



2011 Sheldon Clark Regatta

Notice of Race

Saturday, September 17th

(and Sunday, September 18th for RYF classes)

Belmont Station

OFFICIAL NOTICE AND CONDITIONS OF RACE

The Chicago Yacht Club shall be the organizing authority.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The rules as defined by The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2009-2012 Including US SAILING Prescriptions (RRS).
- 1.2 The rules and associated regulations of the individual One-Design Fleet Rules (these may be modified by local fleet rules), the Offshore Racing Rule (ORR), and the current International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Offshore Special Regulations for Category 4, as modified by the organizing authority, will apply.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Any advertising proposed to be carried by a boat must be described via email to racecoordinator@chicagoyachtclub.org prior to September 1, 2011.
- 2.2 Advertising deemed by the Organizing Authority not to be compliant with ISAF Regulation 20 may be rejected. Competitors that are permitted to display advertising are urged to refrain from displaying advertising that competes with the sponsors of this event.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 All owners and/or skippers of boats participating in the Sheldon Clark Regatta must be members of their national sailing body. (US Sailing: www.ussailing.org)
- 3.2 The Regatta is open to any boat of 24 feet LOA or greater that either holds a current ORR Handicap Certificate or is a member of a one-design racing fleet. A minimum of 5 legitimate entries must be received by September 9, 2011, for a one-design fleet to be started and scored. If the number of entries seeking to constitute a one-design section does not meet this minimum requirement, the organizing authority has the

authority to assign these boats to an appropriate ORR section, in which case a valid ORR certificate must be furnished no later than September 14, 2011. The organizing authority reserves the option to create a “grand prix” section of boats at the faster end of the rating spectrum if a significant number of entries are received. The organizing authority reserves the option to create a One-Design section that does not meet these requirements.

- 3.3 The boats shall be assigned sections according to Handicap Ratings and other factors at the discretion of the organizing authority. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form found at www.yachtscoring.com and paying the required fee by September 9, 2011. Late fees will apply to entries received after September 9, 2011 up to the entry deadline of September 14, 2011.
- 3.4 An entry is not valid until the entry form is completed, the fees are received and, if applicable, a valid ORR rating is provided.
- 3.5 The following Fleets are invited to join us for a second day of racing on Sunday, September 18th at the Belmont RYF One Design Circle; Beneteau 36.7, Beneteau 40.7, International Etchells, J-105, J-109, J-111, Luders 16, Shields and Tartan 10, (RYF classes, plus the Beneteau 40.7s, J-109s and any other One-Design section approved by the organizing authority).

4 FEES

- 4.1 Required entry fee for all CYC member owned boats is \$10 per race day, entry fee for all other boats is \$45 for one race day and \$65.00 if participating in both race days. Required late fee for entries received after September 9, is \$25.
- 4.2 The entry fee includes access to all social events for skippers and crew.
- 4.3 An administrative fee of \$10 shall apply to cancellations. There will be no refunds after September 9.

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The scheduled time of the first warning signal for Saturday, September 17th is 0955, with as many races as practical completed. No warning signal will be made after 1600
- 5.2 The scheduled time for the first warning signal for Sunday, September 18th is 1055, with as many races as practical completed. No warning signal will be made after 1600.
- 5.3 One race shall constitute a Regatta. All races shall be scored.

6 MEASUREMENTS

- 6.1 Each boat racing on a handicap basis shall produce a valid 2011 ORR Handicap Certificate. Applications for an ORR Certificate may be obtained from [USSAILING at www.ussailing.org](http://USSAILING.org).

- 6.2 Each boat racing in a One-Design section shall carry a valid One-Design measurement certificate.
- 6.3 No handicap or rating changes will be accepted after 1800 hours, September 14.
- 6.4 Crew weigh-ins for One-Design, if required by fleet rules, must be conducted by the fleet.

7 SECTION BREAKS

The organizing authority will post Section breaks online at www.yachtscoring.com.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available online at www.yachtscoring.com prior to September 14.

9 VENUE

The racing area on Saturday for all sections (except the International Etchells, Luders 16, Shields and T-Tens) will be the LMSRF Area III Starting Area – SA3, approximately 2.3 NM northeast of the 4-mile Crib.

The racing area on Sunday for all sections will be the Belmont RYF One-Design Circle, approximately 1.5 NM east of the Harrison/Dever water intake Crib

10 THE COURSES

The courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

11 PROTESTS AND PENALTY SYSTEM

Protests and Penalties will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

12 SCORING

The scoring system is as follows: Each boat's score will be the sum of its scores for all races. There shall be no throw-outs. This changes RRS A2. One race shall constitute a Regatta. All races shall be scored.

13 PRIZES

Section series prizes will be awarded at the CYC Offshore dinner on Friday, October 21st according to the following table:

Less than or equal to 15 boats:	1st, 2nd, 3rd
16-25 boats:	1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th
26 or more boats:	1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5 th

In addition to the prizes listed above, daily prizes for Saturdays racing may be distributed to the attendees of the Saturday's **Big Kahuna Party** at Belmont.

14 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. All competing boats shall carry an operating VHF radio capable of receiving and transmitting. Race committee shall use VHF channel 78 for any courtesy broadcasts.

15 DOCKING

- 15.1 All participating yachts may dock at Chicago Yacht Club, Belmont Station, free of charge from 1200 hours on Friday, September 16, until 1200 hours on Sunday, September 18. All slips and/or dockage space will be assigned by the Chicago Yacht Club Dockmaster.
- 15.2 After racing, all slips and dockage space will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis for those boats participating in the Sheldon Clark Regatta (except slips and/or dockage space which may be set aside by the Chicago Yacht Club Dockmaster for boats not participating in the regatta).
- 15.3 No personal gear or boat equipment may be left on the docks while participating in the Regatta. Violators shall be subject to protest by the organizing authority. A 10% placement penalty for entrant's first race finished on the day of the protest will apply without hearing. This changes rule 63.1.

16 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.

17 INSURANCE

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

18 AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE

The organizing authority reserves the right to amend this Notice. Any amendment will be posted on the Official Notice Board and online. Copies will be available at www.yachtscoring.com.

19 SOCIAL

Big Kahuna Party at Belmont Station on Saturday afternoon following that day's racing.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

Email: racecoordinator@chicagoyachtclub.org

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