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2023 REGATTA SERIES

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<https://www.sailingworld.com/regatta-series/>

The 2023 Helly Hansen Sailing World Regatta Series (HHSWRS) includes: St. Petersburg (Feb 17-19), San Diego (March 17-19), Annapolis (May 5-7), Chicago (June 9-11), and Marblehead (July 27-30).

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority (OA) for this regatta is Sailing World in cooperation with the Chicago Yacht Club (CYC).

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in this Notice of Race means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 All US One Design Class Rules apply with the following exceptions:

- (a) For the J/70 Class: Class Rules Part III Sections I.3 (Support Boat) and I.4 (Corinthian Division) will apply. [DP]
- (b) For the J/111 Class: Class Rule J.3 applies.

1.3 The Local Rules of any one-design class will not apply.

1.4 The rules of Midwest PHRF (MWPHRF) will apply for MWPHRF handicap sections. The rules of the Offshore Racing Congress (ORC) will apply for ORC handicap sections.

1.5 The US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 shall not apply.

1.6 Competitor boats shall not fly drones, which includes support boats. [DP]

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board immediately prior to the event.

2.2 Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the race website. It is the responsibility of each competitor to check the Official Notice Board for any amendments or notices.

2.3 Separate Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available for the Distance Race, ILCA/Laser, Adaptive and DragonForce Racing Lines.

2.4 Class breaks will be published as an Addendum to the SI.

3. COMMUNICATION

3.1 The online Official Notice Board is located on the Regatta Series page of the Yacht Scoring website: https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board_summary.cfm?eid=15508.

3.2 All boats, except those racing on the ILCA/Laser and DragonForce Lines, shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US channels. This may change a class rule. [DP]

3.3 Class rules prohibiting the use of marine band radios will not apply. [DP]

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3.4 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs. Failure to hear such broadcasts or the order in which they are read shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS62.1.

3.5 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The following boats are eligible to enter: a) a one-design class association whose class is invited b) ORC or MWPHRF (buoy), or c) ORC or MWPHRF (distance). A minimum of six paid entries is required for a class to remain eligible for a one-design or rated start. The deadline for classes to form is May 22. The OA reserves the right to modify the minimum number of entries in a class or combine classes with less than the eligible number of entries at its sole discretion.

4.2 Invited one design classes: Beneteau 36.7, Beneteau 40.7, Etchells, Farr 40, GL70, GL52, J/70, J/24, J/105, J/109, J/111, J/88, ILCA/Lasers, L30, Level 35, Melges 15, Melges 24, Rhodes 19, Shields, Sonars, Tartan Ten, Tom28, and Viper 640. The OA reserves the right to invite additional classes at its sole discretion. Other classes that want to participate should contact the OA by email to regattas@sailingworld.com.

4.2 The regatta is also open to any boat of 25 feet LOA or greater that holds either a current ORC certificate or a MWPHRF certificate. A boat sailing under ORC or MWPHRF shall be assigned to a division and section according to rating and other factors at the discretion of the organizing authority. All decisions of the OA regarding section assignments shall be final. Handicap division boats are responsible for providing their own section flags to be flown off their backstay while racing which will be numeral pennants.

4.3 Due to the number of classes anticipated at this event, classes may be started together but scored separately.

4.4 The Distance Racing division (Saturday and Sunday only) is open to Spinnaker or Non-Spinnaker boats of 25 feet LOA or greater that holds a valid ORC or MWPHRF Certificate.

4.5 The Owner and/or Skipper of an eligible one design class must be a current valid member of their one design class. The OA encourages all Owners, Skippers, and Crew to be a current member of their National Governing Body (US Sailing for USA members; to join, visit www.ussailing.org).

4.6 Entries shall be completed online at <https://www.sailingworld.com/regatta-series-chicago/>

4.7 Fees for new and incomplete entries after May 22 will increase by \$75.00, this includes any unpaid entries.

4.8 A representative of each eligible boat shall check in with race management in person at the Chicago Yacht Club Monroe Station during the allotted registration time.

4.9 Crew lists and waivers of liability must be submitted online by the close of registration on Thursday, June 8. In order to complete the waiver online, skippers will need to complete the Crew List in the "Owner's Corner". Subsequently, individual crew members will be notified by email of their boat's entry and those crew members must follow up when notified in order to complete the waiver. A boat's registration will not be considered final without a completed waiver from each participating crew member. A boat will not be scored without completing ALL registration requirements.

4.10 In the event of a crew member substitution during the regatta, the new crew member must submit a signed waiver of liability online prior to racing on that boat.

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4.11 For entries to be considered valid, all registration items must be completed, including but not limited to crew waiver submission, paid fees, rating certificates submitted, etc. All incomplete registrations will be considered withdrawn from the regatta if incomplete on or after 1900 on Thursday, June 8.

| REGISTRATION DETAIL | DATE | LINK |
|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Early Entry Opens for All Classes | February 28th | https://www.sailingworld.com/regatta-series-chicago/ |
| Call for One Design Class Formation (6 boat minimum) | By 2359hrs on May 22 | |
| Last call for Early Bird Entry Discount - All Classes | By 2359hrs on May 22 | |
| Online Registration Closes | At 2359hrs on June 7 | Email late entry requests to regattas@sailingworld.com |
| All Race Check-in | 1700 - 1900 on June 8 | Chicago Yacht Club Monroe Station |
| Distance Race Check-in | 0730 - 0900 on June 10 | Chicago Yacht Club Monroe Station |

5. FEES

5.1 The entry fee will be based on the LOA as follows:

| LOA | Early Entry Fees | Entry Fees after 5/22/23 |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| Single-handed | \$125 | \$200 |
| Adaptive | \$175 | \$250 |
| Up to 24' | \$250 | \$325 |
| 25' - 30' | \$300 | \$375 |
| 31' - 39' | \$325 | \$400 |
| 40' - over | \$350 | \$425 |
| Distance Race (2-Day) | \$150 | \$225 |
| Remote Control (Sat) | \$20 | n/a |

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5.2 The entry fee includes the costs for race management, access to CYC, race facilities, and docking from Thursday, June 8 - Sunday, June 11. Email Chicago Yacht Club directly with docking requests - dockmaster@chicagoyachtclub.org.

