



**Belmont Skyline Series
Chicago Yacht Club
May 20 - September 30, 2015
Belmont Harbor, Chicago, IL**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The races will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Appendices T1 and T2 will apply.
- 1.3 The LMPHRF Rating System will apply.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on the event website at www.chicagoyachtclub.org/offshoreracing and as a courtesy on a notice board located at Chicago Yacht Club, Belmont Station, and as a courtesy by text and email to cell phone numbers and email addresses of record provided by competitors at time of registration.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than 1800 on the day it takes effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the staff at the east end of Chicago Yacht Club, Belmont Station.
- 4.2 When signal flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 30 minutes”. This changes Race Signals.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Races are scheduled every Wednesday from May 20 through September 30, except for July 8 and July 15.
- 5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 1855 through August 26, 2015. The scheduled time of the warning signal for September 2 and 9 is 1840. The scheduled time of the warning signal for September 16, 23, and 30 is 1825.
- 5.3 One race for each section is scheduled each day.

6 SECTION FLAGS

<u>Section</u>	<u>Flag</u>
Inshore One-Design	Numeral Pennant 1
Jib and Main	Numeral Pennant 2
Tartan Ten	Numeral Pennant 3
Offshore with Spinnaker	Numeral Pennant 4
J/105	Numeral Pennant 5

7 RACING AREA

The racing area is located in Lake Michigan east of the Belmont Harbor entrance.

8 COURTESY BROADCASTS

VHF channel 73 will be the designated channel for courtesy broadcasts. The race committee may change the hailing channel by posting a signboard on the signal boat prior to the first warning signal for each race or by posting on the official notice board near the race committee room at the Chicago Yacht Club, Belmont Station.

9 THE COURSES

9.1 Addendum A shows the courses, the approximate angles between legs, and 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 on a board the course, the approximate compass bearing to Mark 1, and the distance to Mark 1 for each fleet. Course information may also be signaled by courtesy broadcasts on the designated VHF channel.

10 MARKS

10.1 Mark 1 will be either an orange shape, the Wilson Crib or the Harrison-Dever Crib. Mark 2 will be the starting and finishing mark which may be either an orange shape or the Belmont Harbor red nun buoy.

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11 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The following area is designated an obstruction: the area around the pumping stations (cribs) and the marks placed around them by the Coast Guard. Boats shall not sail between the marks and the cribs.

12 THE START

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

12.2 Boats on the course side at the start may be courtesy hailed by the race committee on the designated VHF channel. Errors or omissions in courtesy broadcasts are not grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

12.3 The race committee will signal a combined start by simultaneously flying the class flags of the starting fleets.

12.4 Starting sequence:

1. Inshore One-Design
2. Jib and Main
3. Tartan Ten
4. Offshore with Spinnaker
5. J/105

Race Committee may omit starts with no competitors and may combine starts.

13 THE FINISH

The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of the finishing mark to be left to starboard.

14 TIME LIMIT

Any boat failing to finish prior to 2030 will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protests and requests for redress shall be filed by email to racecoordinator@chicagoyachtclub.org by 0900 on the Thursday following the incident.
- 15.2 Protests will be heard at Chicago Yacht Club Belmont Station within 10 days following the incident.

16 SCORING

The race committee may, upon discussion with the fleet captain, adjust scores for boats not competing in their sections.

17 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as described with the notice of race.

18 SERIES CONTACT

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ADDENDUM A

Course 2	Two legs. This course is a windward, leeward, once around, finish to leeward. The marks shall be rounded in the order of Start - Mark 1 - Finish.
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Course 4	Four legs. This course is a windward, leeward, twice around, finish to leeward. The marks shall be rounded in the order of Start - Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Mark 1 - Finish.
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Mark 1



Start/Finish
Mark 2

