



NOTICE of RACE

Buoy Course & Distance Course



BUOY COURSE
JUNE 3-4, 2017
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1. RULES

- 1.1. The organizing authority of the Colors Regatta is Columbia Yacht Club of Chicago, IL.
- 1.2. The regatta will be governed by
 - 1.2.1. The rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS)
 - 1.2.2. This Notice of Race (NOR)
 - 1.2.3. The Sailing Instructions (SI's)
 - 1.2.4. The prescriptions of US SAILING except as changed by this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3. The first sentence of rule 63.7 shall be changed to “If there is a conflict between two or more rules that must be resolved before the protest committee makes a decision, the committee shall apply the rule that it believes will provide the fairest result for all boats affected, however in the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.”
- 1.4. For One Design Classes, the rules and regulations of their local class rules shall apply.
- 1.5. Boats competing in one design classes shall meet all class safety regulations.
- 1.6. Boats competing in Lake Michigan Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (LMPHRF) classes shall meet US Coast Guard safety requirements and comply with US Sailing Near Shore safety requirements.



1.7. Alteration of Rules.

The following racing rules are changed. These changes will also appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

- 1.7.1. Rules 35 is changed to “If one boat sails the course as required by rule 28 and finishes within the time limit, if any, all boats that finish shall be scored according to their finishing places unless the race is abandoned. Boats failing to finish within thirty minutes after the first boat in its section finishes shall be scored did not finish. If no boat finishes within the time limit, the race committee shall abandon the race.”
- 1.7.2. The first sentence of RRS A4.2 is changed to “A boat that did not start, did not finish, retired or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place two more than the number of boats entered in their series.”
- 1.7.3. Courtesy broadcasts are not considered to be grounds for Redress according to RRS 62.1(a).
- 1.7.4. The second sentence of Rule 62.2 is changed to “If the request is based on an incident in the racing area, it shall be delivered to the race office within the protest time limit.”
- 1.7.5. Rule A2.1 is changed to “Each boat’s series score shall, subject to rule 90.3(b), be the total of her race scores. The boat with the lowest series score wins and others shall be ranked accordingly.”
- 1.7.6. US Sailing prescriptions 60, 63.2, and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.7.7. US Sailing Appendix T applies with T1(b) Post-Race Penalty is changed, from 30% to 40%.

2. FLEETS AND CLASSES RACING.

The following fleets are invited to participate in this race.

- 2.1. Lake Michigan Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (LMPHRF) which uses the LMPHRF rating system. The fleet may be comprised of the following classes.

- 2.1.1. Spinnaker Classes - boats that carry one or more spinnakers as defined in RRS rule 50.4.



2.1.2. Non-Spinnaker Classes – boats that do not carry spinnakers or gennakers.

2.2. One-Design Classes of boats of the same Manufacturer Type. This includes but is not limited to the Viper 640, J/70, T-10, Farr 40, /105, J/109, J/111, FT-10, Beneteau 36.7 and Beneteau 40.7 classes.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1. All boats racing shall have a current, valid Rating Certificate issued by the fleet handicapping authority of the classes within which they are competing.

3.2. LMPHRF boats will initially be divided into four (4) sections with ratings of 19 & below, 21 to 57, 60 to 73, and 74 & above. Final section breaks will be in the Sailing Instructions.

3.3. Notwithstanding any of the above; any group of TWO (2) or more yachts, desiring to race as a separate class, may petition the organizing authority for acceptance as a class. Such petitions must be made no later May 28, 2017.

4. FEES

4.1. Eligible boats shall complete online registration and payment via credit card on www.yachtscoring.com no later than **June 2, 2017**.

4.2. The entry fee is \$135 through April 14, 2017.

4.3. The entry fee is \$160 from April 15, 2017 through June 2, 2017.

4.4. If the Entry is cancelled (withdrawn) prior to June 2, 2017, \$100 will be refunded for the buoy racing classes and \$50 for the distance race. After that date, no refunds will be made.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES AND EVENTS

5.1. Saturday, June 3 1130 Warning signal

1700 Post-race party

5.2. Sunday, June 4 1100 Warning signal

1600 Regatta awards and party



5.3. Three races are scheduled for each day of racing (Saturday and Sunday). However, it is the intent of the Race Committee to complete as many races as practical each day.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.

6.1. Sailing Instructions will be available online at www.yachtscoring.com before 0800 on June 3rd, 2017.

7. REGATTA VENUE AND COURSES

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

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

8. SCORING

8.1. One race completed will constitute a series.

9. SOCIAL

9.1. Saturday, June 3: COLORS Fiesta buffet, beer, live music all included on the Aft Deck.

9.2. Sunday, June 4: Awards party, beer included and a la carte food

10. DOCKING

10.1. There will be a limited amount of complimentary dockage available at Columbia Yacht Club from 1500 hours Thursday, June 1 through Sunday, June 4. This dockage will be in a side tie configuration with other boats rafted alongside at least 2-3 deep.

10.2. Non-resident boats that are participating in the NOOD regatta will be offered a 50% discount on dockage fees through June 13.

11. PRIZES

11.1. There shall be prizes for the top three finishers in each section. For fleets with fewer than four boats, only the first place overall finisher will be awarded a prize.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

12.1. 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

13.1. 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

Organizing Club:

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**DISTANCE COURSE
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1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* 2017-2020 (RRS), the prescriptions of US SAILING, except as 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. Boats shall meet US Coast Guard safety requirements and comply with World Sailing Category 4.
- 1.4. Alteration of Rules.

The following racing rules are changed. These changes will also appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

- 1.4.1. Rule 62.1(a) Requests for redress concerning courtesy broadcasts are not allowed.
- 1.4.2. US Sailing prescriptions 60, 63.2b, c, and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.4.3. US Sailing prescriptions Appendix T1 will apply.
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 - 2.1.1. Spinnaker Classes – boats that carry one or more spinnakers as defined in RRS rule 50.4.
 - 2.1.2. Cruising Class – boats that comply with the following:
 - 2.1.2.1. Columbia Yacht Club shall have the authority to determine the suitability of any boat for entry into the Cruising Classes.
 - 2.1.2.2. Boats shall be limited to carrying two roller furling headsails. A whisker pole may be used to wing out the headsail. Required heavy weather sails are in addition to and exempt from the roller furling requirements.
 - 2.1.2.3. Boats may not use a spinnaker pole to tack a spinnaker pole. Boats shall be limited to carrying two asymmetrical spinnakers. The Tack Point of Spinnaker (“TPS”) shall be attached at the centerline of the boat at the stem or on a bowsprit. In no event shall TPS exceed 125% of “J”.
 - 2.1.2.4. Power-driven winches and mechanical and electro-mechanical steering devices are permitted. This changes RRS 52.
 - 2.1.3. Non-Spinnaker Classes – boats that do not carry spinnakers or gennakers.
 - 2.1.4. Double-Handed boats will race in their assigned class, but scored against each other. Double-handed boats shall have only two persons on-board.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. All boats racing shall have a current LMPHRF rating certificate.

4. FEES

- 4.1. Eligible boats shall complete online registration and payment via credit card on www.yachtscoring.com not later than **June 1, 2017**.
- 4.2. The entry fee is \$55 through April 14, 2017.
- 4.3. The entry fee is \$75 from April 15, 2017 through June 1, 2017.



11.1. There shall be prizes for the top three finishers in each section. For fleets with fewer than four boats, only the first place overall finisher will be awarded a prize.

11.2. Prizes will be awarded after racing at the COLORS Fiesta on the Aft Deck.

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