



Star North American Championships
Chicago Yacht Club Belmont Station
September 28- October 2, 2016

NOTICE OF RACE

1 Rules

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the rules of the International Star Class Yacht Racing Association (STCR). The Organizing Authority is the Chicago Yacht Club in conjunction with the International Star Class Yacht Racing Association (ISCYRA). The host fleet is Chicago Harbor.
- 1.2 RRS Appendix P will apply.
- 1.3 Addendum B states the US Sailing Prescriptions that will apply.
- 1.4 RRS 32 will be changed to provide that courses will not be shortened.
- 1.5 RRS 33b will not apply.
- 1.6 RRS 35 will be changed to provide that boats not finishing within 60 minutes after the first boat to finish will be scored "Did Not Finish" without a hearing.
- 1.7 RRS 62.2 and 66 will be changed to shorten the time for requesting redress and the requesting that a hearing be reopened on the last day of racing.
- 1.8 RRS A4.2 and A5 will be changed to provide that a boat failing to check-in prior to the warning signal will be scored the same as a boat not starting in that race without a hearing.
- 1.9 STCR 31.2.6 may be modified to allow boats to carry VHF radios for purposes of safety and for receiving information from the Race Committee while on the water, including notification of OCS boats after the start.

2 Advertising

Boats may be required to display Event Advertising on the forward part of the hull.

3 Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 Entries eligible in accordance with STCR 21, 26, 29 and 30 may compete. Qualifications are Log plus infinity.
- 3.2 Entries shall be submitted on the Official Online Entry Form <https://starclass.net/login/> no later than Sept 7, 2016, to the ISCYRA Central Office (organizing authority).
- 3.3 Only skippers and crew eligible to compete under the ISAF Eligibility Code shall be eligible to compete in this regatta.
- 3.4 For the purpose of RRS A Scoring: A competitor is not considered an entry until: (a) All fees are paid and (b) Measurement is completed.

4 Fees

The entry fee of USD \$450.00 includes boat and trailer parking, Star Class fee, launching, hauling, and invitations to social events for skipper and crew. Entry fees are due at time of entry but not later than the entry due date. Entry is payable via credit card on website checkout form, or checks which must be drawn on a United States bank and made payable to ISCYRA and sent to the class office, 914 Bay Ridge Rd, Suite 220, Annapolis, MD 21403. Late entry fees will not be accepted.

5 Schedule

5.1 Registration, Measurement and Crew Weigh-In:

Tuesday	September 27	1000-1730	Belmont Station
Wednesday	September 28	0800-0930	Belmont Station

5.3 Schedule of Races:

Wednesday	September 28	2 races
Thursday	September 29	2 races
Friday	September 30	2 races
Saturday	October 1	1 race, last day of racing

5.4 The schedule time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1100.

6 Measurement

6.1 Measurement will take place at Chicago Yacht Club Belmont Station. Each participating boat shall have a valid Measurement Certificate in the name of the current owner, and Weight Certificate. Only boats that have completed registration, paid all entry fees, and passed the prescribed measurement check procedure by 0930 on September 28, 2016, are entitled to race. The Jury may order that a boat be re-checked during the regatta.

6.2 Crews shall demonstrate compliance with crew weight limits in accordance with STCR 31.1.3 prior to end of measurement.

6.3 Each boat shall display the sail number and national letters as indicated on the Official Entry Form and approved by the Measurer.

6.4 Bow numbers will be assigned and given to each participating boat. They shall be affixed to the hull according to the Sailing Instructions.

7 Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be available Wednesday, September 21, 2016, by 1200.

8 Venue

8.1 The regatta will be held at Chicago Yacht Club Belmont Station, which is located at 300 West Belmont Avenue, east of the intersection of Lake Shore Drive and Belmont Avenue in Chicago, IL.

8.2 Racing will be on Lake Michigan, east of the Belmont Harbor entrance. Addendum A shows the location of the racing area.

9 Courses

Courses will be according to STCR 34.

10 Scoring

The Low Point Scoring System, RRS A, will apply, modified so that a boat's series score will be the total of her races scores with her worst score excluded if more than four (4) races are completed.

11 Berthing

Boats shall be in the water at Belmont Harbor commencing at 0930 on Sept 28, 2016, until the conclusion of racing.

12 Haul-Out Restrictions

The Organizing Authority may impose haul-out restrictions.

13 Team and Private Support Boats

A yacht shall receive no outside assistance from support boats or otherwise once she has left the dock for the day until the finish of the last race of the day, except in the case of emergency and/or towing supplied by the organizer and available to all participants.

