



**Chicago Regatta
Chicago Yacht Club (OA)
Belmont & Monroe Harbors, Chicago, Illinois
September 12-13, 2020**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
BUOY RACE**

Abbreviations

[SP] Rules for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing or a discretionary penalty applied by the protest committee with a hearing.

[DP] Rules for which the penalties are at the discretion of the protest committee.

[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 regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current edition of *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Appendices T and V1 shall apply.
- 1.3 Individual class rules are changed as per Section 6 of this Notice of Race.
- 1.4 All applicable governmental regulations regarding health, safety and infectious disease control shall be strictly followed by all competitors, specifically including any crew limits and requirements for personal protective equipment (PPE).
- 1.5 Competitors using any Chicago Yacht Club facilities, including docks, shall follow [*House and Ground Rules In Effect Due to Covid-19*](#).
- 1.6 Crew substitutions or changes shall be made online prior to the start of racing each day.
- 1.7 Violations of Section 1.5, 1.6, and 1.7 shall not be protestable by a competitor but may be protested by the Race Committee or Organizing Authority. *This changes rule RRS 60.1.*

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at Yachtscoring.com.
- 2.2 **[NP]** Errors and omissions in courtesy broadcasts are not grounds for a request for redress. *This changes RRS 62.1(a).*

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.



4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at both Monroe and Belmont Stations. In addition, signals made ashore will be distributed, as a courtesy, to the email or text address listed in a boat's entry form.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 75 minutes in the race signal AP.'

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Saturday, September 12

- 1055 First Warning
1500 No warning after this time.

Sunday, September 13

- 1055 First Warning
1500 No warning after this time.

Racing will be held on Sunday, September 13 for boats racing in the Sonar, J/70, and Etchells class only.

6 RACING AREAS AND COURTESY BROADCASTS

See Addendum B for racing area and courtesy channel.

7 CHECK-IN/CHECK-OUT [DP][NP]

- 7.1 Each boat shall check in by sailing past the race committee signal boat, hailing or displaying her sail number, and receiving an acknowledgement from the race committee prior to her first race on each day of racing. A boat found to have broken instruction 9.1 may receive a scoring penalty for her first race that day equal to 20 percent of the number of competitors registered in her class.
- 7.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee either before leaving the course or, if that is impracticable, immediately after arriving ashore. A boat found to have broken instruction 9.2 may receive a scoring penalty in every race that day equal to 20 percent of the number of competitors registered in her class. ***This changes RRS 63.1.***

8 COURSES

- 8.1 Addendum A shows the courses, the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which the marks are to be left.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display on course boards:
- the approximate compass bearing to Mark 1
 - the distance to long Mark 1
 - the distance to short Mark 1
 - the number of legs to be sailed
 - the course assignment for each class
- 8.3 [NP] Course information may be signaled by courtesy broadcasts on the designated VHF channel. Errors and omissions in courtesy broadcasts are not grounds for a request for redress. ***This changes RRS 62.1(a).***
- 8.4 Mark 2 will be a gate. In the event that the gate is not in place, the single leeward Mark 2 shall be left to port.
- 8.5 Long Mark 1 and short Mark 1 will have an offset mark. In the event that the offset mark is not in place,



the single windward Mark 1 shall be left to port.

- 8.6 When short mark and long mark are the same distance, only one mark will be set and will be referred to as long mark and will have an offset

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Original turning marks will be orange shapes.
- 9.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 12, will be yellow for the first change. Subsequent changes will alternate orange and yellow marks. There will be no offset marks for change marks.
- 9.3 The starting mark will be green.
- 9.4 The finishing mark for downwind finishes will be a white shape left to port on the opposite side of the signal boat from the starting line. The finishing mark for upwind finishes will be the active long course weather mark.
- 9.5 When the “Bravo Course” is signaled by the race committee, the race course shall be as shown in Addendum A. The starting (pin), leeward and finish marks shall be a single green mark left to port for the start and leeward mark, and left to starboard at the finish.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The area around the pumping stations (cribs) and the marks placed around them by the Coast Guard are hereby designated as an obstruction. Boats shall treat them as such, and not sail between the marks.

