



**Verve Inshore Regatta  
Etchells Great Lakes Championship  
Chicago Yacht Club  
August 25-26, 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 Class rules prohibiting the use of marine band radios and cellular telephones will not apply. All keelboats 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.
- 1.3 Class rules prohibiting GPS navigation devices will not apply. The following conditions will 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 will 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 Etchells class rule C.5.1(b) and Shields class rule 10.9.

**2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 2.1 The Verve Inshore Regatta is open to boats of the Etchells, Laser, Luders 16, Shields and Vanguard 15 classes. The Etchells Great Lakes Championship is open to boats of the Etchells class.
- 2.2 The Verve Inshore Regatta is open to boats of the Rhodes 19, Melges 24, J/24, Soling, and additional one-design classes provided that at least five (5) boats in each respective class enter prior to the entry deadline.
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter by submitting a completed entry form, together with any required fee, to Chicago Yacht Club prior to the first race in which the boat is entered. Entries will be accepted at the event website at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com).
- 2.4 The entry deadline is 1700 on August 17.

**3 FEES**

The entry fee is \$75, except that the entry fee for Etchells is \$100.

**4 SCHEDULE AND VENUE**

- 4.1 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1030.
- 4.2 For keelboat classes only, up to four races for each class will be sailed each day. For centerboard classes, up to nine races for each class will be sailed each day.
- 4.3 No warning signal will be made after 1330 on Sunday, August 26.
- 4.4 A competitors meeting will be held at 0800 on Saturday, August 25 at Chicago Yacht Club Belmont Station.

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

**5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing instructions will be available prior to racing on the Chicago Yacht Club website, on the event website at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) and on the official notice board at the Chicago Yacht Club Belmont Station.

**6 SCORING**

A boat's score will be the total of her race scores and no race will be excluded. This changes rule A2.

**7 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

**8 PRIZES**

8.1 Prizes will be given to the top three boats in each section for the Verve Inshore Regatta.

8.2 Prizes will be given to the top three boats for the Etchells Great Lakes Championship.

**9 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, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the regatta.