14 Prizes

14.1 Perpetual Trophies will be awarded according to STCR 24.

14.2 Series prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first through fifth.

14.3 Grand Master's trophies will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first in the Series for skippers aged 60 or over before the start of the first race. Competitors in the Grand Master's Division will also compete for Series prizes (see 14.2).

14.4 Daily prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first in each race.

15 Disclaimer

The Organizing Authority shall require each competitor to sign a waiver for loss, damage or injury to persons or property occurring in conjunction with the regatta or on the property of Chicago Yacht Club. The Organizing Authority, their members, employees, officers and/or agents shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury that may occur to person or property whether ashore or at sea as a consequence of the participation of any boat.

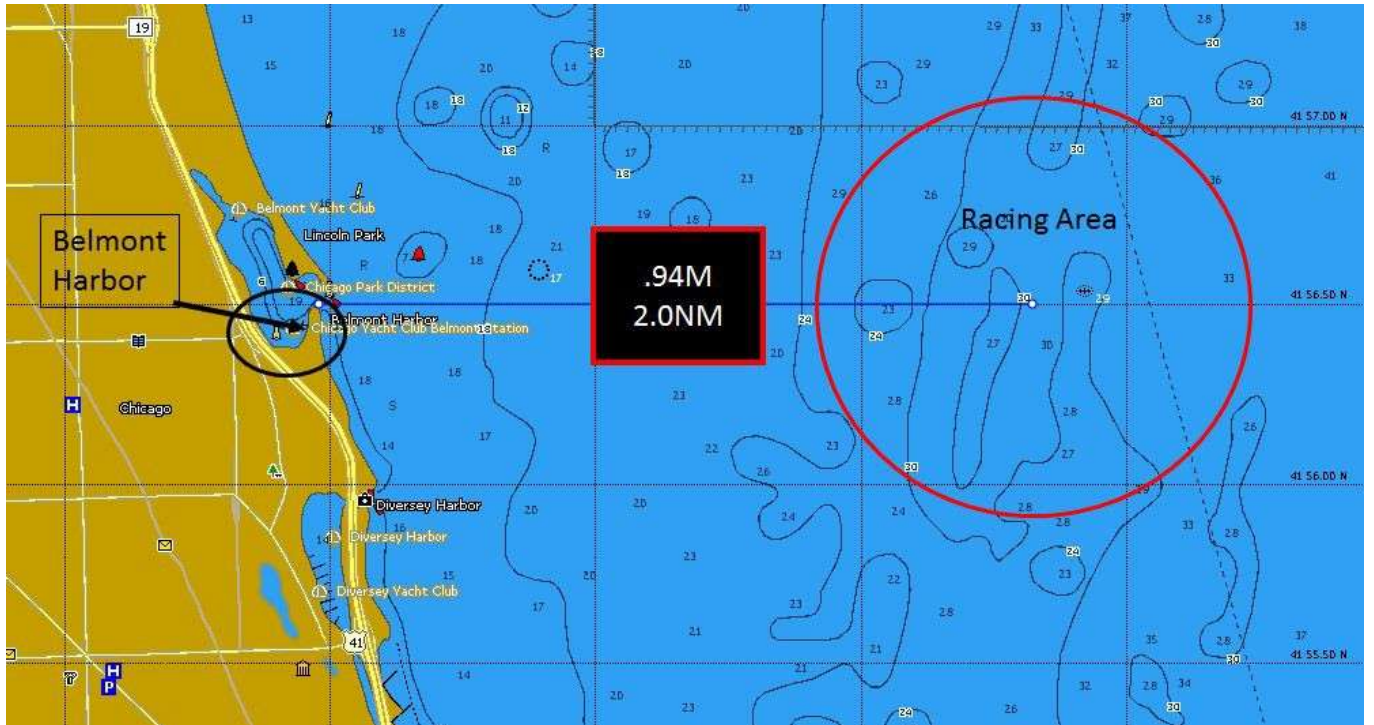
16 Insurance

Boats sailing in this regatta must be insured to \$300,000 against third party liability for racing risks. Proof of insurance may be requested.

17 Information

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NOTICE OF RACE ADDENDUM A



NOTICE OF RACE ADDENDUM B

The following US Sailing Prescriptions will apply:

Rule 67 DAMAGES

US Sailing prescribes that:

- (a) A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.
- (b) A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US Sailing appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.
- (c) A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.

Rule 76.1 EXCLUSION OF BOATS OR COMPETITORS

US Sailing prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.