11 THE START

- 11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 11.2 [NP] Boats on the course side at the start may be courtesy hailed by the race committee on the designated VHF channel. Errors or omissions in courtesy broadcasts or hails are not grounds for a request for redress. ***This changes RRS 62.1(a).***
- 11.3 A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. ***This changes RRS A4 and A5.***
- 11.4 Fleets shall start the first scheduled race in the order shown in Addendum B. Any subsequent races will be started no less than five minutes after that fleet has finished a race. The race committee will alert boats prior to the warning signal for subsequent starts via the designated VHF channel and/or with short, rapid sound signals to draw the competitor’s attention. [NP] Errors and omissions in the sound signals or the announcement are not grounds for a request for redress. ***This changes RRS 62.1(a).***
- 11.5 The race committee may elect to combine fleets for a start and will signal combined starts by displaying both class flags simultaneously.
- 11.6 Change of First Mark at the Start - When signal flag C is displayed on the signal boat at or before the warning signal with repetitive sounds, Mark 1 will be a new mark as defined in instruction 9.2 and revised bearing and distances will be displayed. Code Flag C will remain displayed through the starting sequence. If there is a subsequent change and the new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark. ***This changes RRS 27.1 and 33.***



12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 12.2 Offset marks, if used as provided in instruction 8.5, will not be set on a changed leg of the course.
- 12.3 [NP] The race committee may broadcast a change on the designated VHF channel as a courtesy. Errors and omissions in courtesy broadcasts are not grounds for a request for redress. ***This changes RRS 62.1(a).***
- 12.4 The race committee may change the course by five degrees or less without signaling. The changed leg change will continue to use the active mark. ***This changes RRS 33(a).***

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of the finishing mark to be left to port.
- 13.2 Flag A displayed, with no sound, while boats are finishing means “No more racing today.”

14 TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 The race time limit for all fleets will be two hours. The mark 1 time limit for each fleet will be 45 minutes.
- 14.2 If no boat has passed mark 1 within the mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned for that class.
- 14.3 Boats failing to finish within thirty minutes after the first boat in their fleet sails the course and finishes will be scored ‘Did Not Finish’ (DNF) and scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that did finish the race without a hearing. ***This changes RRS 35, A4.2, A5, and A11.***

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protests and requests for redress shall be filed online from the “owner’s corner” section of the event web site at Yachtscoring.com or in person at the protest desk at Chicago Yacht Club Belmont Station within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2 A boat’s protest time limit is 60 minutes from the docking time of the Signal Boat.
- 15.3 The protest schedule will be posted on the official notice board at Yachtscoring.com.
- 15.4 Protests will be heard in person in a socially distanced manner at Chicago Yacht Club Belmont Station.
- 15.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.
- This changes RRS 62.2 and RRS 66.***
- 15.6 Violations of Section 4 of the Notice of Race are protestable only by the Race Committee. ***This changes rule RRS 60.1.***

16 PENALTY SYSTEM

Appendix T and V1 and the penalty provisions of Section 7 - Check-In/Check-Out will apply.



17 SECTION BREAKS AND SCORING

- 17.1 A boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all Races. No score will be discarded. One completed race will constitute a regatta. ***This changes RRS A2.***
- 17.2 All boats racing in handicap classes will be scored using their LMPHRF general purpose time on time rating. See Notice of Race 6.2
- 17.3 Boats racing in a One-Design class shall be scored without a handicap certificate and be scored by order of its finish. Each boat will be scored by its elapsed time within its class. The lowest elapsed time wins.
- 17.4 In order to be scored, participating boats must make a contribution to one of the Chicago Regatta's three participating charities – the Chicago Yacht Club Foundation, University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital, and SOS Children's Villages Illinois. Donations must be made by 9 AM on Saturday, September 12, 2020 at www.chicagoregatta.com.

18 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as described in the Notice of Race. Prizes will be announced at the Chicago Regatta Celebration of Charities on the evening of Saturday, September 12th, 2020 at approximately 1900 hours. Flags for the distance race and sections racing Saturday only may be picked up from the Chicago Yacht Club Monroe Station Front Desk between Sunday, September 13th and September 30th and will not be available on the day of racing. Flags for the DF65 Race will be awarded after racing at Belmont on Saturday. Flags for Sonars, Etechells, and J/70's will be awarded after racing on Sunday at Belmont Station.

