



2023 Sailing Instructions

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

- a. The Chicago Yacht Club Mackinac Committee (CYCMC) shall represent the Chicago Yacht Club Regatta Association as the Organizing Authority of the Chicago Yacht Club Race to Mackinac® (**The Race**).
- b. The host is the Chicago Yacht Club (CYC).

2. RULES

- a. For all competing boats:
 - 1) **The Race** shall be governed by:
 - a) The rules as defined by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) except as modified herein or by the NOR.
 - b) Class Rules
 - 1) Boats racing in an approved One-Design Section shall be subject to their Class Rules and all modifications accepted by the CYCMC.
 - 2) If there is a difference between a Class Rule, a handicap rule of the Division, the NOR, or these SI, the more restrictive rule shall apply.
 - 3) If there is a question as to which rule is more restrictive, the Chief Measurer's decision shall be final.
 - 2) Changes to the RRS for **The Race** are as follows:
 - a) The last sentence of RRS 60.4(a) is changed to, "However, it shall protest a boat if it decides that a boat or personal equipment does not comply with the rules of the 2023 CYCRTM, including class rules and RRS 50."
 - b) RRS A5.1 is changed as follows:
 - 1) The following is added as the second sentence: "In addition, for each Automatic Time Penalty listed in CYCRTM SIs assessed to a boat, the boat's corrected time shall be increased by five minutes per penalty without a hearing."
 - 2) The second sentence of RRS A5.1 becomes the third.
 - c) RRS A10 is changed to include ATP - Automatic Time Penalty (five minutes of corrected time per violation) imposed per the 2023 CYCRTM SI.
 - 3) US Sailing Prescriptions to the *Racing Rules of Sailing* shall apply **except** for the prescription to RRS 63.2.
- b. Additional Rules – Monohulls
 - 1) The rules of the ORCi and ORCc certificates for monohulls as appropriate to the competitor.
 - 2) ORC 206.1 is changed to permit boats with a Class Division Length (CDL) less than 11.591 meters to carry aboard five (5) spinnakers while racing. **This change does not apply to boats entered in the Cruising Division.**
 - 3) The 2023 Chicago Mackinac Safety Regulations (CMSR) – Monohull. All provisions of the CMSR are applicable to all boats from the time a boat checks in pursuant to SI 12 until the time the boat has finished **The Race** and been released to its docking position after any inspection by the RC. By way of example only, the requirement of CMSR 5.6 that "A boat shall have a mechanical propulsion system that is capable of starting . . ." means that the boat's engine must be capable of starting after the boat has finished **The Race** and until it is docked in its assigned docking space after any inspection.
 - 4) Life Jacket Rule
 - a) CMSR compliant Life Jackets shall be worn by all crew while on deck from sunset to sunrise.
 - b) Life Jackets shall also be worn while on deck during daylight hours unless the Person-in-Charge instructs that they may be removed.

- c. Additional Rules – Multihulls
 - 1) The rules of Great Lakes Multihull Racing Association (GLMRA) for multihulls.
 - 2) The 2023 Chicago Mackinac Safety Regulations (CMSR) – Multihull. All provisions of the CMSR are applicable to all boats from the time a boat checks in pursuant to SI 12 until the time the boat has finished **The Race** and been released to its docking position after any inspection by the RC. By way of example only, the requirement of CMSR 5.6 that “A boat shall have a mechanical propulsion system that is capable of starting . . .” means that the boats engine must be capable of starting after the boat has finished **The Race** and is docked in its assigned docking space after any inspection.
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 - a) CMSR compliant Life Jackets shall be worn by all crew while on deck from sunset to sunrise.
 - b) Life Jackets shall also be worn while on deck during daylight hours unless the Person-In-Charge instructs that they may be removed.
- d. Additional Rules – Double-Handed Division
 - 1) Depending on the boat sailed, NOR 1.b applies except for the Life Jacket rules that are replaced with the requirements in NOR 1.d.2.
 - 2) Competitors shall wear at all times while racing:
 - a) CMSR compliant Life Jackets
 - b) Safety harnesses
 - c) Tethers while on deck
 - d) A dedicated personal MOB emergency signal device with AIS and DSC capability that has been programmed with the competitor’s boat’s MMSI.
- e. A Protest Committee shall be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(a).
 - 1) In addition to hearing protests and requests for redress, the Protest Committee shall have authority to resolve questions of eligibility and/or compliance with entry requirements.
 - 2) Hearings preceding **The Race** to resolve any such questions shall begin at or after 1400 CDT the Thursday prior to **The Race**.
- f. Measurers and Inspectors and part of the Technical Committee per RRS 92.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- a. The announcement of the ORC Chicago Mac Custom Rating selection will be posted at least 2 hours prior to each Division’s first scheduled warning signal.
- b. Any other change or addendum to these SI will be in the form of an Amendment to Sailing Instructions, and it will be posted before 0700 CDT on the day it takes effect.

