



**Portage Yacht Club, Pinckney, MI**  
**2023 Gold and Silver Series**  
 May – September 2023  
**Notice of Race**



**1. RULES**

- 1.1. Portage Yacht Club (PYC) invites participation in each of two, season long club series regattas. The “Gold Series” is held on the weekends. The “Silver Series” is held on Thursday nights). Each of the club series regattas is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (the “Rules”).
- 1.2. Racing rule 41 is changed to allow additional outside assistance. Racing rule 61.1(a)(2) will be changed to “if the hull length of the protesting boat is less than 17 feet, she need not display a red flag.” The Sailing Instructions may change other rules.

**2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 2.1. Registration is open to all boats owned or chartered for an entire series. Each skipper must be a member of US Sailing and PYC. Class membership is strongly encouraged. **Fees for PYC race registration and race series as well as PYC (if boat not kept on PYC premises), US Sailing, and class membership requirements are all waived for the first year for skippers that are new to the program.**
- 2.2. A minimum of three boats of a kind registered to race by the first race, or a minimum of three boats of a kind registered to race at the conclusion of the previous season shall be scored as a fleet. All boats not qualifying for fleet status shall compete against each other on a boat-to-boat basis and scored in the "Open" fleet.
- 2.3. Eligible boats may be scored by sending the attached form (also available at <http://ms-pyc.com/race-registration/>) and required fee to Portage Yacht Club. **Non-Registrants are invited to follow the Rules and join in the racing.**

**3. FEES**

The required fees are a Basic Registration Fee of \$330 per household plus senior or junior fees for each series as shown on the entry form attached. After April 25, entries will be accepted for renewing entrants who pay a late renewal fee of \$20. All registrants will be scored DNC for races conducted before the required fees are paid.

**4. SCHEDULE**

- 4.1. The schedule is shown in Appendix 1.

4.2. Warning Signals:

Series	Warning Signal
Gold (Saturday)	1200
Gold (Sundays)	1300
Silver	1830

- 4.3. On each Gold Series race date, three races are scheduled. Each of these races will be scored separately. Races will be run back-to-back.
- 4.4. If all Gold Series races scheduled for a given Saturday are abandoned, they will be re-sailed on the following Saturday, except as noted in Appendix I. If all Gold Series races scheduled for a given Sunday are abandoned, they will be re-sailed on the following Sunday. In the event of a re-sail, the race management team originally assigned will be responsible for the re-sailed races.
- 4.5. For the Silver Series, the Principal Race Officer shall attempt to run back-to-back races. A boat’s score for that evening will be the ranking of that boat’s average score for all races of the evening.

**5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Sailing Instructions will be emailed to all registrants before the first race of the season.

**6. VENUE AND COURSES**

The races will be sailed on Portage Lake near Pinckney, Michigan using windward-leeward and triangular courses and drop marks.

**7. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate entirely at their own risk. See Race Rule 4 Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the races.

**8. FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, please contact Portage Yacht Club, 8930 Dexter-Pinckney Road, Pinckney, MI 48169-2154 (734) 426-4155 or [sail@chartermi.net](mailto:sail@chartermi.net).

# Appendix 1

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun			
24	25	26	27	28	29	30-Apr			
<b>1-May</b>	2	3	4	5	6	7	<b>MAY</b>		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14		5/14 Mothers Day	
15	16	17	RM Training 18	19	20	21		Red Series: May 20, Jun 10, and Jun 24.	
22	23	24		26	MU for 20-May 27	28		Laser Invitational Thursdays May 25-Jun 29	
29	30	31-May	1-Jun	2	3	4	<b>JUNE</b>		
5	6	7	Laser Invitational 5/25-6/29	8	9	10		5/29 Memorial Day 6/3-4 Bayview OD	
12	13	14		16	MU for 10-Jun 17	18		6/10-11 FS Districts?	
19	20	21		23	24	MU for 24-Jun 25		6/18 Father's Day	
26	27	28		29	30	<b>1-Jul</b>	<b>JULY</b>		
3	4	5		6	7	8		Sat 7/1 Fireworks	
10	11	12		13	14	15		FS NAC June 2-8, Lake Norman NC	
17	18	19		21	22	23		White Series: Jul 15, Jul 29, & Aug 12	
24	25	26		27	28	29	30	ISCA Nats Jul 29-Aug 1, Traverse City, MI	
<b>31-Jul</b>	<b>1-Aug</b>	2		3	4	5	MU for 29-Jul 5		
7	8	9		10	11	12	13	<b>AUGUST</b>	
14	15	16		17	18	19	20		8/19 IL Regatta
21	22	23		24	25	26	27		Blue Series: Aug 26, Sep 3, & Sep 16.
28	29	30		31	<b>1-Sep</b>	2	3		9/3-4 CC 2 Races each
CC & MU for 26-Aug 4	5	6		7	8	9	10	<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	
11	12	13		14	15	16	17		9/9 FS Regatta
18	19	20		21	22	23	24		9/23 No Sweat Regatta
25	26	27		28	29	30-Sep	<b>1-Oct</b>		
<b>Silver Series Races</b>			<b>Multiple Race Nights</b>			Thu: 1830 Warning Signal for all dates			
<b>Gold Series Races</b>			Saturday: <b>1200</b> 1st race Warning Signal; Subsequent races back-to-back. Sunday: <b>1300</b> 1st Warning Signal; Subsequent races back-to-back. 9/4 races concurrent with Commodores Cup Races.						
<b>Invitational Regattas</b>			See those Notice of Race for time of Warning Signal.						
<b>Fun Races</b>			Non-fleet racing events with their own notices, prizes, etc.						

1. Thur schedules have multiple races each evening with scores to be averaged for each night's results.
2. Gold Series races are also multiple short races on each of nine race days as shown, including Sun 4-Sep, but with no racing on the weekend of 4-Jul.
3. Sunday 11-Jun: Two-boat races over a short slalom course, upwind and downwind.
4. Saturday 8 Jul: Fun Race activities!
5. Sunday 6-Aug: Pursuit races where slower boats start first, fastest ones start last, and the first boat to the finish wins.