



**Verve Distance Race  
Chicago Yacht Club  
Monroe Harbor, Chicago, IL  
August 13, 2016**



## **NOTICE OF RACE**

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The following US Sailing prescriptions will not apply: 60, 63.2, and 63.4.
- 1.3 Appendices T1, T2 and T5 will apply.
- 1.4 The Offshore Rating Rule will apply for handicap classes.

### **2 ADVERTISING**

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

### **3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 The person in charge shall be a member of his or her national authority. The U.S. national authority is US Sailing.
- 3.2 The regatta is open to any boat of 25 feet LOA or greater that holds either a current Offshore Racing Rule (ORR) handicap certificate or is a member of a one-design racing fleet recognized by the organizing authority. A boat sailing under ORR shall be assigned to a division and class according to rating and to other factors at the discretion of the organizing authority.
- 3.3 There will be two divisions of the Verve Distance Race: Offshore Racing and Jib-and-Main. Divisions may have more than one class. Boats are permitted to use power-driven winches and electro-mechanical steering devices in both divisions.
- 3.4 A minimum of six bona fide entries must be received by August 1, 2016 for a one-design fleet to be recognized. If this requirement is not met, the organizing authority will assign these boats to an appropriate ORR class, in which case a valid ORR certificate shall be furnished no later than August 1, 2016. Boats entered in a recognized one-design fleet may also submit an ORR certificate no later than August 1, 2016 to be scored additionally within an ORR class and be eligible for the 8 Mile Buoy Trophy.
- 3.5 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form found on the Chicago Yacht Club website at [www.chicagoyachtclub.org/verveoffshore](http://www.chicagoyachtclub.org/verveoffshore) and paying the required fee no later than August 1, 2016. An entry is not valid until the entry form is completed, the fees are received and, if applicable, a valid 2016 ORR certificate is furnished.
- 3.6 An entrant participating in the Verve Cup may participate in the Verve Distance Race by marking the entry form accordingly. No additional entry fee other than that for the Verve Cup will apply. A Verve Distance Race competitor will be scored DNC for that day's Verve Cup races.

- 3.7 An entire one-design class may compete in the Verve Distance Race if the fleet captain informs the organizing authority of its decision no later than August 1, 2016. The Verve Distance Race results will be scored as part of that class's Verve Cup results, but no boat within that class will be eligible for the overall Verve Cup Trophy.

#### **4 FEES**

- 4.1 Required fees are as follows:

<u>Fee received by</u>	<u>Fee per foot</u>
July 1, 2016	\$2.50
August 1, 2106	\$3.50

- 4.2 The entry fee includes access to all social events for skippers and crew.  
4.3 An administrative fee of \$35 will apply to cancellations. There will be no refunds after August 1.

#### **5 SCHEDULE**

##### Thursday, August 11

1200-1830	Competitor registration
1830	Skipper's meeting

##### Friday, August 12

1400-1830	Registration
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##### Saturday, August 13

0925	First warning
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##### Sunday, August 14

After racing	Awards presentation
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#### **6 MEASUREMENTS**

A boat in a handicap class shall produce a valid ORR certificate no later than August 1, 2016 at 1800.

#### **7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available on the official notice board at registration prior to the regatta and may be available, as a courtesy, at the Chicago Yacht Club website at [www.chicagoyachtclub.org/verveoffshore](http://www.chicagoyachtclub.org/verveoffshore).

#### **8 VENUE**

Racing will take place in the open waters of Lake Michigan east of Monroe Harbor.

#### **9 COURSE**

The race committee may set a different course for each class. Course distances available for selection range from approximately 9 nm to 30 nm.

## **10 SCORING**

Boats entered under ORR will be scored using that rule and corrected times will be calculated using the time-on-time offshore closed course rating. All other boats will be scored without handicap, except for the 8 Mile Buoy Trophy.

## **11 PRIZES**

11.1 Prizes will be awarded by class.

11.2 The 8 Mile Buoy Trophy will be awarded to the boat in each Offshore Racing class whose corrected time is the lowest across its class. All winning boat names will be inscribed on the trophy.

## **12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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.

## **13 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per event or the equivalent.

## **14 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.

## **15 FURTHER INFORMATION**

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