



# Rainbow Regatta Chicago

## Sailing Instructions

Friday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Chicago, IL

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 Races will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2017-2020 edition, as adopted by U.S. Sailing ("RRS"). U.S. Sailing prescriptions will apply, except for the prescriptions to RRS 63.2 and RRS 63.4.
- 1.2 [NP] All applicable governmental regulations regarding health, safety and infectious disease control shall be strictly followed by all competitors, specifically including any crew limits and requirements for personal protective equipment (PPE).

### 2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Amendments to these Sailing Instructions will be published on each Race's website no later than 0900 on Friday, August 6th 2021. As a courtesy, skippers of entered yachts may be sent notice via email and text regarding amendments, and the Race Committee may broadcast information regarding these amendments via VHF 78. Failure to receive these communications shall not be grounds for redress.

### 3 COMMUNICATIONS TO COMPETITORS

Notices to Competitors will be published via [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com), and will be sent via email and text to all entered competitors. Additionally, the Race Committee may provide courtesy broadcasts during each Race via VHF 78. These broadcasts are intended to assist all boats in understanding how the race is being conducted. Such broadcasts are not grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at both Jackson Park Yacht Club and Belmont Yacht Club.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 75 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 4.3 Information provided via code flags may also be sent via email and text message to skippers of all entered yachts. The Race Committee will provide courtesy broadcasts on VHF 78 to assist sailors in understanding when the race will begin. Failure to receive

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courtesy emails, text messages, or broadcasts are not grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

The first warning signal for the race shall be at 1900 hours on Friday, August 6th, 2021.

### 6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 The class flags are:

Class	Flag
Cruising	White or Rainbow
Jib and Main	D
LMPHRF	5, 4, 3, 2, 1
One Design Classes	Usual CASRA Class flag will be used as needed.

6.2 Any changes to the class flags, class definitions or section breaks will be included in amendment(s) to these Sailing Instructions.

### 7 RACING AREAS

All races will be conducted in the waters of Lake Michigan. The Starting area will be at 41°52.80 N, 87°34.46 W (Approx. 128° T, 0.9 NM from Chicago Harbor Light).

### 8 COURSES

- 8.1 Courses will be as outlined in Appendix A of these Sailing Instructions. Courses are anticipated to be 4-11 nautical miles.
- 8.2 Race committee will determine the course on the day of the race and will signal using a Marker Board on the Committee boat with the letter corresponding to the course in Appendix A. A courtesy VHF Radio Broadcast, announcing the intended course will also be made prior to any preparatory signals. Failure to either hear or receive this broadcast is not grounds for redress or a protest.

### 9 CHECK-IN/CHECK-OUT

- 9.1 When arriving at the starting area, boats should approach the Race Committee boat, hail their sail number and receive acknowledgement from the Race Committee.
- 9.2 To facilitate safety of all competitors, if a boat must withdraw from the race, it shall notify the Race Committee via VHF 78. Boats that are not currently racing or starting their race shall remain clear of the starting area and give way to all boats that are starting or racing.

### 10 OBSTRUCTIONS

The area around the pumping stations (cribs) and the marks placed around them by the Coast Guard are hereby designated as an obstruction. Boats shall treat them as such, and not sail between the marks.

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### 11 THE START

- 11.1 Boats shall start between an orange flag flown on an anchored Race Committee signal boat and yellow inflatable buoy. The Race Committee may set a guard mark. If so, boats shall not pass between the guard mark and the signal boat.
- 11.2 During all starting sequences, the Race Committee will fly the appropriate section flag. Boats racing in Cruising, JAM, PHRF and One Design sections must fly the appropriate section flag on their backstay.
- 11.3 The Race Committee may combine classes for a start.
- 11.4 Boats whose class signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.
- 11.5 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1. The Race Committee will attempt to hail OCS boats by sail number via VHF 78. Failure to make or hear such hails is not grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 11.6 General recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.2. The warning signal for restart of a class following a general recall shall be made one minute after the First Substitute is removed.
- 11.7 If the Race Committee needs to postpone the race, it will fly the Answering Pennant (Flag AP). One (1) minute after the Answering Pennant is lowered the Race Committee will display the warning signal for the next class to start. The Race Committee may broadcast the new starting time via VHF 78 as a courtesy. Failure to make or hear such broadcast is not grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

### 12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 All boats will finish between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and an orange floating mark located at 1°52.80 N, 87°34.46 W (Appx. 128° T, 0.9 NM from Chicago Harbor Light). The Race Committee may set a guard mark. If so, boats shall not pass between the guard mark and the signal boat.

