



COLORS REGATTA

DISTANCE COURSE

JUNE 4-5, 2016

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* 2013-2016 (RRS), the prescriptions of US SAILING, except as changed by this Notice of Race and by the 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. Boats shall meet US Coast Guard safety requirements and comply with World Sailing Category 4.
- 1.4. 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.

- 1.4.1. Rule 62.1(a) Requests for redress concerning courtesy broadcasts are not allowed.
- 1.4.2. US Sailing prescriptions 60, 63.2, and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.4.3. US Sailing prescriptions Appendix T1, T2 and T5 will apply.



1.4.4. Addition; T5.3a boats accepting a penalty during a meeting will be scored 40% of the number of boats entered added to her finishing place without a penalty.

2. FLEETS AND CLASSES RACING.

The following fleets are invited to participate in this race:

- 2.1. Lake Michigan Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (LMPHRF), which 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. Cruising Class – boats that comply with the following:
 - 2.1.2.1. Columbia Yacht Club shall have the authority to determine the suitability of any boat for entry into the Cruising Classes.
 - 2.1.2.2. Boats shall be limited to carrying two roller furling headsails. A whisker pole may be used to wing out the headsail. Required heavy weather sails are in addition to and exempt from the roller furling requirements.
 - 2.1.2.3. Boats may not use a spinnaker pole to tack a spinnaker pole. Boats shall be limited to carrying two asymmetrical spinnakers. The Tack Point of Spinnaker (“TPS”) shall be attached at the centerline of the boat at the stem or on a bowsprit. In no event shall TPS exceed 125% of “J”.
 - 2.1.2.4. Power-driven winches and mechanical and electro-mechanical steering devices are permitted. This changes RRS 52.
 - 2.1.3. Non-Spinnaker Classes – boats that do not carry spinnakers or gennakers.
 - 2.1.4. Double-Handed boats will race in their assigned class, but scored against each other. Double-handed boats shall have only two persons on-board.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1. All boats racing shall have a current LMPHRF rating certificate.

4. FEES

4.1. Eligible boats shall complete online registration and payment via credit card on www.yachtscoring.com not later than **June 2, 2016**.



4.2. The entry fee is \$55 through April 15, 2016.

4.3. The entry fee is \$75 from April 16, 2016 through Friday, June 2, 2016.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES AND EVENTS

5.1. Saturday, June 4 1100 Warning signal

1700 Post-race party and Awards

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.

6.1. Sailing Instructions will be available online at www.yachtscoring.com on or before June 2, 2016.

7. REGATTA VENUE AND COURSES

7.1. The race course length will be approximately 15-20nm and will consist of a simple two to four leg course using existing fixed government maintained marks/buoys.

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 is scheduled.

8.2. Time on time scoring will be utilized.

9. SOCIAL

9.1. Saturday, June 4: COLORS Fiesta buffet, beer, live music all included on the Aft Deck.

10. DOCKING

10.1. There will be a limited amount of complimentary dockage available at Columbia Yacht Club from 1500 hours Thursday, June 2 through Sunday, June 5. This dockage will be in a side tie configuration with other boats rafted alongside at least 2-3 deep.

10.2. Non-resident boats that are participating in the NOOD regatta will be offered a 50% discount on dockage fees through June 23.

11. PRIZES



11.1. 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.

11.2. Prizes will be awarded after racing at the COLORS Fiesta on the Aft Deck.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

12.1. 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.

13. INSURANCE

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

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

Organizing Club:
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