

27 DEC 79

MEMO TO: PHRF OF LAKE ONTARIO DELIGATES

FROM: FRED HUBBLE, PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: FIRST REVISION OF PROPOSED PHRF-LO BY LAWS


ENCLOSED IS THE FIRST REVISION OF THE PROPOSED PHRF-LO BY LAWS. I HAVE EXTENSIVELY REWRITTEN AND EXPANDED THE ORIGINAL SUBMISSION PRESENTED AT THE DECEMBER 1 ORGANIZATION MEETING, USING THE PHRF-NW BY LAWS AS A MODEL. THESE ARE ENCLOSED FOR REFERENCE. THE INTENT OF OUR ORIGINAL HAS BEEN PRESERVED, AND THE CHANGES PROPOSED AT THE DEC 1 MEETING HAVE BEEN INCLUDED.

MOST OF THE "RULES AND REGULATIONS" CAN AND WILL BE COVERED IN THE HANDICAPPERS MANUAL. THOSE THAT OBVIOUSLY FELL OUTSIDE THIS REGIME WERE INCLUDED IN THE BY LAWS.

I HAVE SCHEDULED A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DELIGATES ON JANUARY 26, 1980 FROM 9:00AM TO 1:00PM IN THE TROPHY ROOM AT THE ROCHESTER YACHT CLUB TO REVIEW AND, HOPEFULLY, FINALIZE MOST OF THESE BY LAWS PRIOR TO OUR COMBINED HANDICAPPERS AND DELIGATES MEETING IN MARCH.

TO THAT END, PLEASE REVIEW THE ENCLOSURES, AND HAVE YOUR COMMENTS, CRITISISMS, AND SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT READY PRIOR TO THE 26TH. ALSO I WOULD APPRECIATE ANY FEEDBACK BEFORE THE MEETING, ESPECIALLY IF BUSINESS OR OTHER COMMITMENTS MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU TO ATTEND.

I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ON THE 26TH.



C. PHRF-LO HANDICAPPERS

PHRF OF LAKE ONTARIO  
BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I - NAME

- 1.1 THE NAME OF THIS ORGANIZATION SHALL BE THE PERFORMANCE HANDICAP RACING FLEET OF LAKE ONTARIO.

ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVE

- 2.1 IT SHALL BE THE PRIME OBJECTIVE OF THIS ORGANIZATION TO PROMOTE HANDICAP RACING OF YACHTS IN LAKE ONTARIO.
- 2.2 IT SHALL ALSO BE THE OBJECTIVE OF THIS ORGANIZATION TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN EQUITABLE SYSTEMS OF RATINGS OR HANDICAPS FOR YACHTS OWNED OR CHARTERED BY ITS MEMBERS. SUCH SYSTEMS SHALL BE BASED PRIMARILY ON THE SPEED POTENTIAL OR PERFORMANCE RECORD OF THE YACHTS RACING.
- 2.3 IT SHALL ALSO BE AN OBJECTIVE OF THIS ORGANIZATION TO ASSIST YACHT CLUBS AND OTHER RACE SPONSORS IN THE APPLICATION OF ITS RATING AND HANDICAPPING SYSTEMS AND TO FURNISH INFORMATION CONCERNING THE SYSTEMS AND THEIR APPLICATION TO INTERESTED YACHTING ORGANIZATIONS.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 MEMBERSHIP IS OPEN TO ANY OWNER OR CHARTERER OF A QUALIFYING YACHT BASED OR SAILED ON LAKE ONTARIO, AND SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO PERSONS BELONGING ONLY TO YACHT CLUBS.
- 3.2 CLUB MEMBERSHIP SHALL BE CONFERRED ON ALL YACHT CLUBS, SAILING ASSOCIATIONS, AND FLEETS RACING UNDER PHRF-LO. ANNUAL DUES FOR CLUB MEMBERSHIP SHALL BE \$50.00 PAYABLE FEBRUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR.
- 3.3 INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP SHALL BE CONFERRED UPON INDIVIDUALS NOT BELONGING TO AN ESTABLISHED YACHTING ORGANIZATION. INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP SHALL BE \$10.00 PER YACHT PAYABLE FEBRUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR.