### 13 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.3 shall apply, modified as follows: “The corrected finish of a boat that accepts a penalty under RRS 44.3 shall be 20% of the number of boats started in that class, taken to the higher whole number, but such penalty shall place a yacht no worse than last in her class. Her adjusted place, for determining her placement in her division, shall be one second greater than the time of the boat placing just before her in her division. This changes RRS A.4.1 and A5.

### 14 TIME LIMITS

The time limit shall be 2300 hours on Friday August 6, 2021. Any boats finishing after this time will be scored DNF.

### 15 HEARING REQUESTS

- 15.1 A boat intending to protest or seek redress shall notify the Race Committee of the sail number(s) of the boat(s) being protested immediately after finishing and shall receive specific acknowledgement.

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- 15.2 Protests and requests for redress shall be filed with the Race Committee by 1200 hours on Monday, August 9th, 2021. Protests shall be submitted via the Race website accessible at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com).
- 15.3 Protest and redress hearings will be scheduled by the Organizing Authorities' Protest Committee.
- 15.4 Violations of Section 4 of the Notice of Races can only be protested by the Race Committee.

### 16 SCORING

- 16.1 Section breaks will be published as an amendment to these Sailing Instructions on the Race website accessible at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) and transmitted to competitors via e-mail or text by 1200 hours on Thursday, August 5th, 2021. Failure to receive email or text notification of this notice is not grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 16.2 Each yacht will receive an elapsed time from the Race Committee, derived by subtracting its start time from its finish time. Calculation of start or finish times is not subject to redress by competitors. LMPHRF ratings will be applied to finish times in order to derive scores. Section breaks will be established by the Race Committee for scoring purposes and may be established after the completion of the race. Boats racing in "Jib and Main" sections will be scored separately from boats racing in "Spinnaker" sections
- 16.3 All boats racing in will be scored using their LMPHRF distance handicap (DHCP) time on time rating or if unavailable via a rating assigned by the Organizing Authority. See Notice of Race 7.

### 17 BERTHING

For dockage please contact the Belmont Harbor Master at 312-742-7673

### 18 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded during the after party immediately following the race at Belmont Yacht Club.

### 19 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

**All participants of this event waive any and all rights to any legal action against the organizers, organizations, partners, contractors, donors/sponsors, volunteers and officers of the board(s) for any injuries, diseases, damages, death or dismemberment that may occur as a result of participation in this event. Vessel owners/operators are solely responsible for following all rules/regs. by the state regarding safe boating and**

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**COVID-guidelines. Vessel owners/operators are solely responsible for the cleanliness/hygiene/operation of their vessels. Your participation in this event constitutes your agreement.**

