DETROIT REGIONAL YACHT-RACING ASSOCIATION

CRUISER – RACER CLASS RULES FOR MEMBER CLUB RACES

January 1, 2027

If you are interested in joining this class, please sign up under Cruiser - Racer on the DRYA annual renewal form.

The Class has a start on DRYA / Club Courses. The race pennant for the class will be Class Flag E. Commodore John Raguse is the Secretary of the Class.

CRUISER-RACER RULES:

Boats shall possess a valid current year MWPHRF certificate.

The Boat as configured and rated shall have a combined upwind and downwind Sail Area to Displacement of 32.5 or less. (Upwind Sail Area to Displacement + Downwind Sail Area to Displacement / 2).

Boats shall comply with IMS Accomodation Regulations as follows :

Living & Sleeping Areas : A main salon with a table and settee separated by rigid bulkheads from a dedicated sleeping area with berths and gear stowage.

Galley : A functional cooking area equipped with a stove, sink, and food/gear stowage.

Navigation Station : A designated chart table and space for instrument and electronics storage.

Enclosed Head : An enclosed toilet compartment with a rigid door, wash basin, pump or tap, and proper drainage.

Water & Fuel : Permanent inboard fuel tankage for boats with inboard internal combustion engines and fresh water capacity, scaled to the length of the boat and crew size.

Headroom & Cabin Sole : Full fore-and-aft cabin soles and length-based headroom.

Cockpit Comfort : Fixed cockpit seating complete with seatbacks, coamings, and proper bench lengths.

The allowable MWPHRF range of boats is a DHCP base handicap of 58 to 180.

A maximum of Three (3) asymmetrical spinnakers may be carried. Code 0's are included as part of the sail allowance. Flying headsails (mid-girth less than 75% of foot, are not permitted.)

The largest spinnaker carried will be shown on the yacht's MWPHRF certificate.

Any spinnaker with a mid girth of 85% or less of the J dimension (specialty sail) shall also be shown on the yacht's MWPHRF Certificate.

No asymmetrical spinnaker with a mid girth of less than 110% of TPS shall be used.

No whisker or spinnaker poles may be used to fly the asymmetrical spinnaker.

The asymmetrical spinnaker tack must be attached to a tack point (TPS) (or is attached to a tack line that is led to a tack point) that is no more than 125% of the J dimension, and as near as possible to, the centerline of the hull.

There is no restriction on the length of the tack line, but it is strictly prohibited to divert the tack line by any means such as, but not limited to, through or around an after guy, pulpit, cleats, Turks head, bow chock or other outrigger before it reaches the spinnaker tack block.

A maximum of two (2) jibs greater than 110% LP may be carried. The largest headsail carried will be shown on the yacht's MWPHRF certificate.

Whisker or spinnaker poles limited in length to J may be used for poling out jibs or genoas.

A boat may only fly one sail forward of the mast at any time, except while actively engaged in the process of changing sails forward of the mast. This prohibits the use of staysails, and partially or completely unfurled headsails while an asymmetrical spinnaker is flying.

Power driven winches may be used.

In severe wind conditions, the use of a Storm Jib is allowed (area of the storm jib cannot exceed 5% of "I" squared) as the only sail being flown forward of the mast.

A boat with Roller Furling shall keep her headsail fully furled at all times when not in use, except while actively changing headsails. This specifically prohibits dropping a headsail to the deck at any time except while actively changing headsails.

A boat with this handicap may or may not have a roller furling genoa (RFG). If an RFG is used, it must comply with the requirements in MWPHRF.