ARTICLE IV - DIRECTORS & HANDICAPPERS

- 4.1 THE MANAGEMENT OF THIS ORGANIZATION IS VESTED IN A BOARD OF DIRECTORS WHO SHALL DECIDE ALL MATTERS OF POLICY AND WHO SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR APPOINTING OFFICERS TO CARRY OUT THAT POLICY.
- 4.2 THERE SHALL BE A HANDICAPPERS COUNCIL WHICH WILL INCLUDE A CHIEF HANDICAPPER ELECTED BY THE COMBINED VOTE OF THE HANDICAPPERS COUNCIL AND THE BOARD OF DELIGATES. THE HANDICAPPERS COUNCIL SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ORGANIZING AND ADMINISTERING THE SYSTEM OF HANDICAPS. IT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY THESE BY-LAWS AND FULLY RESPONSIVE TO POLICIES ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THE CHIEF HANDICAPPER WILL ACT AS CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL. HE WILL CALL AND CONDUCT MEETINGS OF THE HANDICAPPERS, AND WILL RENDER A FINAL AND BINDING DECISION ON QUESTION PROPERLY BEFORE THE COUNCIL IF NOT RESOLVED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OR GENERAL AGREEMENT. HANDICAPPERS MAY BE DISCHARGED AT ANY TIME BY THE PRESIDENT OR BY THEIR HOST CLUB OR ASSOCIATION.

- 4.3 YACHT CLUBS, SAILING ASSOCIATIONS, OR FLEETS WHOSE OWNERS OR CHARTERERS ARE MEMBERS OF PHRF-LO SHALL BE ENTITLED TO APPOINT ONE DELEGATE TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, AND ONE LOCAL HANDICAPPER TO BE A MEMBER OF THE HANDICAPPERS COUNCIL.
- 4.4 INDIVIDUALS NOT ASSOCIATED WITH A YACHTING ORGANIZATION RACING UNDER PHRF-LO WILL BE REPRESENTED BY DIRECTORS AND HANDICAPPERS ALREADY SERVING WHO ARE LOCATED IN THEIR AREA. THESE ADDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS WILL BE MADE BY THE CHIEF HANDICAPPER.
- 4.5 EACH DIRECTOR AND EACH HANDICAPPER SHALL HAVE ONE VOTE.
- 4.6 THE SECRETARY WILL FURNISH THE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND HANDICAPPERS WITH A CURRENT LIST OF DIRECTORS AND HANDICAPPERS AT THE ANNUAL MEETING.
- 4.7 THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL REQUIRE THAT EVERY BOAT RACING IN PHRF-LO BE REPRESENTED BY A DIRECTOR AND HANDICAPPER.
- 4.8 DIRECTORS AND HANDICAPPERS SHALL SERVE UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND CONFIRMED BY THE PRESIDENT.
- 4.9 SHOULD ANY YACHT CLUB, SAILING ORGANIZATION OR FLEET QUALIFIED TO APPOINT A DIRECTOR OR HANDICAPPER FAIL TO DO SO, THE PRESIDENT SHALL APPOINT A DIRECTOR OR HANDICAPPER TO REPRESENT THEM.

#### ARTICLE V - OFFICERS

- 5.1 THE OFFICERS SHALL CONSIST OF A PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, AND TREASURER. THEY SHALL BE ELECTED ANNUALLY BY A VOTE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THE PRESIDENT WILL ACT AS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD. IN ADDITION TO THE DUTIES NORMALLY ASSOCIATED WITH THESE OFFICES, THE OFFICERS WILL CARRY OUT SUCH OTHER DUTIES AS PRESCRIBED BY THESE BY-LAWS AND BY THE DIRECTORS.
- 5.2 THE ABOVE OFFICERS WILL BE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRIOR TO THEIR ELECTION.
- 5.3 THE CHIEF HANDICAPPER IS ALSO AN OFFICER OF THIS ORGANIZATION.

