



**Chicago Grand Slam
A World Match Racing Tour Event
August 11-14, 2022
August 11 – Practice Day
August 12-14 – Racing Days
Chicago, IL, USA**

Notice of Race

The following abbreviations apply to this Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions:

PC: Protest Committee

OA: Organizing Authority

NoR: Notice of Race

RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing

SI: Sailing Instructions

RC: Race Committee

TD: Technical Delegate

IJ: International Jury

[NP]: The notation in a rule of the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions mean that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, including RRS Appendix C
- 1.2 The rules for the handling of boats and the equipment list, detailed as part of the Sailing Instructions, will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules will not apply.
- 1.3 RRS 28.1, 32, 33, 35, 60.1 (b), 62.1(a), 63.1, 63.7, C7.4, C8.6 and A5 will be changed in the SI's for this event.
- 1.4 The US Sailing prescriptions to RRS 67 and 76.1 will be the only US prescriptions that apply, and their text will be posted on the official online notice board.
- 1.5 Competitors are responsible for providing their own USCG or Country MNA (for entrants outside the US) approved personal flotation device (PFD). All competitors shall wear a PFD while on the water, other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. This modifies RRS 40 and the preamble to Part 4 of RRS.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text takes precedence
- 1.7 The event has applied for World Sailing Grade 2. This grading is subject to review by World Sailing. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.



2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The SI's will be available on August 5, 2022 at the official online notice board

3. COMMUNICATION

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the online official notice board which is located at https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_notice_board.php?regatta_id=24371

3.2 Signals made ashore will be displayed from a flagstaff located at Chicago Yacht Club, Belmont station.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 Up to twelve (12) skippers will be invited.

4.2 Only skippers invited by the OA, and who confirm acceptance of the invitation, as detailed in the letter of invitation, will be eligible to enter this event. You can request an invitation at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSef6VRk17g1H1pnynWzOyCNOwW6QsZFHvv_xFR_LzLEcc1bB8w/viewform

4.3 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing regulation 19.4.

4.4 All competitors shall obtain a World Sailing Sailor ID by registering online at http://www.sailing.org/sailor_id_request. Skippers shall inform the OA of their World Sailing Sailor ID at registration.

4.5 The non-refundable entry fee is USD 1100. 50% is due by July 16, 2022 and shall accompany the acceptance of invitation to be valid. All payments shall be made in US Funds by credit card. The remaining balance is due by registration; August 12, 2022.

4.6 The skipper shall complete registration, pay any entry fee, arrange the damage deposit of USD 2,500 and shall ensure that all crew complete crew weighing, all between August 11, 2022 from 1000 to 1700 and August 12 from 0730 to 0830 unless extended by the OA. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

4.7 When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within two months of the event or leaves the event before the end without written approval from the OA, a zero score may be applied to their Ranking points for that event by World Sailing. (World Sailing Regulation 27.2.2(d))

5. DAMAGE/DAMAGE DEPOSIT

5.1 Each skipper is responsible for the damage or loss to their boat unless responsibility is otherwise assigned by the umpires or PC. The damage deposit is the limit of liability of each skipper for each incident. In the event that a deduction is made from the deposit, the skipper will be required to restore the deposit to the original value to continue in the event.

5.2 The OA will refund any remaining damage deposit within 10 days after the event.

6. CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)



- 6.1 The number of crew (including the skipper but excluding persons placed on board by the OA) shall be four (4) or five (5). All registered crew shall sail all races.
- 6.2 After the warning signal for a match, the registered skipper shall not leave the helm, except in an emergency.
- 6.3 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event, the Chief Umpire or OA may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- 6.4 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event, the Chief Umpire or OA may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.
- 6.5 The total weight of the crew, including the skipper, dressed in at least shorts and shirts, shall not exceed 350 kg, determined at the time of registration or such time as required by the RC.
- 6.6 Crew weight may be checked during the regatta. When crew weight is checked prior to racing, the total weight limit at any re-weighing is increased by 10 kg to 360 kg. Any crew weighing in excess of this increased limit shall not be penalised, but they shall reduce their weight to the increased weight limit before racing again.
- 6.7 The OA may place a person on each boat as either a guest, cameraman, or umpire observer.

