



**Racing Yacht Fleets Series
Chicago Yacht Club
May 19, 2012 -- October 13, 2012
Belmont Harbor, Chicago, IL**

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The races 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 Class rules prohibiting the use of marine band radios and cellular telephones will not apply. All boats are required to carry an operating VHF marine-band radio while sailing in these events. This changes International Etchell's Class Rule C.5.2(b)(8) and Shields Class Rule 10.9.
- 1.4 Class rules prohibiting GPS navigation devices will not apply. The following conditions shall apply to the use of GPS navigation devices: When class rules prohibit the use of a GPS while racing, such a device may be used provided that it shall be installed in a position or covered in such a way that no data may be taken from it while sailing. Data produced by such device may be viewed only at the dock or on shore. This changes International Etchell's Class Rules C.5.1(b) and Shields Class Rule 10.9.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The Racing Yachts Fleets Series is open to boats of the Beneteau 36.7, International Etchells, J/111, Luders 16, Shields, and Tartan 10 classes that are owned, co-owned, or chartered by a Chicago Yacht Club member or pending applicant, who is also an active member in good standing of the boat's class and local Chicago fleet. The term "Chicago Yacht Club member" includes spouses and minor children of members of the Chicago Yacht Club. The owner, co-owner, charterer, or designated representative who is a Chicago Yacht Club member shall be aboard the boat while racing in Series races.
- 2.2 A boat of the Beneteau 36.7, International Etchells, J/111, Luders 16, Shields, or Tartan 10 class that is owned, co-owned, or chartered by anyone other than a member of Chicago Yacht Club, and who is an active member in good standing of the boat's class and local Chicago fleet, may compete in the Racing Yachts Fleets Series.
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter by submitting a completed 2012 Racing Yacht Fleets Entry Form, together with any required fee, to the Chicago Yacht Club race committee prior to the first race in which the boat is entered. Entries will be accepted at the event website at www.yachtscoring.com.

3 FEES

3.1 The entry fee for Chicago Yacht Club members is as follows:

Etchells, Shields, Luders 16, Tartan 10	\$140
Beneteau 36.7	\$ 80
J/111	\$ 30

3.2 The entry fees for boats entered under notice 2.2 are as follows:

Etchells, Shields, Luders 16	\$700
Tartan 10	\$200
Beneteau 36.7	\$400
J/111	\$150

3.3 Fees shall be paid to Chicago Yacht Club, attention race committee coordinator, at Monroe Station no later than May 18, 2012 at 1700.

4 SCHEDULE AND VENUE

4.1 All scheduled races are listed in the 2012 Racing Yacht Fleets Schedule posted on the official notice board at Chicago Yacht Club Belmont Station and the Chicago Yacht Club website.

4.2 The races will be held in the open waters of Lake Michigan east of Belmont Harbor.

4.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1055.

4.4 Up to three races will be sailed on any race day. Races abandoned and re-sailed the same day will be started in the same order as scheduled. There are no make-up races scheduled.

4.5 A competitors meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 16, 2011 at 1830 at Chicago Yacht Club Belmont Station.

4.6 There may be boats entered in a separate competition sailing in the same race area as this series.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available prior to racing on the Chicago Yacht Club website and on the official notice board at the Chicago Yacht Club Belmont Station.

6 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Dry-sail hoists shall not be used for boat cleaning, maintenance or repairs between 0800 and 1030 on the day that any dry-sailed class has a morning start. A boat breaking this rule may receive a scoring penalty in the next series race the boat completes of up to 40% (rounding 0.5 upward) of the boats entered in the series.