#### ARTICLE VI - MEETINGS

- 6.1 AN ANNUAL MEETING SHALL BE HELD THE FIRST SATURDAY IN DECEMBER AT SUCH PLACE AS IS DESIGNATED BY THE PRESIDENT, AND WILL CONSIST OF AN ANNUAL DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS MEETING AND AN ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HANDICAPPERS COUNCIL.
- 6.2 THE SECRETARY SHALL PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL MEETING AT LEAST 30 DAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.
- 6.3 A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MAY BE HELD AT ANY TIME UPON 14 DAYS NOTICE BY THE PRESIDENT. IN LIEU OF A SPECIAL MEETING, THE OFFICERS MAY CONDUCT A MAIL VOTE OF THE DIRECTORS ON POLICY MATTERS OR AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS, PROVIDED THE SPECIFIC ITEMS TO BE VOTED ON ARE MAILED TO THE DIRECTORS MORE THAN 30 DAYS PRIOR TO THE BALLOT RETURN DATE.
- 6.4 A QUORUM AT ANY DIRECTORS OR HANDICAPPERS MEETING SHALL REQUIRE THAT A SIMPLE MAJORITY BE PRESENT.

- 6.5 HANDICAPPERS COUNCIL MEETINGS WILL BE SCHEDULED AS REQUIRED BY THE CHIEF HANDICAPPER.
- 6.6 A MEETING OF THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MAY BE CALLED BY A SIMPLE MAJORITY VOTE OF THE DIRECTORS AND HELD AT SUCH A TIME AND PLACE AS DIRECTED BY THE PRESIDENT.
- 6.7 THE SECRETARY SHALL SEND EACH MEMBER A NOTICE OF A GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AT LEAST 14 DAYS BEFORE SUCH A MEETING.
- 6.8 AT THE ANNUAL DIRECTORS MEETING, THE PRESIDENT SHALL RENDER A REPORT AND INTRODUCE ANY NEW DIRECTORS. HE SHALL PRESIDE OVER THE MEETING OF THE BOARD WHICH WILL CONDUCT SUCH BUSINESS AS MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE IT. THE SECRETARY SHALL PRESENT THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING. THE TREASURER WILL RENDER A REPORT COVERING THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE PREVIOUS YEAR, AND THE BALANCE ON HAND. HE WILL ALSO PRESENT AN ESTIMATE OF THE FUTURE YEARS INCOME AND EXPENDITURES. THE CHIEF HANDICAPPER SHALL RENDER A REPORT OF THE HANDICAPPERS COUNCIL, WHICH SHALL INCLUDE PROPOSALS OR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN THE HANDICAPPING SYSTEM.
- 6.9 AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE REGULAR BUSINESS OF THE ANNUAL DIRECTORS MEETING, THE BOARD SHALL ELECT THE OFFICERS FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

#### ARTICLE VII - COMMITTEES

- 7.1 THERE SHALL BE SUCH COMMITTEES AS REQUIRED BY THE PRESIDENT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, AND THE CHIEF HANDICAPPER.

