

The requirements for a Cruising Certificate are following:

Appendix 1.

Basic Requirements:

- Base Handicap (BHCP) greater than 100
- Displacement / LWL >(greater than) or equal to 175.
- Sail area/displacement <(less than) or equal to 32.5 based on 50/50 w/l course.

****BHCP is derived from the original design as manufactured. If you do not have one, we will assign one based on known performance of your originally manufactured boat.**

****See application process description. We are trying to simplify this process for CRUISER.**

Dacron Main & Jib will get a +3 adjustment. Molded and laminated sails are allowed.

Diagrams and measuring instructions are posted on the MWPHRF Website.

1 Main

Jibs

2 Headsails attached to headstay if the LP of one is 110% of J or less. Only 1 headsail to be flown at a time except during sail changes. No jib may have an LP greater than 155% of J.

Spinnaker

Maximum of 2 allowed.

Symmetrical spinnakers must be tacked to a pole with length (SPL) no greater than J.

If converted to Asymmetrical, adjust +6. Maximum Prod length is 12" unless original equipment prod is another length. It does have to be on the original design as standard equipment.

Both types of spinnakers are allowed.

Sails larger than the maximum sizes allowed by standard MWPHRF base boat specifications are NOT allowed.

There will be NO adjustments for undersized sails.

No specialty sails are allowed. (i.e.: Staysails, Code Zero, any flying headsails, etc

Propeller

Normal propeller adjustments.

Keel

Normal Keel configuration is to be selected.

Bow Thrusters

Non retractable bow thrusters credit based on a case by case basis in the same manner as MWPHRF.

Roller Furler (Encouraged but not required).

Jib: If Roller Furler above deck, (+3 adjustment unless in BHCP).

Main: In-mast (+6 with Roach) (+12 no Roach.)

In-Boom (+3)

Sail Replacement

Only one replacement sail allowed per year, unless approved by Cruiser Handicapper. There are many reasons to replace sails. All should be reported to the Cruiser Handicapper.

Handicapping:

Cruising Handicapper Team will assign handicaps based on MWPHRF BHCP with CRUISER Adjustments. If a new BHCP is needed, it will go through the channels.

“Over-Performing” Cruiser boats MAY be subject to handicap adjustment after review with the boat certificate owner.

Appeal:

1. Talk to the Cruiser Handicapper and follow up with an email.
2. Apply for a MWPHRF certificate and compare. If the MWPHRF rating is more favorable (excluding undersized sail and other CRUISER only adjustments), it is agreed to substitute this Rating for a period of 2 years **ON THE CRUISER CERTIFICATE ONLY. MWPHRF CERTIFICATES ARE HANDLED BY MWPHRF AND SUBJECT TO MWPHRF RULES.**

(MWPHRF Handicaps stay with Regional Handicappers.)

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