

# BUOY COURSE JUNE 2-3, 2018 NOTICE OF RACE

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The organizing authority of the Colors Regatta is Columbia Yacht Club of Chicago, IL.
- 1.2 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- 1.2. Boats competing in Lake Michigan Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (LMPHRF) classes shall meet US Coast Guard safety requirements and US Sailing Near Shore safety requirements.
- 1.3. RRS Appendix T applies
- 1.4. US Sailing prescriptions 63.2 and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.5. Alteration of Rules.

The following racing rules are changed. These changes will also appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

- 1.5.1. Boats failing to finish within thirty (30) minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5"
- 1.5.2. Courtesy broadcasts are not considered to be grounds for Redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 1.5.3. Boats failing to finish within thirty (30) minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5

1.5.4. The second sentence of Rule 62.2 is changed to "If the request is based on an incident in the racing area, it shall be delivered to the protest desk within the protest time limit."

#### 2. FLEETS AND CLASSES RACING.

The following fleets are invited to participate in this race.

- 2.1. Lake Michigan Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (LMPHRF). The fleet may be comprised of the following classes.
  - 2.1.1. Spinnaker Classes boats that carry one or more spinnakers as defined in RRS rule 50.4.
  - 2.1.2. Non-Spinnaker Classes boats that do not carry spinnakers or gennakers.
- 2.2. One-Design Classes of boats of the same Manufacturer Type. This includes but is not limited to the Viper 640, Colgate 26, Etchells, J/70, T-10, Farr 40, /105, J/109, J/111, FT-10, Beneteau 36.7 and 40.7 classes.

#### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. All boats racing shall have a current, valid Rating Certificate issued by the fleet handicapping authority of the classes within which they are competing.
- 3.2. LMPHRF boats will initially be divided into four (4) sections with ratings of 19 & below,21 to 57, 60 to 73, and 74 & above. Final section breaks will be in the Sailing Instructions.
- 3.3. Notwithstanding any of the above; any group of TWO (2) or more yachts, desiring to race as a separate class, may petition the organizing authority for acceptance as a class. Such petitions must be made no later May 25, 2018.

#### 4. FEES

- 4.1. Eligible boats shall complete online registration on www.yachtscoring.com no later than **May 31, 2018**.
- 4.2. The entry fee is \$135 through April 15, 2018.
- 4.3. The entry fee is \$160 from April 16, 2018 through June 1, 2018.
- 4.4. If an Entry is cancelled (withdrawn) prior to June 1, 2018, \$100 will be refunded for the buoy racing classes and \$50 for the distance race. After that date, no refunds will be made.

# 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES AND EVENTS

5.1. Saturday, June 2 1130 Warning signal

1700 Post-race party

5.2. Sunday, June 3 1100 Warning signal

1600 Regatta awards and party

5.3. Three races are scheduled for each day of racing (Saturday and Sunday). However, it is the intent of the Race Committee to complete as many races as practical each day.

## 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.

6.1. Sailing Instructions will be available online at www.yachtscoring.com on May 31, 2018.

## 7. REGATTA VENUE AND COURSES

- 7.1. The closed courses to be sailed will be windward-leeward with 2-6 legs. Windward offset marks and leeward gates may be used.
- 7.2. The racing area will be offshore due East of Monroe Street Harbor entrance. The exact location will be in the Sailing Instructions.

# 8. SCORING

- 8.1. One race completed will constitute a series.
- 8.2. Each boat's series score shall, subject to rule 90.3(b), be the total of her race scores. No score will be excluded.

## 9. PRIZES

9.1. There shall be prizes for the top three finishers in each section. For fleets with fewer than four boats, only the first place overall finisher will be awarded a prize.

## 10. DISCLAMER OF LIABILITY

10.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (OA, Race Committee, Protest Committee, sponsors, or any other organization or official) 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. By participating in this race, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

## 11. INSURANCE

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

## 12. FURTHER INFORMATION

Organizing Club: Regatta Chair: On the Water Director

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# **SOCIAL**

Saturday, June 1: COLORS Fiesta buffet, beer, live music all included on the Aft Deck.

Sunday, June 2: Awards party, beer included and a la carte food

## **DOCKING**

There will be a limited amount of complimentary dockage available at Columbia Yacht Club from 1500 hours Thursday, May 31 through Sunday, June 2. This dockage will be in a side tie configuration with other boats rafted alongside at least 2-3 deep.

Non-resident boats that are participating in the NOOD regatta will be offered a 50% discount on dockage fees through June 12.