

NOTICE OF RACE

for the



REGATTA
June 4-5, 2011

Columbia Yacht Club
111 N. Lake Shore Drive
Chicago, IL 6060



1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012* (RRS), the prescriptions of US SAILING, except as these are changed by this Notice of Race and by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. In case of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7
- 1.3. For ORR Classes, the Offshore Racing Rules (ORR) as administered by US SAILING shall apply.
- 1.4. For One Design Classes, the rules and regulations of their local class rules shall apply.
- 1.5. PHRF Racing will be offered if sufficient entries are received and a satisfactory Division can be established (See 3.4)
- 1.6. Boats competing must meet all class safety regulations. All boats entered must meet US Coast Guard safety requirements and comply with ISAF Category 4 safety requirements.
- 1.7. ALTERATION OF RULES
 - 1.7.1. RRS 35, Time Limit may be modified to include a time limit for the benefit of the regatta.
 - 1.7.2. RRS 51, Movable Ballast will be modified to allow the movement of sails not in use while racing.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The 2011 COLORS ORR Regatta is open to boats with current ORR Certificates. To be eligible to race in the ORR Division, each boat shall possess a valid "Full Measurement" or "Partial Measurement" ORR certificate reflecting the boats anticipated racing configuration issued by US Sailing. ORR Ratings may be obtained by contacting Offshore@ussailing.org or http://offshore.ussailing.org/ORR/ORR_Rating.htm.
Or, call US SAILING Offshore department at 401-683-0800. Boats may consult their current rating status at http://offshore.ussailing.org/ORR/ORR_Scratch_Sheets.htm
- 2.2. The 2011 COLORS One Design Regatta is open to T-10, Farr 40, J-105, J-109, Beneteau 36.7 and Beneteau 40.7 classes.
- 2.3. The 2011 COLORS PHRF Regatta is open to boats with valid LMPHRF Certificates. Boats otherwise qualifying that do not supply LMPHRF certificates may have handicaps assigned by COLYC. Assignment of handicaps is offered as an accommodation and such handicaps are not subject to competitor initiated review or protest, but may be changed by COLYC before or during the Regatta.
- 2.4. In the event there are insufficient PHRF entries to form a stand-alone class, PHRF entries will be assigned an ORR Class at the discretion of the OA, but will be scored as a separate PHRF class.
- 2.5. Notwithstanding any of the above; any group of FOUR (4) or more yachts, desiring to race as a separate class, may submit a written petition to the organizing authority for acceptance as a class. Such petitions must be in the hands of the Columbia Yacht Club by May 30, 2011.
- 2.6. Eligible boats shall complete online registration and payment via credit card at <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=455> not later than **June 3, 2011**. Alternatively, boats may be entered by submitting a complete entry package which consists of:
 1. A completed and signed entry form (included with this Notice of Race)
 2. Applicable entry fee (see FEES below) payable to Columbia Yacht Club
 3. Evidence that the yacht carries \$300,000 of liability insurance

The entry form with applicable fee must be received by COL YC no later than **June 4, 2011**. Mail or deliver to:

COLORS REGATTA
c/o Columbia Yacht Club
111 N. Lake Shore Drive
Chicago, IL 60601

- 2.7 Withdrawals and refunds: If a minimum of 4 boats do not sign up for a section, boats in that section may withdraw by **June 3, 2011, 1930hrs** and receive a full refund. This applies to all sections including PHRF. For PHRF, boats will initially be divided into four (4) sections with ratings of 19 & below, 21 to 57, 60 to 73, and 74 & above. Any boat in a PHRF section with less than 4 boats entered will be eligible to withdraw and receive a full refund.

3. FEES

- 3.1. Entry Fee \$150.00

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES AND EVENTS

4.1	Fri 3 June	1700 – 1930	Registration/Social/Free 312 Beer (see 4.3)
	Sat 4 June	1000	Warning signal for first race
		1700 – LATE	Post Race Social and Urban Sailing 312 Party
	Sun 5 June	1000	Warning signal for first race
		1600	Post Race Social and Regatta Awards



4.2 Three races are scheduled each day. However, it is the intent of the Race Committee to complete as many races as practical each day.

4.3 There will be no formal Skipper's Meeting on Friday June 3, 2011. However, the Race Committee will be available for consultations and the registration desk open for last minute registrations.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1. Sailing Instructions will be available at COL YC on or about June 1, 2011. They will also be available online at <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=455>.

6. REGATTA VENUE and COURSES

6.1. The courses to be sailed will be windward-leeward with 2 to 6 legs. Windward offset marks and leeward gates may be used.

6.2. The racing area will be offshore due East of Monroe Street Harbor entrance. The exact location will be in the Sailing Instructions.

7. SCORING

7.1. The Low-Point System, Appendix A4 of the RRS will apply, with 6 races scheduled of which 1 shall be completed to constitute a series. Each boat's total score will be the sum of the scores for all races, and no score will be excluded. This modifies RRS A2.

7.2. RRS A8 shall not apply. Unresolved ties will be determined in favor of the boat that beat the other in the last race of the regatta.

7.3. ORR Division. Time-on-time scoring in accordance with the ORR handicapping procedures will be utilized.

7.4. PHRF Division. Time on distance scoring will be utilized

8. RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

9. SOCIAL

Columbia YC will host a party on Saturday night. Columbia will provide refreshments/food after the races on Sunday.

10. DOCKING

There will be a limited amount of complimentary dockage available at Columbia YC from 1500 hrs, Friday, June 3 through Sunday, June 5. This dockage will be in a side tie configuration with other boats rafted alongside at least 2-3 deep.

11. PRIZES

There shall be all kinds of prizes — including prizes for the top three in each section. However, none of the prizes shall have anything more than symbolic value.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (OA, Race Committee, Protest Committee, sponsors, or any other organization or official) 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. By participating in this race, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

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. FURTHER INFORMATION

There shall be shall be no whining! And no sniveling either! For additional information please contact

Organizing Club:

Columbia Yacht Club

312-938-3625

Regatta Chairs:

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ENTRY FORM

COLORS

JUNE 4-5, 2011

Yacht name: _____ Sail #: _____

Yacht Class: _____ US Sailing #: _____

Owner: _____ Yacht Club: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Business phone: _____ Home phone: _____

Email: _____ Number of crew: _____

I agree to be bound by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and by all other rules that govern this event

Owner/Skipper: _____ Date: _____

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