



**Icebreaker Regatta
Chicago Yacht Club
March 28 - 29, 2026
Belmont Station
Notice of Race**

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Midwest Interscholastic Sailing Association (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). This Notice of Race (NOR). The Sailing Instructions (SI). The ISSA Procedural rules located at <https://hssailing.org/resources/rules/> and the MISSA Supplemental rules located at <https://missa.hssailing.org/about/missa-district-rules>

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. The SI's will be available before March 26 on the official Notice Board at scores.hssailing.org and on Clubspot as a courtesy.

3. COMMUNICATION

1. The official notice board is located online at scores.hssailing.org.
2. Notices may also be posted to the event Clubspot page as a courtesy:
<https://theclubspot.com/regatta/KSxnrGAjDF/#notice-board>
3. Coaches shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US Marine frequencies.

4. ELIGIBILITY

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. The regatta will use the standard A/B division.
5. If fewer than 20 entries are received by the entry deadline, schools may be offered 2nd team berths at the discretion of the OA.
6. Mixed teams are permitted to enter per MISSA PR 4.4.

5. ENTRY

1. The entry deadline is March 20, 2026 at 1700.

2. The registration form is online at: <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/0EdDWFA0xR>
3. The entry fee covers up to 6 sailors. Additional sailors must be registered and paid for through Clubspot.
4. All team members shall submit an electronically signed waiver before the entry deadline expires. Any waiver difficulties should be reported to Kate O'Donnell.

6. FEES

1. The entry fee is \$240 per team, with additional sailors added at \$40 per sailor paid through the regatta's Clubspot page.
2. Entry fee includes:
 - a. Registration
 - b. Usage of boats
 - c. Lunch on Saturday and Sunday

7. BOATS

1. Chicago Yacht Club will provide 20 collegiate E420s.
2. Boats shall be sailed as provided with no modifications to rigging or running rigging.

8. RACING AREA

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

9. SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Item
Saturday, March 28	0845 - 0930	Registration + Rigging
	0930	Mandatory Competitors' Meeting
	1015	First Warning
Sunday, March 29	0900	Coaches' Meeting
	1000	First Warning
	1400	Last Start Time
	After Racing	Awards

12. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

1. Drysuits are required unless otherwise instructed by the RC during the competitors meeting.

13. COACHING

1. Coaching and rotations will take place on the water.

2. Coaches are responsible for bringing their own coach boat.
3. CYC RIBs may be available to borrow, email kate.odonnell@chicagoyachtclub.org to inquire about availability.

14. PRIZES

1. Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 placing teams.

15. 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.

16. REGATTA CONTACTS

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