#### ARTICLE VIII - HANDICAPS

- 8.1 THE SECRETARY SHALL PUBLISH ROSTERS THRICE A YEAR ON OR ABOUT MAY FIRST, JULY FIRST, AND NOVEMBER FIRST. ROSTERS WILL BE ISSUED TO THE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND HANDICAPPERS. IT IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE LOCAL HANDICAPPER TO POST OR OTHERWISE DISSEMINATE THE ROSTER TO HIS LOCAL FLEET.
- 8.2 RATINGS LISTED IN THE ROSTER SHALL BE BASED ON THE EXPECTED AVERAGE BOAT SPEED POTENTIAL OF YACHTS SAILING ON LAKE ONTARIO BETWEEN THE MONTHS OF MAY TO OCTOBER INCLUSIVE. THESE SPEED POTENTIALS SHALL REPRESENT BOATS WHICH ARE EXPERTLY SAILED AND WELL EQUIPPED. DETAILS OF SPEED POTENTIAL PROCEDURES AND ADJUSTMENTS TO RATINGS TO ACCOUNT FOR DEVIATIONS FROM A STANDARD YACHT WILL BE DEVELOPED BY THE HANDICAPPERS COUNCIL AND WILL BE APPROVED BY THE COMBINED VOTE OF THE HANDICAPPERS COUNCIL PLUS THE BOARD OF DELEGATES. SUCH PROCEDURES WILL COMPRISE A HANDICAPPERS MANUAL AND WILL BE PUBLISHED BY THE SECRETARY UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE CHIEF HANDICAPPER.
- 8.3 SUPPLEMENTS TO THE ROSTER WILL BE PUBLISHED ON OR ABOUT JUNE FIRST, AUGUST FIRST, AND SEPTEMBER FIRST BY THE SECRETARY UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE CHIEF HANDICAPPER. SUPPLEMENTS WILL BE ISSUED TO OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND HANDICAPPERS. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE LOCAL HANDICAPPER TO POST OR OTHERWISE DISSEMINATE THE SUPPLIMENTS TO HIS LOCAL FLEET.
- 8.4 THIS ORGANIZATION WILL NOT SUPPORT NOR RECOGNIZE THE USE OF PERFORMANCE HANDICAPS, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "GOLF HANDICAPS".