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

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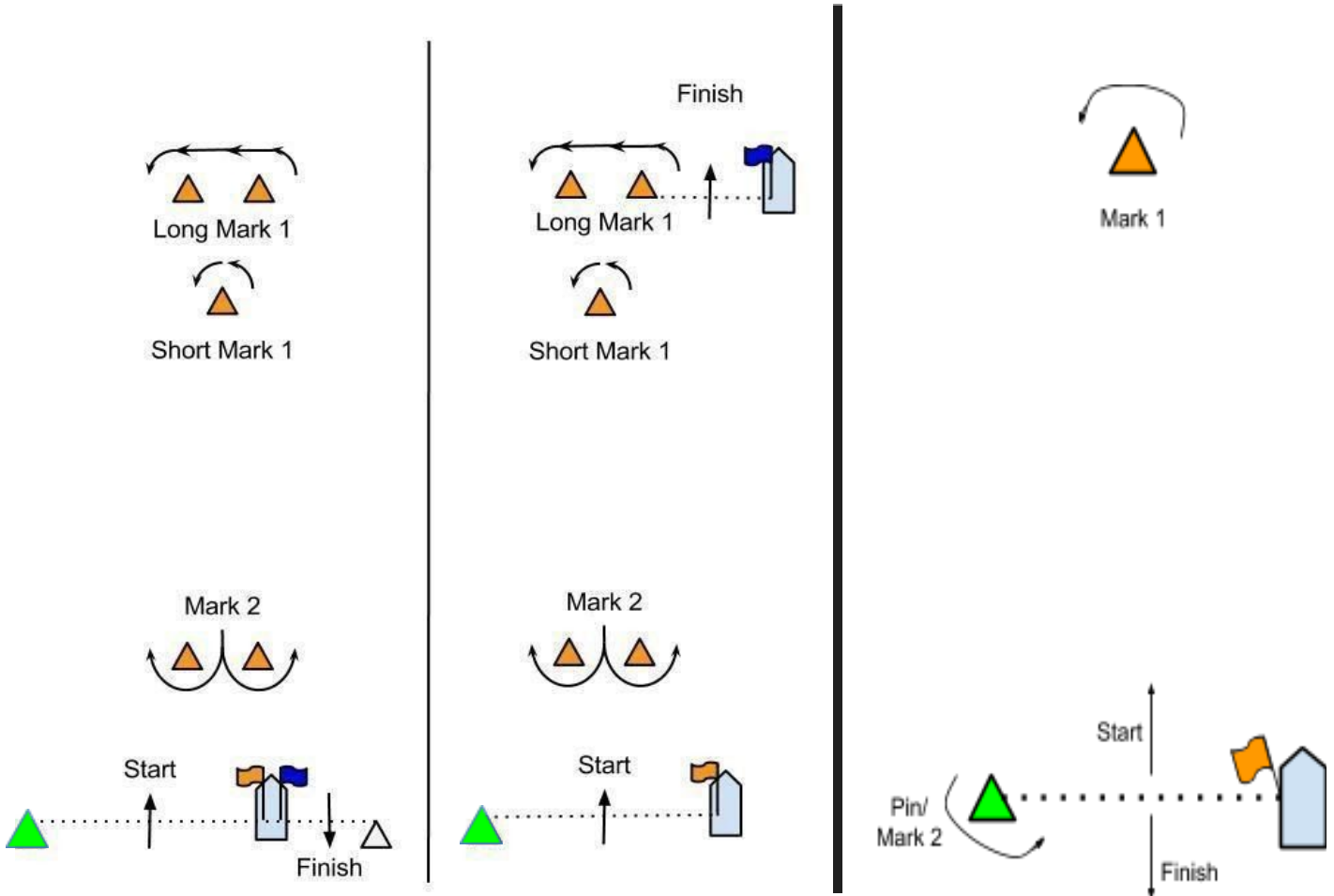
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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

ADDENDUM A

Courses	4 Legs	5 Legs
LL (long, long)	Start - Long Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Long Mark 1 - Finish	Start - Long Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Long Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Finish
LS (long, short)	Start - Long Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Short Mark 1 - Finish	Start - Long Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Short Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Finish
SS (short, short)	Start - Short Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Short Mark 1 - Finish	Start - Short Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Short Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Finish
B-Bravo	Start - Mark 1 - L/Pin - Mark 1 - Finish	





ADDENDUM B

Racing Areas, Class Flags and Initial Starting Sequence Sequence May Change after Race 1 of the Series

Red Circle

Courtesy Broadcasts: Channel 73

The starting area will be approximately two nautical miles east of the Belmont Harbor red nun buoy #9.

Class

J/70

Etchells

T-10

J-24

Sonar

Flag

J/70 Class Flag

Flag E

Code Flag Zero

Code Flag Two

Sonar Class Flag