7. EVENT FORMAT

- 7.1 The OA intends to provide eight (8) Tom 28 type boats for racing in the event. Each boat will have the following sails: Mainsail, Jib and Spinnaker.
- 7.2 Boats will be allocated as decided by the race committee. The intention of the RC will be to allocate boats by draw, either daily or for each round. The RC may also require boats to be exchanged in a knock-out stage.
- 7.3 The sails to be used will be allocated by the RC. Competitors may be requested to exchange sails during a series to satisfy sponsorship commitments.
- 7.4 While all reasonable steps are taken to equalise the boats, variations will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.
- 7.5 The number of matches to be sailed each day will be determined by the RC with the intention of the RC to start each subsequent flight as soon as practicable after the previous flight.
- 7.6 The course will be windward/leeward with starboard rounding, finishing downwind.
- 7.7 The intended racing area will be on Lake Michigan, east of Belmont Harbor in Chicago, IL USA
- 7.8 Skippers will be seeded into a round robin based on World Sailing ranking list 30 days prior to the event.
- 7.9 The event will consist of Round Robin(s), Knock-out Series and Finals racing. The format will be specified in the Sailing Instructions
- 7.10 The RC may change the format, terminate any stage or the event when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of matches under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favour of later stages.



8. PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

8.1 Schedule

- a. Race office open from 1000 on Thursday, August 11
- b. Registration from August 11 at 1000 until 1700, and August 12 at 0730 until 0830
- c. Crew weighing from August 11 at 1000 until 1700, and 0730 to 0830 on Aug 12
- d. Practice from 1200 to 1600 on August 11
- e. First briefing at 0830 on Friday, August 12
- f. First meeting with umpires follows the first briefing
- g. Racing days from August 12 to August 14
- h. Time of the first race each day will be 1000
- i. The latest time for an attention signal on the last day of racing will be approximately 1700
- j. Prize giving will follow racing on the last day as soon as feasible.

8.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:

- a. Initial briefing for skippers.
- b. Daily briefing, for skippers.
- c. Prize giving for the final skippers and crews.

9. ADVERTISING

9.1 [NP] Boats shall display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

10. [NP] CODE OF CONDUCT

10.1 Competitors and Support Persons shall comply with any reasonable request from any official, including attendance at official functions, co-operation with event sponsors and shall behave so to not bring the event into disrepute.

10.2 Competitors and support persons shall handle any equipment or advertising provided by the organizing authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

10.3 All applicable governmental regulations regarding health, safety and infectious disease control shall be strictly followed by all competitors.

10.4 Competitors using any Chicago Yacht Club facilities, including docks, shall follow the House and Ground Rules in Effect due to Covid-19.

11. [NP] SUPPORT PERSON



- 11.1 Support persons shall stay approximately 100m from the racing area while boats are racing or comply with reasonable requests from the officials
- 11.2 The OA will not provide berths for support person vessels.

12. [NP] MEDIA, IMAGES and SOUND

- 12.1 If required by the OA:
 - a. Television personnel and equipment (or dummies) supplied by the OA shall be carried on board while racing.
 - b. Competitors shall wear microphones supplied by the OA during racing and be available for interviews when advised by the OA or RC.
 - c. Registered skippers shall wear communications equipment supplied by the OA that will allow commentators to communicate with them whilst racing.
- 12.2 Competitors shall not interfere with the normal working of the OA supplied media equipment.

13. SPARE

14. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

15. PRIZES

- a. Prizes will be given to the top three teams.
- b. The OA may reduce a prize in case of misconduct or refusal to comply with any reasonable request, including attendance at official functions.
- c. The winner of the Grand Slam Series (Chicago Grand Slam, Detroit Cup, Oakcliff International and Thompson Cup) will earn a qualifier spot at the 2023 Congressional Cup, hosted by Long Beach Yacht Club.



16. FURTHER INFORMATION

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