- 8.5 EACH YACHT SHALL BE RATED OR HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALLY WHETHER A MEMBER OF A ONE DESIGN CLASS OR NOT. YACHTS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH CLASS RULES WHILE RACING UNDER PHRF, BUT ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH USYRU OR LYRA RULE AS APPLICABLE AND THE RACE INSTRUCTIONS OF THE HOST CLUB OR ASSOCIATION.
- 8.6 THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WITH ADVICE FROM THE HANDICAPPERS COUNCIL SHALL PROVIDE CRITERIA FOR THE ELIGIBILITY OF YACHTS FOR RATINGS OR HANDICAPS. SUCH CRITERIA SHALL INCLUDE BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO THE REQUIREMENT THAT YACHTS BE SINGLE HULLED AND SELF RIGHTING AND MAY INCLUDE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS ON SIZE AND ABILITY. CENTERBOARD BOATS AS FOLLOWS;
- A. BOATS WITH UNWEIGHTED CENTERBOARD AND NO OTHER SELF RIGHTING BALLAST ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A PHRF-LO RATING. THESE YACHTS ARE KNOWN AS A TRUE CENTERBOARDER.
  - B. BOATS WITH UNWEIGHTED CENTERBOARD, COMBINED WITH PERMANENT BALLAST WHICH IS 100% SUFFICIENT FOR SELF RIGHTING ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A PHRF-LO RATING. THE CENTERBOARD MAY BE RAISED OR LOWERED AT ANY TIME WHILE RACING. TYPICAL DESIGNS OF THIS GENDRE ARE KNOWN AS KEEL CENTERBOARD YACHTS.
  - C. BOATS WITH COMBINATION OF WEIGHTED CENTERBOARD AND OTHER BALLAST IN A KEEL OR BILGE, ALL OF WHICH ARE NECESSARY FOR SELF RIGHTING, ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A PHRF-LO RATING. THE CENTERBOARD MUST BE KEPT LOCKED DOWN AT ALL TIMES WHEN RACING.
  - D. BOATS WITH WEIGHTED CENTERBOARD WHICH IS 100% SUFFICIENT FOR SELF RIGHTING AND NO OTHER BALLAST ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A PHRF-LO RATING. THE WEIGHTED KEEL MUST BE KEPT LOCKED DOWN AT ALL TIMES WHEN RACING.
  - E. BOATS UNDER 18 FEET OVERALL LENGTH SHALL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR A PHRF-LO RATING.
- 8.7 ANY MEMBER MAY PROTEST HIS OWN OR ANOTHER YACHT'S RATING. SUCH PROTESTS MAY BE MADE FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:
- A. DISCREPANCY FROM NATIONAL PHRF RATINGS AS DEFINED BY USPHRF.
  - B. DISCREPANCY FROM THE CURRENT RATING CODE.
  - C. PERCEIVED ERROR IN ASSIGNED SPEED POTENTIAL.
- 8.8 THE COUNCIL OF HANDICAPPERS SHALL RESOLVE GRIEVANCES OF MEMBERS REGARDING THE HANDICAP OF THEIR OWN OR ANY OTHER YACHT. THE LOCAL HANDICAPPER WITH THE AID OF HIS PHRF COMMITTEE WILL FIRST HEAR THE GRIEVANCE AND TRY TO RESOLVE IT. IF THE GRIEVANCE IS NOT RESOLVED AT THIS LEVEL, THE MEMBER MAY APPEAL TO THE COUNCIL OF HANDICAPPERS THROUGH THE CHIEF HANDICAPPER. THREE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL WILL HEAR THE PROTEST AND THEIR DECISION WILL BE BINDING. THE CHIEF HANDICAPPER SHALL BE EMPOWERED TO TAKE BINDING TEMPORARY ACTION, PENDING A REVIEW BY COUNCIL MEMBERS. THE HANDICAPPERS COUNCIL WILL PUBLISH A PROCEDURE FOR PROTESTING RATINGS AND DISTRIBUTE SUCH TO THE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND HANDICAPPERS.
- 8.9 A MEMBER MAY OBTAIN A RATING OR HANDICAP FOR MORE THAN ONE YACHT DURING THE SAILING SEASON, BUT SUCH HANDICAP SHALL BE VALID ONLY WHILE THE BOAT IS UNDER HIS OWNERSHIP OR MANAGEMENT IF CHARTERED.
- 8.10 MODIFICATIONS OF THE RATINGS TO SCORE RACES SAILED OUTSIDE LIMITS OF 4 - 20 KNOTS TRUE, OR COURSES FAVORING ONE POINT OF SAIL MAY BE REVIEWED BY THE BOARD OF HANDICAPPERS.
- 8.11 RECOGNIZING THE ERROR INHERENT IN ASSIGNING SPEED POTENTIALS, NO RATING IS EVER CONSIDERED FIXED.

ARTICLE IX - RULES

- 9.1 ANY QUESTION NOT COVERED BY THESE BY-LAWS, THE HANDICAPPERS MANUAL, THE PROTEST PROCEDURE, OR ANY OTHER RULES ADOPTED BY THE BOARD AND COUNCIL SHALL BE RESOLVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER, REVISED.

