

# 2025 MCSA Open & Women's Singlehanded Championship

*Hosted by Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club*

*601 W Montrose Ave, Chicago, IL 60613*

*September 20 - 21, 2025*



## NOTICE OF RACE

AMENDMENT 1 - 9/18/2025

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Midwest Collegiate Sailing Association (MCSA) and Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club.
- 1.2. This regatta shall be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 (RRS).
- 1.3 The US Sailing prescription to 63.2 shall not apply.
- 1.4 The ICSA Procedural Rules (PR), ICSA Collegiate Dinghy Class Rules and MCSA Policies shall apply. Competitors are strongly encouraged to review these Rules and Policies prior to the event.
- 1.5 For MCSA Championships the Conditions for ICSA Championships shall be used. They can be found at this link:  
<https://collegesailing.org/documents/ICSA-DRAFT-New-Conditions.pdf>
- 1.6 This Notice of Race (NOR), except as modified by the Sailing Instructions, shall apply.
- 1.7 RRS 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: "(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or"

### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 All Teams must be members in good standing of the ICSA and are scheduled to participate in the event at the Annual meeting or after that by the MCSA Regatta Coordinator.
- 2.2 All regatta team members participating must meet ICSA eligibility requirements. [See PR 12]
- 2.3 Student-athletes shall be members in good standing with ICSA prior to competing.
- 2.4 All Student-athletes shall register online using Techscore <https://ts.collegesailing.org/>.
- 2.5 A representative from each competing team shall enter completely on the Record of Participation Form online with Techscore or in person, the **names** and **class years** of all **skippers** and **crews** who competed, as well as the **races** in which they competed.
- 2.6 A team failing to properly complete the Record of Participation Form before the expiration of protest time limit after the final race of the regatta, shall be scored according to PR 33(a) for fleet racing and PR 33(b) for team or match racing (see also PR Appendix C - ICSA FORMS).
- 2.7 The two-week drop deadline for this event is September 5th.
- 2.8 The 24-hour drop deadline is 1200 Central Daylight Time (CDT) on Friday, September 19, 2025.
- 2.9 To drop a berth for this event, contact the MCSA Regatta Coordinator. Drop deadline penalties can be found in the MCSA Policies.
- 2.10 The entry fee for this regatta is \$10.

### 3. SCHEDULE AND NUMBER OF RACES

3.1 There shall be a maximum of 10 races sailed. The target time for each race shall be 30 minutes. There will be no rotations. This changes PR 22.b.i.

3.2 Schedule: ( All times in CST)

#### **Friday, September 19**

**1500 - Boat drop-off & Free Practice**

#### **Saturday, September 20**

**0800 - 0900 - Registration**

**0900 - Competitors' Meeting**

**1030 - First Warning Signal**

***Social to follow racing***

#### **Sunday, September 21**

**1000 - First Warning Signal**

**1500 - No Starting Signal After**

***Awards to follow racing***

### 4. BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

4.1 Collegiate Dinghies (ILCA 6/7) are to be provided by the competitor.

4.2 Boats, equipment and rigging shall comply with ILCA Class rules and requirements.

4.3 Borrowed boats shall be considered "personal equipment". Per the Championship Conditions: "8.4 PR20 shall apply to equipment, supplied by the host or OA, but does not include personal equipment".

4.4 The Open division will be sailed on ILCA 7 boats.

4.5 The Women's division will be sailed on ILCA 6 boats.

4.6 There will be a limited number of boats available for charter distributed on a first-come basis.

4.6.1 To charter a boat, the skipper must post a refundable \$500 US damage deposit at registration by check.

4.6.2 In the event a portion of the damage deposit is used during the event, the skipper may be required to restore their original deposit to \$500 US in order to continue the event.

4.6.3 To inquire about charters, please contact Nicholas Chesemore at [nicholaschesemore2027@u.northwestern.edu](mailto:nicholaschesemore2027@u.northwestern.edu).

### 5. TEAM UNIFORMS

5.1 All student-athletes competing in ICSA regattas shall wear a uniform designating their college.

5.2 The uniform shall be a lightweight jersey, bib, or pinnie worn over a PFD, or like-colored PFD.

5.3 To designate the college, any combination of the college's name, nickname, mascot, or other identifying image shall be present on the back of the uniform and, except for an individual's name or number, shall be the same for all team members competing. [See PR 13(e)]

### 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available prior to the competitors' meeting, online at the event website <https://scores.collegesailing.org/f25/mcsa-open-singlehanded/> on the official notice board and on the [MCSA Schedule](#).

### 7. RACING AREA

The racing area will be on Lake Michigan, to the East of Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club.

## 8. SPECTATORS

8.1. All spectators shall remain at least 100 yards from the competitors while racing. Spectators shall receive 1 warning upon entering the “field of play.” The second entrance shall be cause for a protest by the OA against the affiliated team(s) under RRS 41.

8.2. Spectator boats shall not dock in areas that interfere with the function of the sailboat rotation area.

8.3 On-the-water coaching is allowed under PR 19; coaches must provide their own boat & allow equal access to the coach boat for all teams.

## 9. TROPHIES

Trophies will be awarded to competitors that place in the following places (1st through 3rd in each division).

## 10. PHOTOGRAPHY, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

10.1. Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment, or positioning equipment as specified by the Organizing Authority (OA).

10.2. Individuals and their teams are permitted to use personal video/film/camera or sound recording equipment on their boats, however, the video and audio obtained by their personal cameras may not be used during a protest hearing. Video/film/camera equipment includes, but is not limited to, GoPro and other action cameras, U.A.V.s, and Drones.

## 11. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant the Organizing Authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

## 12. 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 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.**

## 13. FURTHER INFORMATION

Visit [scores.collegesailing.org](https://scores.collegesailing.org) for access to regatta information.

Visit the [MCSA Schedule](#) for access to schedule and regatta information.

MCSA Regatta Coordinator: Alden Gort, [mcsaregattacoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:mcsaregattacoordinator@gmail.com)

Regatta Chair: Nicholas Chesemore ([Nicholaschesemore2027@u.northwestern.edu](mailto:Nicholaschesemore2027@u.northwestern.edu), (425) 628-5518)

## 14. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Drysuits will not be required at this event.

## 15. REGATTA HOUSING

Regatta housing may be provided for this event on a first-come, first-served basis.

Contact Nicholas Chesemore

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