



**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**  
**Columbia Cup Regatta**  
**August 4, 2018**  
**Distance Race**

**1. RULES**

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), except as these are changed by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. In case of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7
- 1.3. RRS Appendix V will apply.

**2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors and scheduled protests will be posted on Yachtscoring.com under the Columbia Cup entry. Notices will also be posted on the unofficial Racing Notice Board located on the port side of the rail deck on the Columbia Club ship.

**3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change in the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Yachtscoring.com before 0900 CDT on the day it will take effect, except that any changes in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 CDT on the day before it will take effect.

**4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the stern mast of the Club Ship.
- 4.2. When signal flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 75 minutes". This changes Race Signals.

**5. SCHEDULE OF RACES AND EVENTS**

Schedule of races and events is as follows:

Saturday, August 4	1000	First Warning
	1600	Party at Columbia YC for all
	1700	Distance Awards



## 6. SECTION BREAKS

6.1. The Section Breaks are shown in the Table below:

Cruising JAM	Cruising SPIN	Double- Handed	Beneteau 36.7	Beneteau 40.7	PHRF1	PHRF2
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The PHRF handicap section breaks for the Cruising and PHRF sections will be posted not later than Yachtscoring.com at noon on Thursday Aug 2.

6.2. Competitors are advised that classes may be combined in the starting order, but be scored separately.

## 7. RACING AREA and COURSES

- 7.1. The starting area is located approximately .90 nautical miles at a heading of 130° from Chicago Harbor Light (LL 19960). The approximate coordinates are 41° 52.80' North and 87° 34.46 West
- 7.2. Addendum A shows the courses, the order in which marks are to be rounded and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 7.3. No later than the warning signal the race committee signal boat will display the course letter on a course board.
- 7.4. In the event that the Race Committee is not on station at the finish line, finishing yachts shall follow the procedure outlined in the US Sailing prescription to RRS 34 as modified. The last sentence of the US Sailing prescription to RRS 34 is modified to read:

*"If a boat finishes when the race committee is absent, to be scored as finishing she shall,  
1. Note her finishing time. The finish time shall be the GPS CDT time when it passes the finish mark from the course side.  
2. Notify the RC, on Channel 78, of their finish time (GPS CDT time) as soon as practical after finishing or email their finish time to rc@colyc.org".*

## 8. MARKS

The starting mark will be a yellow buoy. The marks of the distance race will be fixed government navigation aids or pumping station cribs. The finish mark will be a white buoy.

## 9. PROHIBITED AREAS

The following areas are prohibited to boats racing: The areas around the pumping stations (cribs) and the marks placed around them by the Coast Guard to establish a perimeter. Boats are prohibited sailing inside of this perimeter.



**10. THE START**

10.1. The starting sequence is as follows:

Sequences	1	2	3	6	7	4	5
	Cruising JAM	Cruising SPIN	Double- Handed	Ben 36.7	Ben 40.7	PHRF1	PHRF2

10.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and a yellow tetrahedron at the port end of the line.

10.3. The Race Committee may set a guard mark attached to the stern of the Signal Boat. A reminder:

Yachts shall not pass between the guard mark and the RC boat, the guard mark if present is considered an extension of the signal boat (RRS Definition of Mark).

**11. RECALLS**

In the event of an individual recall, the sail numbers or identification of any boat or boats that are identified as OCS may be announced on the Race Committee VHF channel 69. Failure of a boat to see or hear her recall notification, and the timing and order of such hails, or the length of time it takes to make a notification on the VHF radio will not be grounds for redress. (This changes *RRS* 29.1 and 62.1 (a).)

**12. THE FINISH**

The Finish Line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee Signal Boat and a white finishing mark.

**13. PENALTY SYSTEM, PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

13.1. The Protest Desk will be located on the raildeck of the CoLYC club ship. Protest forms will be available at the Protest Desk. Protests shall be delivered to the Protest Desk within the protest time limit.

13.2. The Protest Time Limit is sixty (60) minutes after the Race Committee Signal Boat has docked. This changes *RRS* 61.3.

13.3. Notices will be posted near the Protest Desk as soon as possible to inform competitors of hearings in which they are a party or named as witnesses.

13.4. Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under Rule 61.1(b).

13.5 Images from a drone vehicle are not admissible as evidence to a protest or redress hearing.

**14. SCORING**

14.1 The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A, will apply.

14.2 Time-on-time scoring will be utilized.

14.3 Finishing places for boats will be based on their score for this race.



#### **15. TIME LIMITS**

The time limit will be 1600 hrs. Any boats not finishing within the time limit will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired). TLE is scored the same as a DNF. This changes *RRS* 35.