ARTICLE X - PROGRAMS

- 10.1 THE OFFICERS SHALL ENDEAVOR TO PROMOTE PHRF RACING OVER BOTH CLOSED AND DISTANCE COURSES THROUGHOUT LAKE ONTARIO AND ARE AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE AND INFORMATION TO YACHT CLUBS AND THEIR RACE COMMITTEES FOR THIS PURPOSE.
- 10.2 IN FURTHERANCE OF THIS OBJECTIVE, THE OFFICERS MAY PROVIDE FOR RESEARCH ON THE PERFORMANCE OF CRUISING YACHTS, THE EVALUATION OF THEIR PERFORMANCE, THE MANAGEMENT OF HANDICAP RACING, AND SHALL DEVELOP AND ENCOURAGE THE USE OF UNIFORM METHODS OF COMPUTING AND REPORTING RACE RESULTS.
- 10.3 THE OFFICERS MAY PROVIDE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF INTER CLUB RACING BY ENCOURAGING COMPETITION BETWEEN MEMBERS FOR TROPHIES IN SUCH EVENTS, AND MAY ACT AS THE GOVERNING BODY IN ESTABLISHING THE CONDITIONS FOR SUCH EVENTS.
- 10.4 THE OFFICERS SHALL STIMULATE THE IMPROVEMENT OF METHODS OF NOTIFYING MEMBERS OF PHRF RACING EVENTS, AND MAY SUPPLY NAMES AND ADDRESSES TO MEMBERS OF RACE COMMITTEES OF YACHT CLUBS.
- 10.5 QUESTIONS REFERRED TO THIS ORGANIZATION UNDER PART VI, 4, (A) OF THE USYRU RULES SHALL BE RESOLVED BY THE HANDICAPPERS COUNCIL.

ARTICLE XI - AMENDMENTS

- 11.1 THESE BY-LAWS MAY BE AMENDED AT ANY TIME BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE COMBINED BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE COUNCIL OF HANDICAPPERS.

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# P.H.R.F. — NORTHWEST BY-LAWS

## ARTICLE I — NAME

- 1.1 The name of this organization shall be the Pacific Handicap Racing Fleet of the Northwest.

## ARTICLE II — OBJECTIVE

- 2.1 It shall be the prime objective of this organization to promote handicap racing of yachts in the Pacific Northwest.

- 2.2 It shall also be the objective of this organization to establish and maintain equitable systems of ratings of handicaps for yachts owned or chartered by members. Such systems shall be based primarily on the speed potential or performance record of yachts racing.

- 2.3 It shall be an objective of this organization to assist yacht clubs and other race sponsors in the application of its rating and handicapping systems, and to furnish information concerning the systems and their application to interested yachting organizations.

## ARTICLE III — MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 Membership is open to any owner or charterer of a qualifying yacht based or sailed in the Pacific Northwest, and shall not be limited to persons belonging only to yacht clubs, sailing associations or fleets affiliated with Pacific International Yachting Association.

## ARTICLE IV — DIRECTORS

- 4.1 The management of this organization is vested in a Board of Directors who shall decide all matters of policy and who shall be responsible for appointing the officers to carry out that policy.
- 4.2 Yacht clubs, sailing associations or fleets having a minimum of ten boats whose owners or charterers are members of PHRF shall be entitled to appoint one Director.