4. TIME ZONES

- a. All times shown in these SIs involving pre-race requirements and on-the-water requirements including the start, call-ins, and finish times, are Central Daylight Time (CDT).
- b. All onshore activities at Mackinac Island are expressed in Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

5. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- a. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board online at www.cycracetomackinac.com.
- b. Unofficial courtesy copies of such notices may also be posted at Chicago Yacht Club clubhouses or at the RC Headquarters.

6. CODE OF CONDUCT

- a. [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- b. [DP] Competitors and support persons shall place advertising provided by the Organizing Authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

7. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- a. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at the Chicago Yacht Club Monroe Station.
- b. As a courtesy, the Race Committee may broadcast posted signals on VHF Channel 78 or post them on the Official Notice Board. Errors and omissions in courtesy broadcasts or courtesy electronic postings are not grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- c. In the event of a Postponement ashore, no starting signal will be made earlier than ninety (90) minutes following the lowering of the signal flag. This changes “Race Signals AP” and “AP over H”.

8. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- The start of **The Race** for the Cruising Division will be Friday, July 21, 2023.
- The start of **The Race** for all other Divisions will be Saturday, July 22, 2023.

9. CLASS FLAGS, DIVISIONS, SECTIONS, AND STARTING TIMES

- Division and Section assignments will be posted on the Official Notice Board online at www.cycracetomackinac.com.
- Section starting order and pennant color assignments are as follows:

Starting Slot	Section	Division	Pennant Color	Start Day	Scheduled Starting Time*
1	Cruising 3	Cruising	Yellow	Friday	1500
2	Cruising 2	Cruising	Grey	Friday	1510
3	Cruising 1	Cruising	Violet	Friday	1520
4	Double Handed	Double Handed	Green	Saturday	1100
5	10	Trophy	Pink	Saturday	1110
6	T10	Trophy	Blue	Saturday	1120
7	9	Trophy	Yellow	Saturday	1130
8	Ben 36.7	Trophy	Grey	Saturday	1140
9	J105	Trophy	Violet	Saturday	1150
10	8	Trophy	Green	Saturday	1200
11	J109	Trophy	Pink	Saturday	1210
12	7	Trophy	Blue	Saturday	1220
13	Ben 40.7	Cup	Yellow	Saturday	1230
14	6	Cup	Grey	Saturday	1240
15	5	Cup	Violet	Saturday	1250
16	J111	Cup	Green	Saturday	1300
17	4	Cup	Pink	Saturday	1310
18	3	Cup	Blue	Saturday	1320
19	2	Cup	Yellow	Saturday	1330
20	1	Cup	Grey	Saturday	1340
21	GL 52	Cup	Violet	Saturday	1350
22	First General Recall section **			Saturday	1400 **
23	Second General Recall section ** Additional sections follow in the same order as Recalled at 10-minute intervals			Saturday	1410 **

* Actual start times may vary based on postponements and/or general recalls

** If needed

- Each boat shall display its Section Pennant (provided at Pre-Race Sign-In) on its backstay from prior to its Pre-Start Check-In until after its Post-Finish Sign-In.

