



**Monroe Skyline Series  
Chicago Yacht Club  
Monroe Harbor, Chicago, IL  
May 10 - September 27, 2023**

**NOTICE OF RACE**

[NP] Rules that are not grounds for a protest or request for redress by a boat. **This changes RRS 60.1(a).**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The races will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The MWPHRF Rating System Time-on-Time (ToT) for buoy races will apply to all boats, except for one-design sections.
- 1.3 The following US Sailing prescription will not apply: 63.2.
- 1.4 [DP] Boats shall not fly drones while racing or in the racing area.
- 1.5 [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.

**2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available prior to May 1, 2023.
- 2.2 The sailing instructions include sailing instructions from Columbia Chicago Beer Can Series <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15852> as amended by Chicago Yacht Club at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15810>
- 2.3 In addition to this Notice of Series, The Columbia Chicago Beer Can Series NOR also applies. In the event of a conflict, this NOR will prevail.

**3 COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15852> and <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15810>
- 3.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US Marine Frequencies.
- 3.3 [NP] On the water, the Race Committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs. Failure to receive courtesy broadcasts shall not be grounds for a request for redress. ***This changes RRS 62.1(a).***
- 3.4 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice, paid subscription service and/or data communication that is not available to all boats.

**4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1 The races are open to sailboats owned by Members in good standing of Chicago Yacht Club and meet the following requirements:
  - a. Boat is 20 feet or longer.
  - b. Boat has either a valid MWPHRF certificate or has acquired a Beer Can PHRF rating.
- 4.2 All boats must complete Yacht Scoring registration at both the Columbia's Yacht Scoring Page <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15852> and the Chicago YC Yacht Scoring page <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15810>



- 4.3 [NP] While valid MWPHRF certificates are encouraged, the ColYC Regatta Manager will assign ratings to boats without certificates.
- 4.4 MWPHRF Certificate crew limitations do not apply.
- 4.5 To be considered an entry in an event or the series, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

## 5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee for the entire series will be \$150 (paid to Columbia) and \$20 paid to Chicago YC.
- 5.2 Entry fees will not be refunded for any reason.

## 7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Races are on Wednesdays as follows: 5/10 thru 7/12 & 8/2 thru 9/6 hosted by ColYC and 9/13 thru 9/27 hosted by CYC.

## 8 VENUE

- 8.1 ColYC-hosted races will be held on the Chicago Beer Can Racecourse per the ColYC NOR available at <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15852>.
- 8.2 CYC-hosted races will be held in the open waters of Lake Michigan East of Monroe Harbor.

## 9 COURSES

- 9.1 Courses for races hosted by ColYC will be held on the Chicago Beer Can Racecourse, a circle of 8 permanent marks located southwest of the Four-Mile Crib. All races for ColYC hosted races will start from SA7, the center mark of the racing circle.
- 9.2 Courses for races hosted by CYC will be distance races around fixed government marks or using inflatable drop marks.

## 10 PENALTY SYSTEMS

- 10.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## 11 SCORING

- 11.1 Each individual race shall be scored using the low-point scoring system of RRS Appendix A. All races in the series shall count including 5/10 tuneup, 8/9 100 boats and the 3 CYC run races with 4 allowed throw outs. *This changes RRS A2.1.*
- 11.2 For all events, boats participating in the Monroe Wednesday Skyline Series will be scored separately from boats participating from other clubs.
- 11.3 When a boat competes in a section other than what they have registered for, that week's racing results will not count towards their season standings.
- 11.4 The CASRA 100 Boats on a Beer Can Race on Wednesday 8/9 will count towards season standings in the Monroe Skyline Series. The Feeder race on Tuesday 8/8 will not count toward the series.
- 11.5 Rule A5.3 applies.

## 12 PRIZES

- 12.1 Weekly prizes will be given at the discretion of the Organizing Authority to maximize fun and camaraderie which may not be prizes for true winners but rather for new winners and not likely for repeat winners.



- 12.2 Each race day a post-race party and daily awards will be held. In order to be eligible to win the weekly prizes, you must attend the post-race party.
- 12.3 The Organizing Authority will have the discretion to not award weekly prizes for sections in which less than 2 boats participated in that week's races.
- 12.4 When a boat competes in a section other than what they have registered for, they will not be eligible for weekly prizes.
- 12.5 Prizes will be awarded to the top finishers in each section and the fleet for the overall season based on the number of participants.
- 12.6 The overall fleet winner for the series will have their name engraved on the Skyline Bell in the Mac bar.

**13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

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

**14 INSURANCE**

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

**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**

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