## ARTICLE VII — COMMITTEES

7.1 There shall be such committees as are required by the President.

## ARTICLE VIII — HANDICAPS

- 8.1 The Secretary shall publish Rosters not less than twice a year at such times as may be set by the Board of Directors. Rosters will be issued to Officers, Directors, Handicappers, yacht clubs, fleets and sailing associations, and all member yacht owners.
- 8.2 Ratings listed in the Roster shall be based on boat speed potential, determined from the demonstrated speed of "standard" boats which are expertly sailed and well equipped and conditioned. Details of speed potential procedures will be developed by the Handicappers Council and approved by the Board of Directors. Such procedures will be published by the Secretary under the direction of the Chief Handicapper.
- 8.3 Supplements to the Rosters, providing boat rating, ownership, affiliation and other pertinent changes or additions will be published by the Secretary under the direction of the Chief Handicapper. Supplements will be issued to Officers, Directors, Handicappers, yacht clubs, fleets and sailing associations, and to affected yacht owners.
- 8.4 When yacht clubs, sailing associations or fleets request the use of "performance handicaps" for all or part of their fleets, the Handicapper will maintain a local record of each boat's performance, and assign handicaps on the basis of speed potential modified by a handicap allowance. Details of performance handicapping procedures will be developed by the Handicappers Council and approved by the Board of Directors.
- 8.5 Where performance handicaps are used, the Handicapper shall keep a record of the performance of yachts raced by members of the yacht clubs assigned to him. He shall review the performance of each yacht in the races for which he receives results, and shall supplement this with data obtained from the Race Committee or other sources. Changes in handicap shall be made whenever the results or other data indicate an adjustment in order to provide equitable handicap racing. The Handicapper shall notify the member of any change in the rating of his yacht. Members' yachts shall use the rating in effect on the day of the race when racing under PHRF ratings.
- 8.6 Each yacht shall be rated or handicapped individually whether a member of a one-design class or not. Yachts are not required to comply with class rules while racing under PHRF ratings, but are required to comply with USYRU or CYA rules, as applicable, and the race instructions.
- 8.7 The Officers, subject to instructions received from the Directors, shall provide criteria for the eligibility of yachts for ratings or handicaps. Such criteria shall include the requirement that the boats be single-hulled and self-righting and may include minimum requirements on size and ability. Centerboard boats as follows:  
a. Boats with unweighted centerboard, and no other self-righting ballast, boat is not eligible for PHRF. Typical design is known as a true centerboard.  
b. Boats with unweighted centerboard, combined with permanent ballast 100% sufficient for self-righting, boat is eligible for PHRF. Centerboard may be raised or lowered at any time; typical design is known as a keel centerboard yacht.  
c. Boats with combination of weighted centerboard and other ballast in keel or bilge all necessary for 100% self-righting, boat is eligible for PHRF. Centerboard must be kept locked down at all times when racing.  
d. Boats with weighted centerboard 100% sufficient for self-righting, and no other ballast, boat is eligible for PHRF. Weighted keel must be kept locked down at all times when racing. In applying such criteria a Handicapper may reject any yacht he considers not eligible, subject to an appeal to the Board of Handicappers.
- 8.8 Any member may protest another member's rating or handicap according to the following. Protests may be made by a member of PHRF against another member's rating or handicap. Such protests can be made for the following reasons, but are not limited to:  
a. Discrepancy from initial ratings as defined by Handicapper's notes of December, 1971.  
b. Discrepancy from current rating code.
- 8.9 The Board of Handicappers shall resolve grievances of members regarding the handicap of their own or any other yacht. If the grievance is not resolved initially by the Handicapper assigned, the member may appeal to the Board and the decision of the Board shall be final and binding. However, the Chief Handicapper shall be empowered to take binding temporary action, pending a review by the Board of Handicappers. A Handicapper shall not vote on an appeal taken from his rating of the yacht, but shall present available data and information to the Board while the appeal is being heard. A member shall have the right to present his appeal in writing and submit evidence regarding the performance of the yacht in competition.
- 8.10 A member may obtain a rating or handicap for more than one yacht during the year, but such handicap shall be valid only while the boat is under his ownership or while in his management if chartered.

- 4.3 Yacht clubs, sailing associations or fleets having less than ten boats in PHRF will be represented by Directors already serving, who are located in their area. These additional appointments will be made by the President.
- 4.4 Each Director shall have as many votes at a Directors' meeting as the number of boats he represents, as determined by the Secretary's records.
- 4.5 The Secretary will furnish the Directors and Officers with a current list of Directors at the annual Directors Meeting.
- 4.6 The Board of Directors shall require that each boat is represented by a Director.
- 4.7 Directors shall serve until a successor is appointed and confirmed by the President, or until the number of boats they represent falls below the required minimum of ten.
- 4.8 Should any yacht club, sailing association or fleet, qualified to appoint a Director, fail to do so, the President shall appoint a Director to represent them.