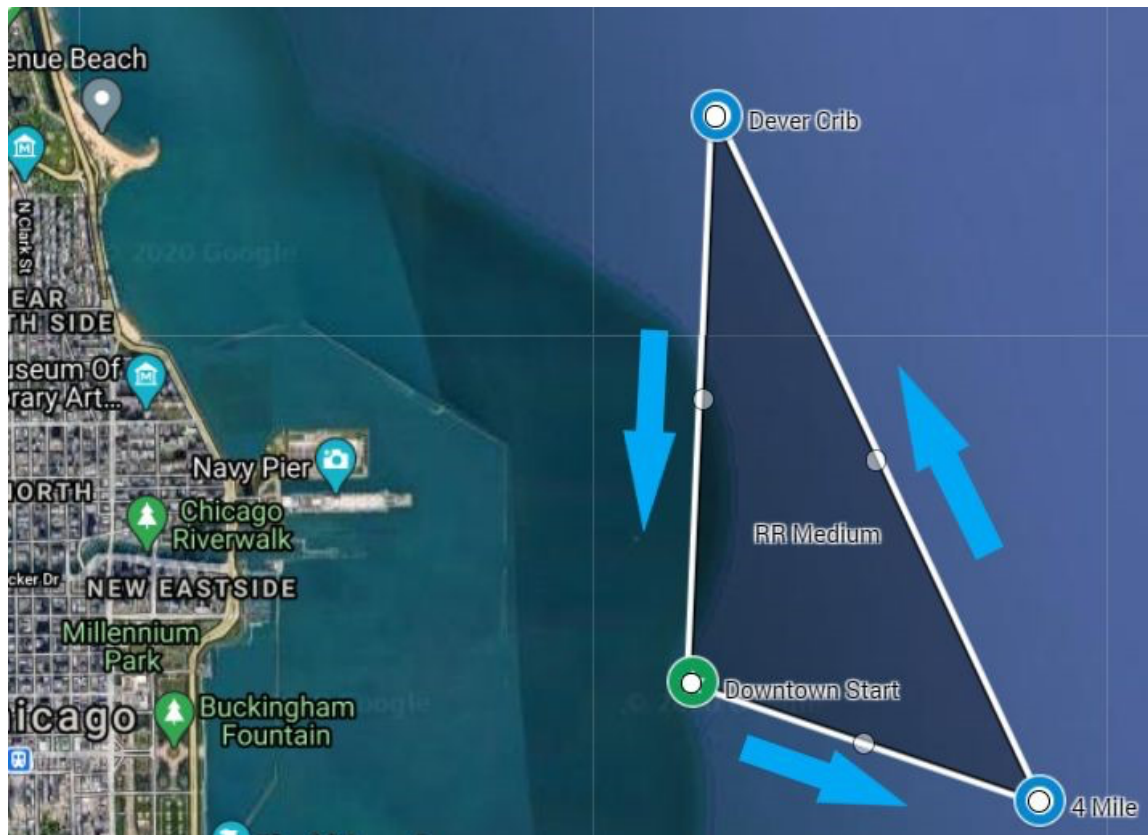
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### APPENDIX A - COURSES

**A.1 MEDIUM COURSE: “M”** - Approx 6.5NM - Will be signaled will be signaled using a Marker Board on the Committee boat with the letter “M” . A courtesy VHF Radio Broadcast, announcing the intended course will also be made prior to any preparatory signals. Failure to either hear or receive this broadcast is not grounds for redress or a protest.

Mark	Approx. Location	Rounding
Start - Downtown area	41° 52.80’N, 87° 34.46’W	
4 Mile Crib	41° 52.22’N, 87° 32.45’W	Port (Turn Left)
Harrison Dever Crib	41°54.59 N, 87°34.23 W	Port (Turn Left)
Finish	41° 52.80’N, 87° 34.46’W	