5.3 Entries may be accepted solely at the discretion of the OA. An entry is not valid until the entry form and fees are accepted by the organizing authority. To withdraw your entry, please email regattas@sailingworld.com no later than Monday, June 5. In the event that the regatta is canceled, all entry fees will be credited in full.

5.4 Social event fees are separate from entry fees; sailors, members, and their guests are welcome. It is the intent of the OA to host a two-hour Happy Hour post racing on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at the Chicago Yacht Club Monroe Station. Weekend Social Passes may be purchased in advance on the race website <https://www.sailingworld.com/regatta-series-chicago/>.

6. ADVERTISING

6.1 Boats are urged to refrain from displaying advertisements for businesses or products competing with those of the primary and support sponsors of the event.

6.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA, e.g., bow stickers, bow numbers, boom stickers, and/or flags.

6.3 At the discretion of the OA, bow numbers may also be required for some classes.

7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

7.1 As many races will be sailed as are viable on each scheduled day of racing.

7.2 The first warning signal is scheduled for 1055 each day for buoy racing. The first warning signal is scheduled for 1055 each day for distance racing.

7.3 No warning signal will be made after 1500 on Sunday, June 11.

8. MEASUREMENT/WEIGH-IN

8.1 A boat in a handicap section shall submit a valid rating certificate no later than June 1.

8.2 Measurement is not required, but each boat shall submit proof of holding a valid measurement certificate at registration if required by her class.

8.3 Neither the OA nor CYC shall be responsible for conducting or administrating weigh-ins or measurements. Local or national class association representatives shall be responsible for conducting weigh-ins and/or measurement if needed.

9. VENUE

Racing will take place in the open waters of Lake Michigan in the vicinity of the Chicago lakefront. Specific locations will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.

10. COURSES

Courses will be windward/leeward, triangle, or a variation of these point to point utilizing government marks. The number of racing areas, specific locations, and courses to be sailed will be provided in the Sailing Instructions. Class/Racing area assignments are subject to entries received.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 RRS Appendix T- ARBITRATION will apply.

11.2 US Sailing Prescription Appendix V1 - PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT will apply.

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12. SCORING

12.1 Each boat's series score will be the sum of her scores for all races with no race scores excluded. One race will constitute a series. ***This changes RRS A2.1.***

12.2 Boats entered under MWPHRF will be scored using time-on-time (TOT) scoring. Boats entered under ORC will be scored using time-on-time (TOT) 5-Band. All other boats will be scored without handicap.

13. BERTHING

Boats from out of town will need to arrange for docking with the Chicago Yacht Club dockmaster. The CYC Dockmaster can be contacted at dockmaster@chicagoyachtclub.org to arrange for docking.

14. RISK STATEMENT

14.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue *racing* is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. The OA and CYC 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.

14.2 The Skipper/Owner of each boat participating in the regatta shall be responsible for the behavior of each member of the crew of his/her boat both on the water and while ashore. The destruction of property, the breach of reasonable standards of good sportsmanship by any crew member, or any other person associated with the boat, or the failure of any of those persons to comply with the state and local laws, guidelines and recommendations as well as the host club's restrictions or with any reasonable request of the Organizing Authorities, Race Officers, Regatta Committee members, or their representatives, may result in the disqualification of the boat, and its exclusion from the regatta.

14.3 It is the skipper's obligation to ensure that each crew member's waiver is reflected on the waiver list prior to closing of on-site registration and check-in.

15. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$500,000 per incident or the equivalent. Competitors shall be prepared to supply proof of insurance upon request by the OA.

16. PRIZES

16.1 Prizes will be awarded, after racing on Sunday, to the top-three finishers of each qualifying class.

16.2 Boats in classes participating in three or more events of the Series will qualify for Sailing World Regatta Series Champion award, which will be based on cumulative race scores from three events.

16.3 Each class winner is eligible for the 2023 Helly Hansen Sailing World Regatta Series Championship. The designated Challenger will be drawn at the conclusion of the event from the class winners.

16.4 Additional prizes may be awarded to the top Junior Team (under 21 years of age), and top Mixed Plus Team (50% + female) to the any one-design class with a minimum of 12 boats registered.

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17. PHOTOGRAPHERS AND TV RIGHTS

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

18. ENVIRONMENTAL

The Regatta Series strives to support sustainable sailing and works with Sailors for the Sea - Silver Level certified Clean Regatta. The Regatta Series partners with Sea Bags for sail collection, and Line Collection to reuse and upcycle sailing equipment. Please bring your reusable water bottles, consider car-pooling and using bike share programs, and provision your boat with limited no single-use plastics. Visit www.sailorsforthesea.org to learn more.

19. REGATTA CONTACT

For further information please contact:

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