

# NOTICE OF RACE

## MISSA Ice Breaker



**Chicago Yacht Club**  
**March 29 - 30, 2025**  
**Belmont Harbor, Chicago, IL**



[NP] – The notation [NP] in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

The Organizing Authority of this regatta is MISSA.  
The Host Organization is Chicago Yacht Club (CYC).

### 1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in:

1. The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
2. This Notice of Race (NOR).
3. The Sailing Instructions (SI).
4. The ISSA Procedural rules located at <https://hssailing.org/resources/rules/>
5. The MISSA Supplemental rules located at <https://missa.hssailing.org/about/missa-district-rules>

### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. The SI will be available on or before 1200 on March 28th at [scores.hssailing.org](https://scores.hssailing.org).
2. Printing of the SI is the responsibility of the teams participating in the event.

### 3. COMMUNICATION

1. The official notice board is located online at [scores.hssailing.org](https://scores.hssailing.org).
2. As a courtesy, an unofficial notice board is located on the Sailing School Barge.
3. **[DP]** Coaches shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US Marine frequencies.
4. Competitors shall not carry VHF radios on boats while racing.
5. On the water, the Race Committee (RC) will make courtesy broadcasts to competing teams on VHF radio on the channel stated in the SIs.

### 4. ELLIGIBILITY

1. This is a MISSA Tier 3 Regatta.
2. The regatta has an allowance of up to 20 team berths.
3. Eligible schools may enter one team only.
4. Entries received in excess of the 20-team limit will be recorded on a waiting list.
5. If the number of teams entered falls below the 20-team limit prior to the entry deadline, entry will be offered to teams on the waiting list in time priority order.
6. If fewer than 20 entries are received by the entry deadline, schools may be offered 2<sup>nd</sup> team berths at the discretion of the OA.
7. A/B format - Each team shall consist of two (2) two-person boats.
8. A team shall have no fewer than four (4) sailors to enter the regatta. A team may include up to 4 alternate sailors.
9. Mixed teams are permitted to enter per MISSA PR 4.4.

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## 5. ENTRY

1. The entry deadline is March 21, 2025 at 2000.
2. The entry form is online [here](#).
3. A team enters the regatta by:
  1. Completing the entry form
  2. Submitting the entry fee
  3. Submitting the Damage Deposit per NoR 6.3
4. Teams shall submit no later than March 29, 2025 at 0900:
  1. Completed team roster
  2. Medical forms
  3. Liability forms

## 6. FEES

1. The entry fee is \$60 per sailor paid through online registration.
2. Entry fee includes:
  1. Registration
  2. Usage of boats
  3. Lunch both Saturday and Sunday
3. By registering for this regatta, in place of paying a damage deposit, my team agrees to pay the cost of any damages we are deemed responsible for by the host/protest committee/organizing authority, as well as the cost of any damages that cannot be attributed to a specific incident/team that is divided equally between all participating teams.
4. Teams forfeit their entry fee by:
  1. Withdrawing from the regatta after the entry deadline
  2. Failing to compete at the event

## 7. BOATS

1. Chicago Yacht Club will provide twenty (20) collegiate E420s.
2. Boats shall be sailed as provided with no modifications to rigging or running rigging.
3. No other boats shall be used.

## 8. CREW LIMITATIONS

1. ISSA PR1 covers crew eligibility.
2. Per MISSA 4.3 and this NOR, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are not allowed as team members at this event.

## 9. RACING AREA

The race area will be inside Belmont Harbor or just east of the entrance to Belmont Harbor in the open waters of Lake Michigan at the discretion of the Race Committee.

## 10. COURSE

The course will be Windward/Leeward with drop or robotic marks.

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## 11. SCHEDULE

1. Dates and times for this regatta:

Date:	Time	Item
Sat 03/29/25	0830 - 0915	Registration - Rigging of boats
	0915	Mandatory Competitor's meeting
	1000	First Warning
		Racing to continue throughout the day
Sun 03/30/25	0830 - 0900	Rigging of boats
	0900	Mandatory Competitor's meeting
	1000	First Warning
	1400	No warning after this time

2. The intent of the Race Committee is to complete as many races as practical each day, which shall not exceed the number of races scheduled.
3. Maximum number of races for this regatta is defined by ISSA PR 7.5.

## 12. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

1. Due to water temperature, competitors are required:
  1. To provide their own dry suit and have it on hand at the venue on each day of racing as per ISSA PR 2.3.
  2. On each day of racing, the OA will announce at the competitors meeting whether dry suits will be required to be worn by competitors racing on that day.
  3. The combined air temperature and water temperature equal to or exceeding 100 degrees Fahrenheit, will be used by the OA as consideration for not requiring dry suits for the day. Deviation from this guideline is not grounds for redress.
  4. Competitor's failure to wear a dry suit while racing on a day where dry suits are required by the OA will be scored DSQ by the RC without a hearing for every race skipper and/ or crew were observed sailing without a drysuit. ***This changes RRS 60.5(b).***
2. [DP] Coaches are required:
  1. To wear approved floatation devices as required by ISSA PR 2.2.
  2. To wear the engine cut-off switch link on all powered vessels while afloat.

## 13. COACHING

Coaching will take place on the water in the designated coaching area that will be announced at the daily competitors meeting. CYC RIBs may be available to borrow, email [kate.odonnell@chicagoyachtclub.org](mailto:kate.odonnell@chicagoyachtclub.org) to inquire about availability.

## 14. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the teams with the three best combined scores.

## 15. HOUSING

No housing will be provided for this event.

## 16. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race 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

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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.**

## 17. REGATTA CONTACTS

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