



# 2023 NOTICE OF RACES

## DISTANCE RACES

Organizing Authorities (OA's): Burnham Park Yacht Club (BPYC), Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club (CCYC), Chicago Yacht Club (CYC), Columbia Yacht Club (COLYC), Jackson Park Yacht Club (JPYC), Michigan City Yacht Club (MCYC), St. Joseph River Yacht Club (SJRYC), and Waukegan Yacht Club (WYC).

**May 27 - September 30, 2023**

### NOTICE OF RACES - DISTANCE RACES

This Notice of Races provides basic information about the Chicago Area Sail Racing Association's Distance Events. These events are designed to provide outstanding competition for offshore boats wishing to race medium and long distance races. Please join us for fun and competition on the lakefront this summer!

*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. These races will be governed by the rules as defined in The 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS").
- 1.2. U.S. Sailing prescriptions will apply, except for the prescriptions to RRS 63.2.
- 1.3. For single and double handed races power-driven winches are permitted. This changes RRS 52.
- 1.4. For single and double handed races, boats shall have a functional auto-pilot installed and ready for use while racing. These auto-pilots may be mechanical (wind vane) or electrically operated. Wheel and tiller locks do not meet this rule. This changes RRS 52.
- 1.5. [NP] All competitors shall follow governmental regulations and all the OAs rules and regulations regarding health, safety and infectious disease control.

#### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. In the event of a conflict between this Notice of Races and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

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### 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The online official notice board for each event is accessible at [www.chicagosailracing.org](http://www.chicagosailracing.org).
- 3.2. Failure to receive courtesy emails, text messages, or broadcasts from the Race Committee is not grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.
- 3.3. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 3.4. Help in the form of information freely available to all boats and any publicly offered internet or broadcast weather information from sources available to all competitors, whether on a paid or free basis, is allowable.

### 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. These events are open to any boat of at least 25 feet length overall with a valid 2023 MWPHRF certificate, and boats must race in full compliance with that certificate.
- 4.2. MWPHRF Distance Handicap (DHCP) rating applies to all boats.
- 4.3. Boats must sail with at least two crew members for each race unless the boat is entered into an approved singlehanded section
- 4.4. For each Race, the OA(s) will provide separate classes for multihull, shorthanded, and “jib and main” entrants if sufficient entrants exist.
- 4.5. Groups of four or more one-design boats desiring to race in a separate class may petition the OA(s) for acceptance as a class. Petitions should be addressed to [info@chicagosailracing.org](mailto:info@chicagosailracing.org), and shall be made no later than 14 days prior to the start of the event.
- 4.6. One-design boats accepted as a class by an OA(s) must race in compliance with the following rules:
  - 4.6.1. T-10s must comply with the rules of the National T-10 Association and the local rules of Fleet Number 2. In the event of a discrepancy between the two, the latter shall control.
  - 4.6.2. Beneteau 36.7s must comply with the Beneteau First 36.7 North American One-Design Class Rules and the local rules of the Beneteau First 36.7 Lake Michigan Fleet.
  - 4.6.3. Beneteau 40.7s must comply with Beneteau First 40.7 North American One Design Class Rules.
  - 4.6.4. All other one design classes must comply with their respective class rules.

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- 4.7. Should the OA's offer a single-handed class, additional rules pertaining to that class will be published in an amendment to the NOR.
  - 4.8. Boats shall carry safety equipment in conformance with the CASRA **Nearshore** Safety Regulations.
  - 4.9. Boats participating in the Chicago-Michigan City-Chicago Race, and the Bi-State and Tri-State Races, shall comply with CASRA **Offshore** Safety Regulations.
  - 4.10. Eligible boats may enter any one or more of these events by completing the online entry form at each event's website, accessible via [www.chicagosailracing.org](http://www.chicagosailracing.org).
  - 4.11. To be considered an entry in any of these events, a boat must complete all registration requirements and pay all fees no later than 1200 on the day prior to an event's start time.
5. **FEES**
- 5.1. The Regular Entry Fee for each one day event is \$60 and \$80 for a two day event.
  - 5.2. Boats entering and paying for a race by May 1, 2023, or 30 days or more in advance of the Race's start date (whichever is later) will be entitled to pay an Early Entry Fee of \$40 for a one event day and \$60 for a two event day.
  - 5.3. All entry fees are refundable, subject to a \$10 administration fee. In order to receive a refund for a race, yachts must withdraw via Yacht Scoring or email to the OA of that event no later than 24 hours prior to the start of a race.
6. **ADVERTISING**
- 6.1. Any advertising proposed to be carried by a boat must be described in the Entry Form.
  - 6.2. Advertising deemed by Organizing Authorities not to be compliant with World Sailing Regulation 20 may be rejected.

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### 7. SCHEDULE

All times listed are CDT.

Date	Event	OA's	1st Warning
May 27 & 28	Spring Opener	CCYC	1000
June 24	Chicago to Waukegan	CCYC/WYC	0930
June 25	Waukegan to Chicago	CCYC	0900
June 30	Chicago-Michigan City-Chicago	COLYC/BPYC	1830
July 8	Gold Star Regatta	JPYC/COLYC	1030
August 4	Rainbow Regatta	JPYC	1900
August 19 & 20	Third Coast Cup	CCYC / BPYC	0900
August 26 & 27	Pursuit of Happiness	JPYC/BPYC	1000
September 1	Tri-State: Chicago to St. Joe	COLYC/SJRYC/JPYC	1830
September 3	Bi-State: St. Joe to Chicago	JPYC	0800
September 3	Tri-State: St. Joe to Michigan City	BPYC/MCYC	1000
September 4	Tri-State: Michigan City to Chicago	JPYC	0930
September 10	Hobelman Regatta	CCYC	1000
September 16	Sheldon Clark	CYC	1030
September 17	Polonia Cup	CCYC	1100
September 30	Fall Closer Regatta	CCYC	1000

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### 8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Measurement and weigh-ins will not be conducted by the OA's.

### 9. VENUE AND COURSES

The venue for these races will be the waters of Lake Michigan, with specific starting areas outlined in the Sailing Instructions.

### 10. SCORING

10.1. Each Race will be scored individually and independently.

10.2. Class breaks will be set by each OA and transmitted to competitors by 1200 hours Thursday prior to each weekend's race(s).

Time on time scoring will be applied using the following formula. HCP rating =  $650 / (550 + \text{MWPHRF DHCP Rating})$ .

### 11. DOCKING

To the extent possible, Organizing Authorities will make docking available to entered boats. Availability of docking for post-race parties and docking instructions will be outlined in amendments for each race.

### 12. 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.**

### 13. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$500,000 per incident or the equivalent.

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### 14. PRIZES

For each event, prizes will be given as follows:

Starters in a Class	Prizes
1-4	1
5-6	2
7-14	3
15-19	4
20 or more	5

### 15. 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.

### 16. FURTHER INFORMATION

Visit [www.chicagosailracing.org](http://www.chicagosailracing.org) for additional information. Please direct any questions to [info@chicagosailracing.org](mailto:info@chicagosailracing.org).

### 17. THANKS

Thanks to all sailors for joining us for these events, and a special thanks to our sponsors!

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