



2017 NOTICE OF RACES

DISTANCE RACES

This Notice of Races provides basic information about the Chicago Area Sail Racing Association's Distance Races ("Races"). These Races are designed to provide outstanding competition for boats wishing to race medium and long distances. Please join us for fun and competition on the lakefront this summer!

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY AND DATES

The Organizing Authorities for the Races will be the Burnham Park Yacht Club ("BPYC"), the Chicago Yacht Club ("CYC"), the Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club ("CCYC"), the Columbia Yacht Club ("COLYC"), the Jackson Park Yacht Club ("JPYC"); the Michigan City Yacht Club ("MCYC") and the Waukegan Yacht Club ("WYC"). The Organizing Authorities for these Races are as follows:

Date	Race	Organizing Authority
Saturday, May 27	Spring Opener Distance Race	CCYC
Saturday, June 17	Chicago to Waukegan	CCYC/WYC
Sunday, June 18	Waukegan to Chicago	CCYC/WYC
Sunday, June 24	Abe Jacobs Regatta Distance Race	BPYC
Friday, June 30	Chicago to Michigan City and Return	COLYC
Saturday, July 8	Lutz Regatta Distance Race	JPYC
Saturday, July 29	Gold Star Regatta Distance Race	JPYC
Sunday, August 27	Hobelman Regatta Distance Race	CCYC
Friday, September 1	Tri-State: Chicago to St. Joseph	COLYC
Sunday, September 3	Bi-State: St. Joseph to Chicago	JPYC
Sunday, September 3	Tri-State: St. Joseph to Michigan City	JPYC/MCYC
Monday, September 4	Tri-State: Michigan City to Chicago	JPYC
Saturday, September 9	Chicago Regatta Distance Race	CYC
Saturday, September 16	Sheldon Clark Regatta Distance Race	CYC
Saturday, September 30	Herb Kaczmarek Distance Race	CCYC
Sunday, October 1	Fall Closer Distance Race	JPYC

NOTE: CASRA clubs will sponsor other distance racing events in Chicago, including the Colors Regatta, the NOOD Regatta, the Chicago Yacht Club Race to Mackinac, the Columbia Cup, and the Verve Cup. These events will have separate registration portals and race documents.

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2. RULES

These Races will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2017-2020 edition, as adopted by U.S. Sailing ("RRS"). In case of conflict between this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will prevail. This changes RRS 63.7. The notification requirement of RRS 61 and 63 are satisfied for filed protests by uploading pending protests to each Race's website, accessible via www.chicagosailracing.org.

3. ADVERTISING

Any advertising proposed to be carried by a boat must be described in the Entry Form. Advertising deemed by Organizing Authorities not to be compliant with World Sailing Regulation 20 may be rejected. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supported by Organizing Authorities.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. These Races are open to all boats of at least 25 feet length overall. Boats must carry safety equipment in conformance with the CASRA Safety Regulations. Specifically, boats must comply with CASRA Nearshore Safety Regulations for all Races, except for the Chicago to Waukegan Race, the Waukegan to Chicago Race, the Chicago to Michigan City and Return, and all of the Bi-State and Tri-State Races, which require boats to comply with CASRA Offshore Safety Regulations.
- 4.2 Boats must sail with at least four crew members for each Race.
- 4.3. Boats may enter these Races by completing the Entry Form available on each Race's webpage, accessible via www.chicagosailracing.org. In order to participate in one or more of the Races, it must complete its entry, including payment of applicable entry fees, no later than 72 hours prior to that Race's start time.
- 4.4. One-design classes will be offered for each of the Races, provided that: 1) each one-design class requests a one-design section via an e-mail by the class's designated representative directed to chicagosailracing@gmail.com no later than May 1, 2017; and 2) at least four boats from that class enter that race no later than one week prior to the Race's start date.
- 4.4. For each Race, the Race Committee will provide separate sections for multihull and "jib and main" entrants.

5. FEES

The entry fee for each Race is \$50. All entry fees are non-refundable.

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6. SCHEDULE

Initial warning signals for each Race are scheduled as follows:

- Spring Opener Distance Race: 1030 hours
- Chicago to Waukegan: 0900 hours
- Waukegan to Chicago: 0900 hours
- Abe Jacobs Regatta: 1030 hours
- Chicago to Michigan City and Return: 1930 hours
- Lutz Regatta Distance Race: 1030 hours
- Gold Star Regatta Distance Race: 1030 hours
- Hobelman Regatta Distance Race: 1030 hours
- Tri-State: Chicago to St. Joseph: 1830 hours
- Bi-State: St. Joseph to Chicago: 0800 hours
- Tri-State: St. Joseph to Michigan City: 0930 hours
- Tri-State: Michigan City to Chicago: 0900 hours
- Chicago Regatta Distance Race: 1030 hours
- Sheldon Clark Regatta Distance Race: 1030 hours
- Herb Kaczmarek Distance Race: 1030 hours
- Fall Closer Distance Race: 1030 hours

7. MEASUREMENT AND RATINGS

- 7.1. All boats competing in these Races must have a valid 2017 LMPHRF certificate, and race in full compliance with that certificate. All Race will be scored using each boat's LMPHRF general purpose time on time rating.
- 7.2. Boats racing in one-design classes offered by the Organizing Authorities are exempt from the requirement in Section 7.1. Such boats must comply with the following rules:
 - 7.2.1. T-10s must comply with the rules of the National T-10 Association and the local rules of Fleet Number 2. In the event of a discrepancy between the two, the latter shall control.
 - 7.2.2. Beneteau 36.7s must comply with the Beneteau First 36.7 North American One-Design Class Roles and the local rules of the Beneteau First 36.7 Lake Michigan Fleet.
 - 7.2.3. Beneteau 40.7s must comply with Beneteau First 40.7 North American One Design Class Rules.
 - 7.2.4. Farr 40s must comply with Farr 40 One Design Class Rules.
 - 7.2.5. J-105s must comply with J-105 Class Association Rules.
 - 7.2.6. J-109s must comply with J-109 Class Rules.

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8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions provide additional details concerning the conduct of each race. General Sailing Instructions for the series will be available by May 24, 2017 at www.chicagosailracing.org. Organizing Authorities may issue Special Sailing Instructions for each event, and will make them available at www.chicagosailracing.org and e-mail them to all entrants of record at the time of publication.

9. VENUE AND COURSES

The venue for these races will be the waters of Lake Michigan, with specific starting areas outlined in the Sailing Instructions.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

Penalties will be assessed as per the Sailing Instructions.

11. SCORING

Each Race will be scored individually and independently. Section breaks will be set by each Organizing Authority, and be transmitted to competitors by 1200 hours Thursday prior to each weekend's race(s).

12. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

13. DOCKING

To the extent possible, Organizing Authorities will make docking available to entered boats. Availability of docking for post-race parties and docking instructions will be outlined in Special Sailing Instructions for each race.

14. PRIZES

For each Race, prizes will be given as follows:

- 0-2 starters in a section: No prizes
- 3-4 starters in a section: 1 prize
- 5-6 starters in a section: 2 prizes
- 7-14 starters in a section: 3 prizes
- 15-19 starters in a section: 4 prizes
- 20 or more starters in a section: 5 prizes

Organizing Authorities may award additional prizes at their discretion.

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15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authorities 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.

16. INSURANCE

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

17. PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission for any photographs or video footage taken of themselves or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever for editorial, commercial purposes, or to be used in press information.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

Visit www.chicagosailracing.org for additional information.

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