



**Verve Cup Offshore Regatta**  
**Buoy Races**  
**Chicago Yacht Club**  
**Monroe Station, Chicago, IL**  
**August 19-21, 2022**

**Notice of Race (NoR)**

*The Chicago Yacht Club Regatta Association is the Organizing Authority.  
Chicago Yacht Club is the host.*

**ABBREVIATIONS**

**[NP]** *Rules that are not grounds for a protest or request for redress by a boat but may be protested by the Race Committee or Organizing Authority. **This changes RRS 60.1(a).***

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The event is governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Appendices T and V1 shall apply.
- 1.3 The ORC Rating Rules and Midwest Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (MWPHRF) will apply for the respective handicap sections.
- 1.4 **[NP]** Based on any public health consideration, competitors agree to follow Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), State of Illinois and City of Chicago, and the Chicago Yacht Club's policies regarding coronavirus, COVID-19, that are in effect at the time of the event.
- 1.6 **[DP]** Boats shall not fly drones while racing or in the racing area.
- 1.7 Crew substitutions or changes shall be recorded online at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15369> prior to the start of racing each day.
- 1.8 Boats racing in an approved One Design Section shall be subject to their Class Rules and Local Fleet Rules. If there is a difference between a Class Rule, Local Fleet Rule, this Notice of Race (NOR) or the Sailing Instructions (SI), the more restrictive rule shall apply. A copy of the Local Fleet rules shall be provided to the Regatta Manager ([regattamanager@chicagoyachtclub.org](mailto:regattamanager@chicagoyachtclub.org)) by August 5, 2022 in order for them to apply.

**2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available online on or before August 17, 2022 at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15369>.

**3 COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15369>.
- 3.2 **[DP]** All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US Marine Frequencies.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 **[DP]** While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.



**4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1 The regatta is open to any sailboat of 26 feet LOA or greater that holds either a current ORC handicap certificate, a valid MWPHRF certification, or is a member of a one-design racing fleet recognized by the Organizing Authority.
- 4.2 **[NP]** A boat sailing under ORC or MWPHRF will be assigned to a section according to rating and other factors at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 4.2 A minimum of five bona fide entries must be received by 1800 on August 5, 2022 for a one-design section to be recognized. If this requirement is not met, the Organizing Authority will assign these boats to an appropriate ORC or MWPHRF section, in which case a valid ORC or MWPHRF certificate shall be furnished no later than August 12, 2022.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form found on the Chicago Yacht Club website at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15369> and paying the required fee by August 12, 2022. An entry is not valid until the entry form is completed, the fees are received, waivers are completed, and, if applicable, a valid 2022 ORC or MWPHRF certificate has been issued.
- 4.4 An entrant may participate in the Verve Distance Race by marking the entry form accordingly. No additional entry fee will apply.
- 4.5 An entire one-design class may compete in the Verve Cup Distance Race if the fleet captain informs the Organizing Authority of its decision no later than August 5, 2022. The Verve Cup Distance Race results will be scored as part of that section’s Verve Cup results, but no boat within that section will be eligible for the Verve Cup Trophy.

**5 FEES**

5.1 Required Fees are as follows:

Fee Received By	Fee Per Foot	Max Fee
July 25, 2022	\$10	\$450
August 12, 2022	\$13	\$585

A boat’s LOA should be rounded to the lower whole number (e.g. 35’ 8” = 35’) to determine fees.

5.2 Your entry fee includes:

- Entry to the Verve Cup Offshore Regatta
- Docking at the Chicago Yacht Club during the Regatta
- Complimentary access to the Sponsored Pour
- Complimentary access to the Saturday night party
- Trophies

5.3 An administrative fee of \$25 will apply to cancellations. There will be no refunds after August 5, 2022.

**6 ADVERTISING**

- 6.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.
- 6.2 Bow numbers may be provided by the OA depending on fleet size.



## 7 SCHEDULE

7.1 The schedule is as follows:

### Thursday, August 18

1700-1900 Competitor Registration

### Friday, August 19

1055 First warning (all circles)

### Saturday, August 20

1055 First warning (all circles)

### Sunday, August 21

1055 First warning (all circles)

1400 No warning after this time

7.2 A maximum of nine (9) races are scheduled for all classes.

## 8 MEASUREMENT

Each boat competing in a handicap section shall provide a valid ORC certificate or MWPHRF certificate no later than 1800 August 12, 2022.

## 9 VENUE

Racing will take place in the open waters of Lake Michigan off Monroe and Belmont Harbors.

## 10 COURSES

Courses will be Windward/Leeward using inflatable drop or robotic marks.

## 11 PENALTY SYSTEM

Appendices T and V1 shall apply.

## 12 SCORING

12.1 A boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races. No score will be discarded.

***This changes RRS A2.***

12.2 One completed race constitutes a regatta.

12.3 ORC scoring shall be in accordance with the ORC handicap certificate valid on August 12, 2022. ORC scoring will be calculated using time-on-time (TOT) utilizing the Triple Number scoring for Windward / Leeward courses. Explanation of ORC scoring can be found on the US Sailing website at this link:

<https://www.orc.org/scoring/triplenumber.asp>.

12.4 MWPHRF scoring shall be in accordance with the MWPHRF handicap certificate valid on August 12, 2022 using Time-on-Time (ToT) based on the following formula: HCP ToT Rating = 650/(550 + MWPHRF ToD HCP Rating).

12.5 A boat participating in the Verve Cup Distance Race shall be scored DNC for each Verve Cup Offshore race sailed by its class that day unless the entire class sails the Distance Race.

12.6 A score of TLE will receive the points equal to the number of finishers in her class plus two points. ***This changes RRS A4.2 and RRS A5.***

## 13 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

[DP] Support person vessels shall register with the Regatta Manager prior to racing.

## 14 BERTHING

Boats wishing to utilize CYC Monroe or Belmont station docks during the regatta shall make reservations prior to the regatta with the respective CYC Dockmaster. CYC Monroe 312-296-2042 or 312-867-7777 x3781, CYC Belmont 312-617-6997, or email [dockmaster@chicagoyachtclub.org](mailto:dockmaster@chicagoyachtclub.org). If space is available during the regatta, it will be on a first come/first serve basis.



**15 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

**[DP]** Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the event except with, and according to the terms of, prior written permission of the race committee.

**16 RISK STATEMENT**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

**17 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000 per incident or the equivalent. Competitors shall be prepared to supply proof of insurance upon request by the OA.

**18 PRIZES**

18.1 Prizes will be awarded by section. The Verve Cup will be awarded as an overall prize to the winner of the section with the tightest competition.

18.2 Corinthian prizes will be awarded to classes that have the Corinthian division included in their respective class rules and the winning boat conforms to that rule.

18.3 A prize will be awarded to the top Mixed Plus Team (50% + female) in any one-design class with a minimum of 8 boats registered.

**19 ENVIRONMENTAL**

The Verve Cup Regatta is working with Sailors for the Sea Powered by Oceana to become a certified Clean Regatta. Please bring your reusable water bottles, consider car-pooling, provision your boat to avoid single-use plastics, and keep the Lake clean. [www.sailorsforthesea.org](http://www.sailorsforthesea.org)

**20 PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO RIGHTS**

Competitors give absolute right and permission for any photographs or video footage taken of themselves or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever for editorial, commercial purposes, or to be used in press information.

**21 FURTHER INFORMATION**

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