

**LITTLE TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB
BAY HARBOR YACHT CLUB
BAY CUP 2011 REGATTA
SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 2011
LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY, MICHIGAN**

Organizing Authority: U S Sailing

Host Organization: Little Traverse Yacht Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Each yacht owner or skipper is responsible for the safety of his yacht, crew and guests, and by participating in this event, warrants and represents for the benefit of his crew, guests, club, participants and spectators of the event that his yacht is seaworthy, is equipped and outfitted in accordance with the Notice of Race and that his crew is experienced and in good physical condition to safely and properly participate in the event in all weather conditions.

Each yacht owner or skipper has the sole responsibility to decide whether to start or to continue in the event. Each yacht owner is solely responsible for the conduct of his yacht's crew, before, during and after the event, afloat and ashore. Conduct deemed unbecoming to a yachtsman or gentleman may result in the yacht being disqualified.

2. **Rules:** The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, 2009-2012, the prescriptions of US Sailing, and the "Notice of Race."
3. **Entries:** Eligible yachts may be entered by satisfying the entry requirements as defined in the "Notice of Race." This is a challenge regatta between and among eligible yachts from Little Traverse Yacht Club and Bay Harbor Yacht Club.
4. **Notice to Competitors:** Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located inside of the Little Traverse Yacht Club and the Bay Harbor Yacht Club.
5. **Changes In The Sailing Instructions:** Any changes in the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board before 0900 on the day of the race.
6. **Schedule of Race:** The regatta has scheduled one race on Saturday, August 27. The schedule is as follows:

Saturday, August 27	1100 hours	Skippers' meeting (conference call)
	1255 hours	Warning signal for Division I
	1300 hours	Warning signal for Division II

The Skippers' meeting will be conducted as a conference phone call with details to follow by e-mail to each registrant.

7. **Racing Area:** The racing area will be on Little Traverse Bay of Lake Michigan between Harbor Springs and Bay Harbor.
8. **Divisions, Classes and Courses:** Division I is for yachts that use spinnakers. Division II is for yachts with main and jib only. The course will be set and posted by the Race Committee using Little Traverse Yacht Club race buoys.

9. **Time Limits:** If no competing yacht reaches the first windward buoy by one hour after the start, the race will be cancelled.
10. **Retirement:** A yacht that retires from a race is asked to notify a Race Committee boat before leaving the race area. Channel 73 will be monitored.
11. **Protests:** Protests, on US Sailing forms, must be filed with the Race Committee within ninety minutes of the protesting yachts' finish time. Protests will be heard promptly after filing if possible.
12. **Scoring:** The low-point scoring system, Appendix A of the racing rules, will be used. The top three finish positions for yachts representing each yacht club will be added to determine the winning club.
13. **Prizes and Awards Ceremony:** The fleet will be divided into two divisions. First, second, and third in each division will receive flags. Individual awards will be presented and the Bay Cup will be presented to the winning yacht club.