10. RACING AREA

The racing area is the open waters of Lake Michigan and Lake Huron starting near Chicago and finishing near Mackinac Island.

11. COURSE & MARKS

- The Starting Area is situated approximately 1.5 nautical miles east of Monroe Inner Harbor entrance and approximately 0.5 nautical miles southeast of the Chicago Harbor Breakwater.
- Each boat shall pass between Grays Reef Light (2023 LL No. 17775) and Grays Reef Passage Channel Lighted Buoy 7 (2023 LL No. 17780), except those passing west of Beaver Island.
- Boats shall leave New Shoal Lighted Bell Buoy 3 (2023 LL No. 17745) to starboard.
- Boats shall pass under one of the three center spans of the Mackinac Bridge.
- Boats shall leave South Graham Shoal Buoy 2A (2023 LL No. 12635) to port.

- f. The finish line shall be between the southwest corner of the Round Island Lighthouse (2023 LL No. 12585) and a blue flag on a staff at the Race Committee finish trailer on Mackinac Island.

12. PRE-START CHECK-IN

- a. Each boat in the **Cruising Division** shall:
 - 1) Come within hail of the Race Committee Boat located at the west end of the starting line (the Race Committee Boat located closest to the Chicago Harbor Breakwater),
 - 2) Leave the Race Committee Boat to port while displaying its CMSR-compliant reflective sailboard on its port side, and
 - 3) Be acknowledged. Check-In by radio is not permitted.
- b. Each boat in the **Racing Divisions**, prior to entering the Starting Area, shall:
 - 1) Proceed under power from south to north along the east end of Navy Pier,
 - 2) Each boat shall leave the two orange buoys located approximately 50 yards off the end of Navy Pier to starboard while displaying its CMSR-compliant reflective sailboard on its port side forward of the mast, and
 - 3) Be acknowledged before leaving the Check-In area.
 - 4) Race Committee performing Check-In will be located ashore on the southeastern end of Navy Pier.
 - 5) After acknowledgement and leaving both orange buoys to starboard, boats shall proceed to the Start Area by travelling east, outside the yellow buoy, then in a southerly direction along the west side of the Chicago Breakwater. Boats shall not pass through the gap between the Chicago Harbor Light (2023 LL No. 19960) and Chicago Harbor Entrance South Side Light (2023 LL No. 19985).
 - 6) The Race Committee will display code flag Lima from the end of Navy Pier from 0930 CDT to 1300 CDT.
 - 7) Check-In by radio is not permitted.

13. THE START

- a. Starting Sequence signals will be made in accordance with RRS 26 except that the warning signal for each Section will be ten (10) minutes before its start. This changes RRS 26.
- b. The Starting Line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat at the starboard (eastern) end and a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee Pin Boat at the port (western) end of the line.
- c. Unless otherwise defined by green buoys, boats whose warning signal has not been displayed shall keep clear of the Starting Area and the Safety Zones which are defined as lines on the course side of the starting line extending from the Pin Boat and the Signal Boat at approximately 45-degree angles above and below a compass heading of 18 degrees true.
- d. As a courtesy, Race Committee may make radio broadcasts regarding the timing of signals displayed and other information relevant to the start of **The Race** over VHF Channel 78. Errors or omissions in a Race Committee courtesy broadcast are not grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- e. Individual Recalls - If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at their starting signal and they are identified, the Race Committee will attempt to hail the boat's sail number over VHF Channel 78. Failure to hail a boat's number, failure to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed shall not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- f. General Recalls procedure is as follows:
 - 1) After a General Recall has been signaled for a Section, the recalled Section or Sections will be restarted after all the other day's scheduled Sections.
 - 2) The General Recall flag for a recalled Section will be removed, without a sound, one minute before the Preparatory Signal for the next start. This changes RRS 29.2 and Race Signals.
 - 3) The warning signal for the first Section that was recalled will be concurrent with the starting signal of the day's last scheduled Section. Any subsequently recalled Sections will be started in the same order that they were recalled in accordance with SI 13.a.
- g. Boats that fail to properly start properly before the Race Committee leaves its starting line station shall be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes A5.1. The Race Committee shall stay on its starting line station a minimum of five (5) minutes after the last Section's starting signal each day.

