



Helly Hansen Sailing World Regatta Chicago
June 7-9, 2024
Chicago Yacht Club
Chicago, IL

DISTANCE RACE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing World is the Organizing Authority (OA) for this regatta. The Chicago Yacht Club (CYC) is the host club and will provide race management.

The notation '[NP]' in the rule in these Sailing Instructions means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

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

1.2 Per RRS 42.3 (i), a competitor may use their engine or other method to propel themselves to avoid impeding or interfering with commercial vessel traffic that is underway, provided that competitor does not gain a significant advantage. Any use of the boat's engine is to be reported in writing to the race committee. [DP]

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

1.4 ORC rule or Midwest PHRF (MWPHRF) will apply for handicap classes.

1.5 If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race (NOR) and these Sailing Instructions (SIs), the SIs will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

1.6 [NP] Errors and omissions in courtesy broadcasts or communications are not grounds for a request for redress. ***This changes RRS 62.1(a).***

1.7 Boats shall not fly drones while racing or in the racing area. [DP]

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the race website.

2.2 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted:

- a) Before 0900 on the day it will take effect or by 2000 on the day before a schedule change will take effect.
- b) In the event of AP posted ashore, no later than 15 minutes before AP is lowered ashore.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

3.1 The Official Notice Board is located online at

<https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16262>

3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US channels. This may change a class rule. Some classes may request an exemption to this requirement.

3.3 Notices to competitors 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.

3.4 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The courtesy VHF broadcast channels will be CH 78.

3.4 [NP] 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.



3.5 [DP] Check-In: All boats shall check-in with their respective race committee signal boat by motoring or sailing on starboard tack, by the stern of the signal boat and announcing their sail or bow number until acknowledged by the race committee.

4. ADVERTISING

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

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

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

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the main flagpole located northeast corner of the Monroe Station clubhouse.

5.2 When the AP flag is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 75 minutes' in the Race Signals AP.

5.3 [NP] As a courtesy, the signal may also be displayed on the flagpole at Belmont Station.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

There will be one race per day Saturday June 8 and Sunday June 9. The first warning will be at 1055.

7. CLASS FLAGS

7.1 Class breaks, description of Warning signals, and starting order will be distributed at registration.

8. STARTING AREA

The diagram contained in Addendum A provides the approximate starting location. The starting area is located approximately 0.90 nautical miles at a heading of 130° from Chicago Harbor Light (LL 19960). The approximate coordinates are 41° 52.90' North and 87° 34.00' West.

9. THE COURSE

9.1 The Distance Race Addendum A shows the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course letter.

10. THE START

10.1 Races will be started using RRS 26

10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

10.3 The race committee may combine classes for a start.

10.4 [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. The starting area is defined as the area extending approximately 150 feet to windward and to leeward of the starting line and 150 feet to either end.

10.5 The race committee will attempt to hail on VHF 78 any boats that are OCS.

10.6 A boat starting later than eight minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.



11. THE FINISH

The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat and the course side of the finishing mark. Boats finishing shall pass from east to west across the finish line leaving the signal boat to starboard. The finishing area will be the same as the starting area.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1 RRS Appendix T- ARBITRATION will apply.

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

13. TIME LIMITS

The time limit will be 1600. If there is a postponement before the first warning signal, the time limit will be extended by the duration of that postponement, but not to exceed one hour.

14. HEARING REQUESTS

14.1 A boat's protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee finish boat for her circle docks. The time will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

14.2 Protests, requests for redress, and requests to reopen a hearing shall be delivered to the protest desk at Monroe Station in person, or via the Owners Corner on the Yacht Scoring event website, within the appropriate time limit.

14.3 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered

a) Within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;

b) No later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rules 62.2 and 66.

14.4 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

14.5 Protests will be heard at Chicago Yacht Club Monroe Station in person. The Hearing schedule will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

15. SCORING

15.1 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.

15.2 Boats in MWPHRF handicap division will be scored with times adjusted for current MWPHRF handicaps using Time on Time (TOT) using the following formula: $DHCP\ ToT = 650 / (550 + MWPHRF\ ToD\ DHCP\ Rating)$.

15.3 Corrected times for ORC classes will be calculated using Time-on-Time (TOT) All Purpose 5 Band. The race committee will assign the appropriate wind band & course type prior to scoring. The decision on the scoring parameters used for the race including course details and wind details shall not be grounds for a request for redress by the boat. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

15.4 Boats to be scored TLE and not thereafter retiring, being penalized, or given redress will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two points by the race committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.1, A4.2 and A5.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

[DP] A boat intending to withdraw from racing shall attempt to notify any race committee vessel, by hail or VHF Ch 78, of her withdrawal before leaving the race area.



17. REPLACEMENT OF CREW

A completed waiver form shall be submitted online for any substitute crew member prior to that crew member racing.

18. SUPPORT BOATS

18.1 Sailing World Media boats shall be considered obstructions on the race course.

18.2 [DP] Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

19. PRIZES

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

20. PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO 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.

21. RISK STATEMENT, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, WAIVERS, PERSONAL CONDUCT

21.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3 Decision to Race and RRS 4, Acceptance of the Rules. 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.

21.2 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 Authority, Race Officers, Regatta Committee members, or their representatives, may result in the disqualification of the boat, and its exclusion from the regatta.

21.3 It is the skipper's obligation to ensure that each crew member's waiver is completed on Yacht Scoring by 1900 Thursday, June 6.

22. ENVIRONMENTAL

All SWRS events serve as collection points for sails and lines to repurpose. Bring your old lines and sails to the regatta to upcycle and give new purpose; Chicago Yacht Club near the Helly Hansen – Team One Newport Shop will serve as the collection point at this event.

The Regatta Series is continuing to work with Sailors for the Sea Powered by Oceana to maintain Silver Level certified Clean Regatta. Please bring your reusable water bottles, consider car-pooling, utilizing bike-shares, and limit provisioning your boat with single-use plastics.

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