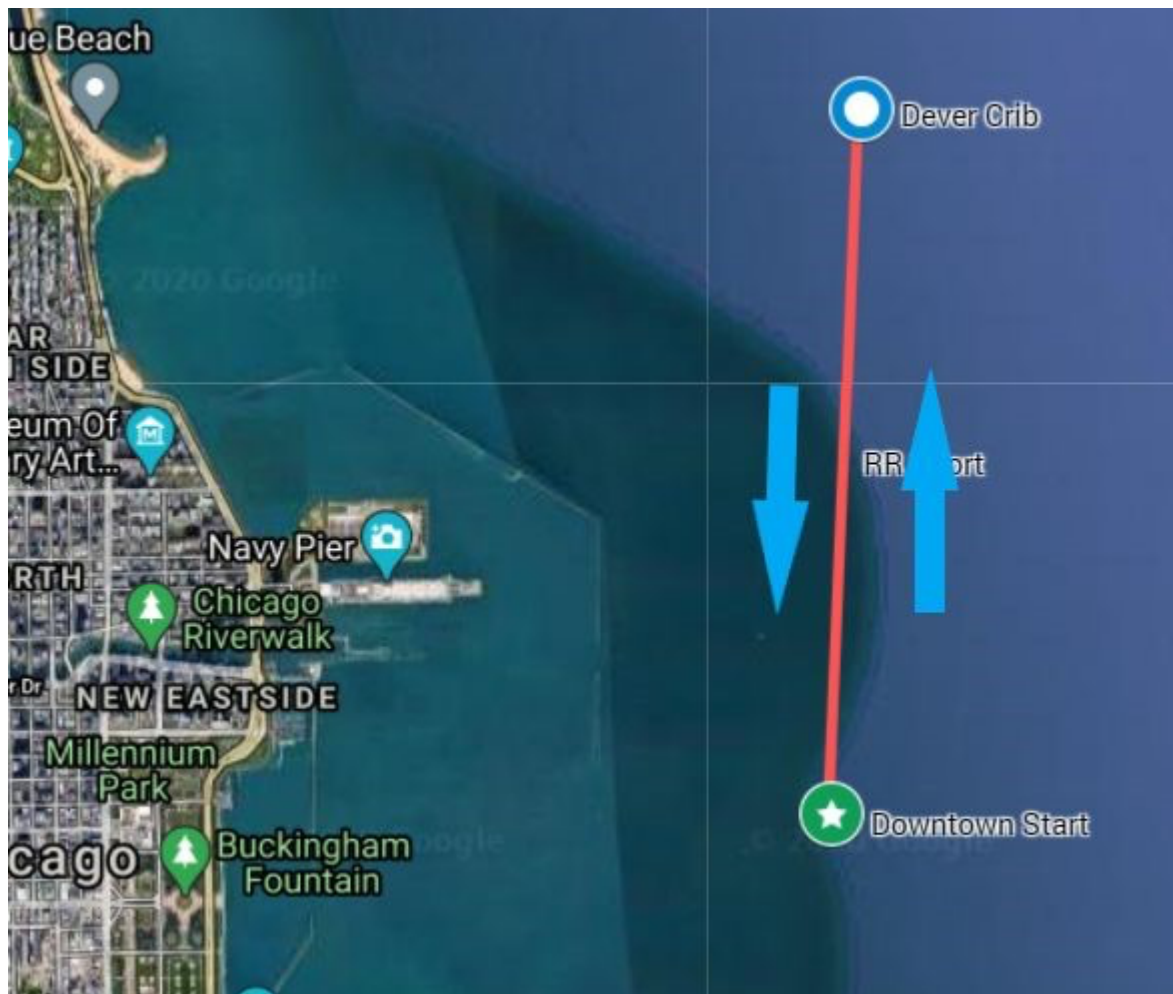


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**A.2 SHORT COURSE: “S” - Approx 4.33NM** - Will be signaled will be signaled using a Marker Board on the Committee boat with the letter “S” . A courtesy VHF Radio Broadcast, announcing the intended course will also be made prior to any preparatory signals. Failure to either hear or receive this broadcast is not grounds for redress or a protest.

Mark	Approx. Location	Rounding
Start - Downtown area	41° 52.80’N, 87° 34.46’W	
Harrison Dever Crib	41°54.59 N, 87°34.23 W	Port (Turn Left)
Finish	41° 52.80’N, 87° 34.46’W	



**A.3 LONG COURSE: “L” - Approx 10.17NM** - Will be signaled will be signaled using a Marker Board on the Committee boat with the letter “L” . A courtesy VHF Radio Broadcast, announcing

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Mark	Approx. Location	Rounding
Start - Downtown area	41° 52.80'N, 87° 34.46'W	
Clemson Shoal Buoy	41° 48.41' N, 87° 32.08' W	Port (Turn Left)
4 Mile Crib	41° 52.22'N, 87° 32.45'W	Port (Turn Left)
Finish	41° 52.80'N, 87° 34.46'W	