14. RADIO WATCH & CALL-IN

- a. Radio Watches in this section are in addition to the Federal requirements to continuously monitor VHF Channel 16.

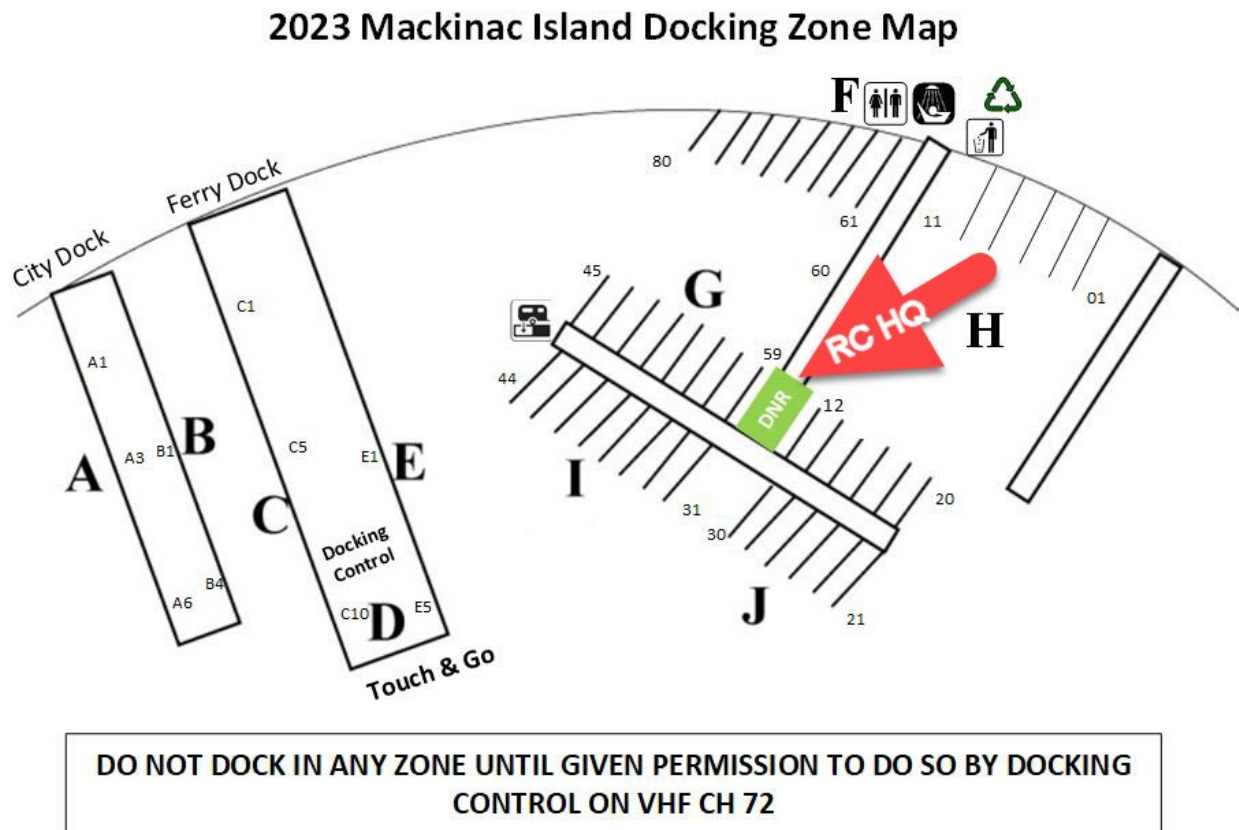
- b. VHF Channel 78 Radio Watch: Each boat shall monitor VHF Channel 78 and maintain a radio watch when 5 nautical miles from the finish until directed to another channel by the Race Committee.
- c. 3 Mile Call-In Procedure
 - 1) When 3 nautical miles from the finish line, each boat shall call the Race Committee on VHF Channel 78 by transmitting on high power with its 25-Watt Marine Radio.
 - 2) After acknowledgment, report to the Race Committee its name, sail number, and position.
 - 3) If there is no response from the Race Committee, the boat shall repeat its call at approximately two-minute intervals.
 - 4) If a boat is unable after repeated attempts to reach the Race Committee for any required radio call-in, the boat shall promptly contact the Race Committee via voice call or text at 312-768-8562.
- d. Any boat that has not crossed the finish line by 0001 CDT Wednesday following the Start shall:
 - 1) Call or text a report to Race Committee between 0001 CDT and 0200 CDT on Wednesday following the Start at 312-768-8562.
 - 2) The report shall include the boat's name, sail number, and latitude/longitude.

