

*West Shore Sail Club
Doublehanded Race Application
June 30, 2007*

Fill in and mail with entry fee

Name _____

Boat Name _____

Address _____

Boat Type _____ Sail # _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Rating (enclose valid rating certificate) _____

Phone Number _____

Class (circle one) Spinnaker JAM

Mail Application to:

Entry Fee:

Jody Larrow
1716 Birchcrest Drive
Dearborn, MI 48124

Entry fee is \$25.00 US (US Sailing members may take a \$5.00 discount on their entry fee). Make checks payable to West Shore Sail Club.
Entry deadline is: June 29, 2007 @ 1800 hrs.

Phone: (313) 598-6370

Email: vicecommodore@westshoresailclub.org

In consideration of being permitted to enter this race, and being fully knowledgeable of the risk of sailing as a competitive sport, I and my crew agree to assume the risks of participation and hold harmless all losses and or claims incident thereto, West Shore Sail Club and the personnel associated with organizing and running this race. I have in effect the proper liability insurance necessary to insure against loss or damage to property and/or life for my own and for the safety of other competitors. The establishment of special regulations and/or instructions in no way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the Skipper to start, participate, and continue in this race.

Signed _____

Date _____

US Sailing Number _____

West Shore Sail Club Doublehanded Race Rules

1. MANAGEMENT AND RULES

- 1.1. The races will be under the management of the West Shore Sail Club Race Committee, which will have full and final authority in establishing the racing articles and in interpreting the rules. All races will be governed by the RACING RULES of SAILING (RRS), and the prescriptions of the UNITED STATES SAILING ASSOCIATION, except as modified by these sailing instructions, which shall take precedence if conflicts occur. In addition, yachts shall abide by all rules as prescribed by their rafting rule (PHRF, MORC, or JAM).

2. ENTRIES

- 2.1. Entry is open to all monohull sailing auxiliaries that meet the Federal Requirements for Safety and Lighting. The Skipper must ensure that the yacht is well found, thoroughly seaworthy and that the hull, spars, rigging, sails, and all equipment is properly maintained and stowed and that the crew knows where it is kept and how it is used. The minimum size for any yacht wishing to enter shall be 20 feet LOA unless it has a valid PHRF or MORC certificate.
- 2.2. The safety of a yacht and its crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the skipper. It shall be the complete and unlimited responsibility of each skipper to decide whether to start, continue, or finish a race. Skippers must be a member of a yacht or sail club, or other organization affiliated with a national sailing authority. A competent crew that is physically fit to face adverse conditions shall man all yachts.
- 2.3. Any changes to these Sailing Instructions will be posted on the bulletin board outside the front entrance to Grosse Ile Yacht Club and Ford Yacht Club before **June 29, 2007 @ 1800 hrs.**
- 2.4. Personal flotation devices or harnesses are MANDATORY!

3. SAIL NUMBERS

- 3.1. Sail numbers must be carried on both sides of mainsail and overlapping headsails. Spinnakers must have sail numbers on at least one side, in compliance with RRS Appendix H. **FINISH TIMES MAY NOT BE TAKEN** if sails are not numbered as registered.

4. RATINGS

- 4.1. Yachts racing in spinnaker classes will be rated based on the handicap indicated by a current, valid LE-PHRF certificate. Entries not having an official rating certificate may be **ASSESSED A PENALTY** in seconds per mile.
- 4.2. Yachts racing in JAM classes will be rated based on the handicap indicated by a current, valid NON-SPINNAKER PHRF-LE certificate. The following apply to yachts racing in the JAM Classes:
 - 4.2.1. Whisker poles may be used to extend the jib claw when sailing downwind. The whisker pole may be extended no further than the 'J' dimension, and shall be attached to the mast when in use.
 - 4.2.2. Except for the use of a pole as described above, only sail and rig combinations that the yacht is designed to carry when sailing closehauled may be employed off the wind.
 - 4.2.3. Offwind staysails or reaching jibs are not permitted. Jibs must be attached to their stay for their entire length of luff when hoisted.
 - 4.2.4. **ONLY ONE (1) HEADSAIL IS ALLOWED AT A TIME.**

5. COURSES AND MARKS

- 5.1. ALL classes will proceed from the start as follows:

(Red Flag displayed on Committee Boat) Proceed from the start located at WSSC buoy "N" (~N 42 02.4 W 083 07.2) to the East Outer Channel Marker "1E" leaving it to port. From the East Outer Channel Marker proceed to Grecian Shoal Buoy "EM2" and leave it to port. Then proceed to the finish line located between the Detroit Light and buoy G9 leaving the Detroit Light to Starboard. If no committee boat is present, record your finish time.

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5.2. ALL classes will proceed from the start as follows:

(Green Flag displayed on Committee Boat) Proceed from the start located at WSSC buoy "N" (~N 42 02.4 W 083 07.2) to Grecian Shoal Buoy "EM2" leaving it to Starboard. Proceed to the East Outer Channel Buoy "1E" leaving it to starboard. Then proceed to the finish line located between the Detroit Light and buoy G9 leaving the Detroit Light to Starboard. If no committee boat is present, record your finish time

5.3. All classes shall start between the WSSC "N" buoy and the WSSC committee boat.

5.4. For scoring purposes, the length of the Green course is **23.6 NM**, and the Red course distance is **25.5 NM**.

6. START

6.1. Races will be started using RRS rule 26, System 2, with classes starting at 5 minute intervals.

6.2. The starting line will be marked by the mast of the committee boat, or a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat, and the WNATR "N" buoy, approximately 1.5 NM SE of Red Nun #2.

6.3. The committee boat will attempt to acknowledge any boats on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal by one or more of the following: displaying code flag X (white with blue cross), sounding a horn for each premature starter, and hailing the sail number or boat name. Failure of a boat to observe these signals will not excuse a premature start. It is the responsibility of each yacht to make a proper start.

6.4. Any yacht that comes in contact with the committee boat is subject to immediate disqualification.

7. SCORING

7.1. The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Rule A2 applies.

7.2. If sufficient entries are received classes may be split

8. RADIO COMMUNICATION

8.1. VHF Channel 71 will be used for communication, as well as for notification of a race being cancelled due to severe weather conditions.

8.2. Any yacht that retires from a race shall contact the committee boat on channel 71.

9. PROTESTS

9.1. Yachts protesting must follow Part 5, Section A of RRS, except there shall be no charge for filing protest.

9.2. A boat wishing to protest must file their protest with the RACE COMMITTEE within two (2) hours of the last boat to finish.

9.3. Protest shall be written on USSA forms (see pages 119 – 122 of the RRS).

9.4. The RRS 720 rule is modified, so that only a 360 turn is acceptable to exonerate oneself from a violation of the RRS part II rules.

10. STARTING SEQUENCE

10.1. Yachts will start in the following sequence:

Time	Event
0955	Postponement: 1 sound Signal Answering Pennant raised
1000	JAM Start (all boats): Red Shape
1010	Postponement: 1 sound Signal Answering Pennant raised
1015	Spinnaker Start (all boats): Green Shape

Afterglow **TBD**