

2021 MCSA Fall Championship

Chicago Yacht Club October 30th and 31st, 2021 Belmont Station, Chicago, IL Notice of Race (NoR)

ABBREVIATIONS

[DP] Rules for which the penalties are at the discretion of the protest committee.

1. Organizing Authority

1.1 The Organizing Authority (OA) will be the Intercollegiate Sailing Association (ICSA) and Midwest Collegiate Sailing Association (MCSA), and Chicago Yacht Club/Northwestern University Sailing Club will be the host.

2. Venue

2.1 The venue will be Chicago Yacht Club, Belmont Station, 300 W. Belmont Ave, Chicago IL 60657. Racing will be held in the open waters of Lake Michigan or in Belmont Harbor at the discretion of the Race Committee.

3. Provisional Schedule

3.1 Saturday, October, 30

08:30-0915 Registration
0915 Competitor's Briefing/Meeting
1000 First Warning
Racing to continue throughout the day

Sunday, October 31

0900 Report Time
0945 First Warning
1500 No Warnings shall be signaled after
Awards immediately following de-rigging

4. Qualification

- 4.1 The berths for this regatta will be allocated according to finishing place in pre-selected MCSA "Tier A" Coed Fleet Race regattas during the fall semester. The qualifying regattas are the following events:
- (a) Fall Fury hosted by the University of Wisconsin – Madison: qualifying berths to the top 4 distinct teams.
 - (b) Pere Marquette Hosted by Marquette University: qualifying berths to the first 3 distinct teams.
 - (c) Cary Price hosted by the University of Michigan: qualifying berths to the first 4 distinct teams.
 - (d) Morton Schapiro Ph. D Trophy Hosted by Northwestern University: qualifying berths to the first 3 distinct teams
 - (e) Emma Biagioni hosted by Hope College: qualifying berths to the first 3 distinct teams.
- 4.2 If a team qualifies through two or more events, they will only be granted one (1) berth, with any subsequent qualifying berths being converted to an "at-large berth". The only exception to this will be if a team places first (1st overall) in any 2 of the qualifying events, they will be allotted a second berth for the fall

championship from the pool of at-large berths. Any remaining at-large berths will be distributed within 2 days of the last qualifying event.

4.3 At-Large Berths: these berths will be made available to teams who did not place in qualifying positions at the qualifying regattas. The berths will be offered to teams in order, according to the following criteria (in order):

- (a) Lowest number of positions outside of a qualifying berth at any qualifying regatta.
- (b) The team that has the most berths at regattas since the previous midwinters.
- (c) The team that has the lowest average win percentage.
- (d) If 1-3 are applied and 2 or more teams are still ties, then the berths will be allocated by the MCSA Board

4.4 Results: The top 3 placing unique teams at the 2021 Fall Championship will receive automatic berths to the 2022 Women's and Co-ed Fleet Race Spring Championships and will not need to sign up separately at midwinters.

5. Eligibility

The following teams are expected to attend:

1. University of Wisconsin – Madison (qualified at Fall Fury) Attendance Confirmed
2. University of Michigan (qualified at Fall Fury) Attendance Confirmed
3. University of Notre Dame (qualified at Fall Fury) Attendance Confirmed
4. University of St. Thomas (qualified at Fall Fury) Attendance Confirmed
5. University of Wisconsin – Madison (qualified at Pere Marquette via at-large berth) Attendance Confirmed
6. Michigan Technological University (qualified at Pere Marquette) Attendance Confirmed
7. Lake Forest College (qualified at Pere Marquette) Attendance Confirmed
8. Michigan State University (qualified at Cary Price) Attendance Confirmed
9. Northwestern University (qualified at Cary Price) Attendance Confirmed
10. Ohio University (qualified at Cary Price) No Response
11. At-Large Berth TBD
12. University of Illinois (qualified at Morton Schapiro) Attendance Confirmed
13. University of Chicago (qualified at Morton Schapiro) Attendance Confirmed
14. Purdue University (qualified at Morton Schapiro) Attendance Confirmed
15. Marquette (qualified at Emma B) Attendance Confirmed
16. Grand Valley State University (qualified at Emma B) Response Pending
17. Ohio State (qualified at Emma B) Attendance Confirmed
18. At-Large Berth TBD

6. Damage Deposit

6.1 Each team shall submit a refundable boat damage deposit of \$200 no later than 1000 on Saturday, October 30, 2021. In the event of damage that cannot be attributed to a specific team, repair costs will be allocated evenly to all the teams competing.

6.2 Each team shall make checks payable to ***Chicago Yacht Club***.

7. Registration

7.1 The cost of registration will be \$60 per attending team.

7.2 Payment must be made by Credit Card at the following the link <https://cyc.rechub.net/event/689>.

7.3 No food will be provided.

8. Rules

- 8.1 The event is governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and ICSA Procedural Rules.
- 8.2 Appendices T and V1 shall apply.
- 8.3 All applicable governmental regulations regarding health, safety and infectious disease control shall be strictly followed by all competitors.
- 8.4 Competitors using any Chicago Yacht Club facilities, including docks, shall follow [*House and Ground Rules In Effect Due to Covid-19*](#).
- 8.5 Violations of Section 1.3, 1.4, and 1.5 of this Notice of Race shall not be protestable by a competitor but may be protested by the Race Committee or Organizing Authority. ***This changes RRS 60.1.***
- 8.6 Sailing Instructions will be available on the event website (scores.collegesailing.org).
- 8.7 The rules for boats, equipment, and the handling of boats will be distributed with the Sailing Instructions and will also apply to any practice sailing.
- 8.8 **[DP]** Boats shall not fly drones while racing or in the racing area.

9. Boats

- 9.1 The event will be sailed in Zim E420 type boats.
- 9.2 20 boats will be provided, but 18 berths will be awarded.
- 9.3 Boats will be checked in and checked out in accordance with the Chicago Yacht Club Bosun's procedures. Skippers/Crews shall not leave their boats after racing before completing the check-in procedure.

10. Coaching & Coach Boats

- 10.1 Coaching shall be in accordance with ICSA Procedural Rule 19.
- 10.2 Coaching will occur on the water. Each coach shall operate a boat that will be his or her respective team's designated coaching area. Please bring your team's coaching platform. If teams do not have equal access to coach on the water, coaching will occur from shore.

11. Risk Statement

- 11.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

12. Photography and Video Rights

- 12.1 Competitors give absolute right and permission for any photographs or video footage taken of themselves or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever for editorial, commercial purposes, or to be used in press information.

Further Information

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