September 2007**  
**20:00 hr.**

Address and directions to Great Lakes Yacht Club are listed below

#### 5 Time Limit

There is no time limit for this race. The Race Committee (RC) boat at their discretion may or may not be on station at the finish line after 1900 hours. Skippers finishing when the RC boat is off station must record their own finish time and report the information within 60 minutes by; VHF radio (**CH. 68**), Telephone: (586) 778-9510, or person to the Race Committee at GLYC.

#### 6 Withdrawals

Participants withdrawing from this race **SHALL** notify the Race Committee by VHF radio (**CH. 68**) or by telephone: (586) 778-9510 (GLYC) within a reasonable amount of time. If there is no answer by telephone, leave a message informing the RC. **WARNING: Failure to comply with this directive shall result in the competitor not being invited to compete in future Great Lake Singlehanded Society races.**

#### 7 Protests and Redress

All protest or redress must be filed in writing per US RRS Part 5 Section A with the Race Committee within 60 minutes after finishing the race.

#### 8 Radio

The Race Committee and Yachts are required to monitor VHF radio **CH 68**.

#### 9 Starting Line

The starting line shall be between the RC flag displayed from the Race Committee vessel and a designated buoy located approximately 1 nautical mile northeast of the GLYC marina. **CAUTION: CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE "GAUKLER SHOAL". CHECK YOUR CHART(S) FOR DETAILS.**

#### 10 Restricted Area Near Starting Line

Prior to the starting signal of the division ahead, all other yachts must keep clear of yachts on the first leg of the course that have started and the restricted area 100 yards behind and parallel to the starting line.

#### 11 Starting time and Sequence

The first class will start at 09:00 hours. PHRF class (long course) followed by JAM (short course) and Mulihull (long course). Races will be started using rule 26 with the warning signal given 10 minutes before the starting signal. This changes RRS 26. Starting times, starting sequences and division splits will be provided at the Skippers' Meeting.

## 12 Recall

The Race Committee will display a code flag "X" (white field with blue cross) with one sound and may hail or announce the sail number(s) of over early yacht(s) by VHF (**CH 68**). The code flag "X" will be displayed until all over early yachts have restarted properly or four minutes after the starting signal. Over early yachts failing to restart within the four minute time frame will be assessed a 30 minute penalty plus the elapsed time between the start and proper finish.

## 13 Postponement

Skippers will be notified of a postponement from the Race Committee with the display of the code flag "AP" (cone shaped with vertical red and white stripes) accompanied with two sounds. This signal postpones the start for those divisions that have not yet started. It will be lowered one minute before the raising of the warning signal for the next scheduled class start. Class starts may be broadcast on VHF (**CH 68**) by the race committee.

## 14 Courses

Race committee will post a colored flag as to the direction of rounding the marks.

Red flag on Race Committee Boat                      Marks to Port  
Green flag on Race Committee Boat                    Marks to Starboard

The Race Committee, if conditions dictate at the start of the race, can display a code flag "S" (white field with blue square) for shorten course. All vessels will sail the Short Course listed below.

### 14.1 Long Course (PHRF Classes):

Approximant locations				Total distance: 39.3 nm
Leg	Description	Lat.	Long.	Distance & Heading
Start	Between Race Committee & LSSC G Mark	N 42° 28.5'	W 82° 51.0'	
1	Starting line to channel mark R18	N 42° 25.7'	W 82° 48.2'	3.5 nm @ 151° Mag
2	R18 to Thames River buoy RW "T" Mo(A)	N 42° 20.7'	W 82° 28.2'	15.6 nm @ 116° Mag
3	Thames Buoy to R28 channel mark	N 42° 29.7'	W 82° 42.9'	14.1 nm @ 317° Mag
4	R28 to finish line / RC / LSSC G Mark	N 42° 28.5'	W 82° 51.0'	6.1 nm @ 266° Mag

### 14.2 Short Course (JAM)

Approximant locations				Total distance: 17.9 nm
Leg	Description	Lat.	Long.	Distance & Heading
Start	Between Race Committee & LSSC G Mark	N 42° 28.5'	W 82° 51.0'	
1	Starting line to channel mark R18	N 42° 25.7'	W 82° 48.2'	3.5 nm @ 151° Mag
2	R18 to Huron Pt. buoy "1PH"	N 42° 33.2'	W 82° 44.9'	7.9 nm @ 025° Mag
3	Huron Pt. buoy to / RC / LSSC G Mark	N 42° 28.5'	W 82° 51.0'	6.5 nm @ 231° Mag

## 15 Finish Line

Finish line is between Race Committee & LSSC G Mark. The Race Committee reserves the right to abandon the race or modify the finish line as conditions dictate by radio, VHF (**CH 68**).

## 16 Freighter Channel Crossings

Yachts participating in these races shall not interfere with shipping traffic in accordance with Federal law 89-764 and USCG Rule 18. Yachts violating these provisions shall be subject to protest by the race committee.

## 17 Awards

All participants and their guests are invited to attend the awards presentations at the GLYC after the race.

## 19 Slips & Dockage:

Overnight dockage is based on a first come basis. Rafting may be required as conditions dictate.

## 20 Race Chairman and entry form mailing address:

Steven Stoll  
19913 Rosedale  
St. Clair Shores, MI. 48080

TEL: (586) 612-7971  
E-mail: [swstoll@comcast.net](mailto:swstoll@comcast.net)

**Direction to the Great Lakes Yacht Club**

From I-94, Exit the 9 Mile Rd. Exit and turn east to Jefferson, (approx. 3 miles). At Jefferson turn left or north. And go Approx. 1/2 mile. On the east side of the street you will find the sign for Andiamo's restaurant. The yacht club shares the same driveway as the restaurant. Follow the drive to the restaurant, and go along the south side of the building and the entrance to the yacht club will be in front of you. If the gate is not open then use the call box on your left and press the button for the intercom. Some one will open it from the club building.

Great Lakes Yacht Club  
23900 Jefferson Ave.  
St. Clair Shores, MI 48080  
TEL: (586) 778-9510

**Launch Ramp Locations:**

- > End of 9 Mile Rd.
- > Metro Beach
- > Clinton River

**Entry forms and information:**

- > Website: [www.solosailor.org](http://www.solosailor.org)
- > PayPal electronic payments possible.