## ARTICLE V — OFFICERS

- 5.1 The Officers elected, appointed, relieved or replaced, shall consist of a President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The President shall act as a Chairman of the Board; if he is not already a Director, he shall have no vote unless the vote be otherwise deadlocked, in that event he shall cast one vote. In addition to the remaining duties normally associated with their offices, the Officers shall carry out such other duties as prescribed by these By-Laws and the Directors.
- 5.2 There shall be a Handicapper's Council which shall include a Chief Handicapper appointed by the President, with advice only from the Directors and other Officers. The Handicapper's Council shall be responsible for organizing and administering the system of Handicaps. It shall be governed by the By-Laws and fully responsive to policies established by the Board of Directors. Members of the Council shall be appointed by the Chief Handicapper and shall be assigned yacht clubs, sailing associations or fleets for which they will be primarily responsible. The Chief Handicapper, in addition, shall act as Chairman of the Council, shall call and conduct meetings of the Handicappers, and shall render a final and binding decision on questions properly before the Council if not resolved by a majority vote or general agreement. Handicappers are to have sole discretion in establishing handicaps and may give whatever judgment they wish to the opinions and information from the Officers, Directors and members. Handicappers may be discharged at any time by the President.

## ARTICLE VI — MEETINGS

- 6.1 An Annual Meeting shall be held in November at such time and place as is designated by the President, and will consist of an Annual Directors and Officers Meeting, and an Annual Meeting of the Handicappers Council.
- 6.2 The Secretary shall provide notice of the Annual Meeting at least 30 days prior to such meeting.
- 6.3 A Special Meeting of the Board of Directors may be held at any time upon seven days (7) notice by the President. In lieu of a Special Meeting, the Officers may conduct a mail vote of the Directors on policy matters or amendments to the By-Laws, provided the specific items to be voted on are mailed to the Directors not less than thirty (30) days prior to the ballot return due date. Article 4.4 applies.
- 6.4 A quorum at any Directors Meeting shall require that a simple majority of the current total Directors vote be represented.
- 6.5 Handicappers Council Meetings will be scheduled as required by the Chief Handicapper.
- 6.6 A meeting of the general membership may be called by simple majority vote of all Directors, and held at such time and place as is designated by the President.
- 6.7 The Secretary shall send each member a notice of a general membership meeting at least fourteen days (14) before such meeting.
- 6.8 At the Annual Directors Meeting, the President shall render a report and introduce the new Directors. He will preside over the meeting of the Board who shall conduct such business as may properly come before them. The Secretary shall present the minutes of the previous Board of Directors Meeting. The Treasurer shall render a report covering the income and expenditures for the previous year and the balance on hand. The Chief Handicapper shall render a report of the Handicappers Council, which shall include proposals or recommendations for improvements in the handicapping system.
- 6.9 At the conclusion of the regular business of the Annual Directors Meeting, the Board shall elect the Officers for the following year.
- 6.10 The outgoing President shall hold a meeting of incoming and outgoing Officers, not later than fourteen days (14) after each year end, to assist in an orderly transition of responsibilities.



## ARTICLE IX — RULES

9.1 Any question not covered by these By-Laws, or by rules adopted by the Directors, Officers, or by the Handicappers Council, shall be resolved in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order Revised.

## ARTICLE X — PROGRAMS

10.1 The Officers shall endeavor to promote the racing of handicap yachts over both closed and distance courses throughout the Pacific Northwest, and are authorized to provide assistance and information to yacht clubs and their race committees for this purpose.

10.2 In furtherance of this objective, the Officers may provide for research on the performance of cruising yachts, the evaluation of their performance, the management of handicap racing, and shall encourage the development and use of uniform methods of computing and reporting race results.

10.3 The Officers shall provide for the development of inter-area handicap racing by encouraging competition between members for trophies in such events, and may act as the governing body in establishing the conditions for such events.

10.4 The Officers shall stimulate the improvement of methods of notifying members of PHRF racing events, and may supply names and addresses to members of the race committees of yacht clubs.

10.5 Questions referred to the association under Part VI, 4, (a) of the USYRU and CYA Rules shall be resolved by the Handicappers Council.

## ARTICLE XI — AMENDMENTS

11.1 These By-Laws may be amended by the Board of Directors

PHRF OF LAKE ONTARIO  
HANDICAPPERS AND DIRECTORS  
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