#### **16. WITHDRAWAL**

Boats that retire from the race shall notify the Race Committee before leaving the race course. Boats that cannot communicate with the Race Committee, shall call Columbia Yacht Club at 312-939-3625 (312-WET- DOCK), as soon as possible.

#### **RACE COMMITTEE COURTESY BROADCASTS**

The Race Committee may attempt to report visual signals displayed and other pertinent information over VHF Channel 69 VHF. The Race Committee may change the channel by posting on a signboard on the signal boat prior to the first warning signal of each race. This information is provided as a courtesy to competitors and does not in any way alter their responsibility to observe the Race Committee's visual signals which govern the conduct of the race. Errors or omissions involving such courtesy broadcasts shall not be grounds for redress.

#### **17. DOCKING**

There will be a limited amount of complimentary dockage available at Columbia YC from 1500 hrs, Thursday, August 2 through Sunday, August 5. This dockage will be in a side tie configuration on the East and South (Outer) sides of the dock.

#### **18. PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded to the top three boats in each class with 4 or more entries.

There shall be a prize for the overall winner of the distance race.

#### **19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

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.

#### **20. INSURANCE**

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

# Columbia Cup REGATTA



Addendum A Courses		Light List #	Long	Lat	Mark rounding	
<b>Course A</b>	15.44 miles					
start			41 52.80N	34.46W		
Wilson Ave Crib		20135	41 58.0N	087 35.5W	Mark to Starboard	5.26
CCYC T		white PVC	42 00.12N	87 33.07W	Mark to Starboard	2.79
finish			41 52.80N	34.46W	east to west	7.39
<b>Course B</b>	11.95 miles					
start			41 52.80N	87 34.46W		
Clemson Shoal Lighted Buoy		19910	41 48.40N	87 32.00W	Mark to Starboard	4.73
68th Street Crib light		19870	41 47.2N	87 31.9W	Mark to Port	1.2
Clemson Shoal Lighted Buoy		19910	41 48.40N	87 32.00W	Mark to Port	1.2
Finish			41 52.80N	87 34.46W	east to west	4.7
<b>Course C</b>	23.51 miles					
start			41 52.80N	87 34.46W		
Wilson Ave Crib		20135	41 58.0N	087 35.5W	Mark to Starboard	5.26
CCYC						
SE2		white PVC	45 55.83N	87 32.63W	Mark to Starboard	3.6
Clemson Shoal Lighted Buoy		19910	41 48.40N	87 32.00W	Mark to Starboard	7.39
68th Street Crib light		19870	41 47.2N	87 31.9W	Mark to Starboard	1.2
Clemson Shoal Lighted Buoy		19910	41 48.40N	87 32.00W	Mark to Port	1.2
Finish			41 52.80N	87 34.46W	east to west	4.73
<b>Course D</b>	18.29 miles					
start			41 52.80N	87 34.46W		
Clemson Shoal Lighted Buoy		19910	41 48.40N	87 32.00W	Mark to Starboard	4.73
68th Street Crib light		19870	41 47.2N	87 31.9W	Mark to Port	1.2
Clemson Shoal Lighted Buoy		19910	41 48.40N	87 32.00W	Mark to Port	1.2
CCYC						
SE2	white PVC		41 55.83N	87 32.63W	Mark to Port	7.39
finish			41 52.80N	87 34.46W	east to west	3.68



<b>Course E</b>	32.45 miles		Light List #			
start			41 52.80N	87 34.46W		
Grosspoint Outer Lighted Bell		20255	42 8.2N	87 35.3W	Mark to Port	15.4
Wilmette Wreak Lighted Bell		20250	42 5.7N	87 39.0W	Mark to Port	3.67
Finish			41 52.80N	87 34.46W	east to west	13.33
<b>Course F</b>	35.29 miles		Light List #			
start			41 52.80N	87 34.46W		
Indiana Shoal Nun Buoy 2		19785	41 46.24N	87 23.41W	Mark to Starboard	10.52
68th Street Crib light		19870	41 47.2N	87 31.9W	Mark to Starboard	6.38
Clemson Shoal Lighted Buoy		19910	41 48.40N	87 32.00W	Mark to Port	1.2
Willson Ave Crib		20135	41 58.0N	087 35.5W	Mark to Port	9.2
Finish			41 52.80N	87 34.46W	east to west	5.2
<b>Course G</b>	27.68 miles		Light List #			
start			41 52.80N	87 34.46W		
Indiana Shoal Nun Buoy 2		19625	41 46.24N	87 23.41W	Mark to Starboard	10.52
Indiana Shoal Lighted Buoy 4		19795	41 43.42N	87 20.91W	Mark to Starboard	3.38
Finish			41 52.80N	87 34.46W	east to west	13.78