

# Maui Boat & Yacht Club

## 2010 Offshore Sailing Instructions

1. **Rules:** The races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (2009-2012); the prescriptions of US Sailing; the prescriptions of HYRA; (except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions); and by these Sailing Instructions. The coastal races are classified as category 4 under ORC special regulations. The races that cross open channels are classified as category 3 under ORC special regulations. **VHF radios are required equipment aboard all boats.**

**1.1 All boats racing in an offshore event shall comply with US Sailing Recommendations for Offshore Sailing, including ORC Special Regulations & US Sailing Offshore Multihull regulations, as amended by HYRA, for the category of race designated in the Sailing Instructions.**

2. **Entries:** Races are open to either monohull or multihull yachts. Yachts may be entered by registering with the Race Committee at the Skippers Meetings. PHRF ratings will be assigned by the Race Committee using the US Sailing PHRF handicaps as calculated by the MB&YC Handicap Committee. Multihulls shall provide ratings through their multihull fleet committee.
3. **Changes in Sailing Instructions:** Any change in sailing instructions will be distributed at the skippers meeting on race days.
4. **Notices to Competitors:** Notices to competitors will be distributed at the skippers meeting on race day.
5. **2005 MBYC Schedule of Offshore Races:**

Location	Date	Time of Start
Honolua Bay	April 3, 2010	09:30
Around Lanai	May 1, 2010	09:30
Around Lanai	July 31, 2010	09:30

6. **The Courses:** The courses will be as shown on the course diagrams.
7. **Marks:** Marks (if any) will be orange inflatable tetrahedron or orange balls (dragon eggs), or in the case of the Kahului Race, the navigation buoy outside the entrance to Kahului Harbor.
8. **Start:** All races will start in the vicinity of Kekaa Point ("Black Rock"). Start will proceed as follows: With all boats sailing to windward on the same tack; there will be 3 horn blasts to warn followed shortly by one blast to signify one minute to start; one additional blast will signal the start.
9. **Timing:** All boats shall mark & note their start & finish times according to GPS time. These times will be used by the club to calculate elapsed time and corrected time results.
10. **Change of Course after the Start:** None
11. **Shorten Course:** None
12. **Finish:** See race instructions & course diagrams.
13. **Time Limit:** The time limit for Offshore Races shall be 8 hours.

14. **Protest:** Rule 61.3 shall be modified to read that the time limit for a protest by a boat shall be within one hour of the last yacht's finish Of the last race of the day and shall be delivered in writing to the Race Committee. Protest forms are available from the Race committee.

The Protest Committee will meet as soon as it is reasonably possible to do so.

15. **Penalties:** The 720 penalty, rule 44.2 shall apply.

16. **Scoring:** The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A2 of the Racing Rules, with HYRA modifications, will apply.

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	1 point
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	2 points
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	3 points

- 16.1 All races will count toward season's points and awards. There will be one throw-out for every four races sailed. Ties will be scored in accordance with appendix A8.

- 16.2 Handicaps shall be in accordance with US Sailing PHRF as modified by the MBYC Handicap Committee. Multihulls will be handicapped by their fleet committee.

17. **Withdrawing:** A yacht leaving the race course shall notify the Race Committee by hail, VHF radio channel 71, cell phone, or by telephone message to Cosco Carlbom at 280-2667, and **by VHF radio (channel 71) to at least one other vessel participating in the race. Contact with another vessel to notify withdrawal from the race must be verified.** Any yacht failing to do so may be subject to protest and exclusion from any further MB & YC events in 2010.

18. **Liability:** Competitors and crews shall enter at their own risk. Neither Maui Boat & Yacht Club, its officers, board members, nor any of the organizing bodies, committees or individuals appointed to or volunteering for this race committee accepts any liability for damage, (material or personal) suffered during the race or at any other time. It shall be the sole responsibility of each competitor whether or not to start or continue to race.

19. **Prizes:** Prizes for season's point's winners will be awarded at the MBYC Annual Meeting.