15. THE FINISH & FINISHING PROCEDURES

- a. The Finish Line is defined in SI 11.f. Two vertical green lights, a colored inflatable mark on top of the finish trailer, and/or a flashing strobe may be displayed night and day from the trailer to approximate the north end of the finishing line.
- b. Two high-intensity searchlights used by the Race Committee to identify boats and sail numbers may be flashed on and off. They are positioned to the west of the finish line and have no significance for the finishing boat. These lights are not to be considered as a signal as to the location of the finish line or that a boat has finished.
- c. No less than 1.5 nautical miles from the finish line until its finish has been acknowledged by Race Committee, each boat shall display and secure its CMSR-compliant reflective sailboard to the boat's port side, aft of the beam, with numbers clearly visible to the Race Committee on Mackinac Island.
- d. Each boat shall record its own finishing time and the sail number and name of the boat finishing ahead of and behind it, if these boats can be identified, on the Finish Report Card provided in the IC's packet at Pre-Race Sign-In.
- e. Finish Call-In Procedure
 - 1) After finishing, each boat shall immediately call the Race Committee on VHF Channel 78 to receive acknowledgment of its finish.
 - 2) If not acknowledged, the boat shall repeat its call at approximately two-minute intervals until it receives acknowledgement.
 - 3) If a boat is unable after repeated attempts to reach the Race Committee for any required radio call-in, the boat shall promptly contact the Race Committee via voice call or text at 312-768-8562.
- f. Each boat shall be inspected unless specifically advised otherwise by the Race Committee.
- g. After finishing, a boat shall not make landfall, discharge any crew, nor remove or take on board any item before it has either been inspected or specifically released from inspection by the Race Committee.
- h. The Race Committee will be on station until 0800 CDT Wednesday following the start of **The Race**. A boat that finishes AFTER this time:
 - 1) Need not adhere to SIs 14.c, 15.e, 15.f, 15.g and 16.
 - 2) Shall make docking arrangements directly with the Michigan DNR Mackinac Island Harbormaster if planning to make landfall on Mackinac Island.
 - 3) Text a legible photo of their completed Finish Card to Race Committee to 312-768-8562 at the first reasonable opportunity after finishing. It is the responsibility of the Invited Competitor to confirm that the Race Committee has received all Finish Card information.

16. INSPECTIONS & DOCKING PROCEDURES

- a. After receiving finish acknowledgement from Race Committee and the boat is prepared to dock, it shall call Docking Control on VHF Channel 72 for instructions regarding inspection and docking.
- b. A boat is subject to inspection until the boat has properly completed its Post-Finish Sign-In.
- c. Boats shall not dock or raft at any location without the express direction of Docking Control.
- d. Boats shall race with sufficient and appropriately sized dock lines, spring lines and fenders appropriate for rafting with up to 10 other boats. Boats unable to comply with this regulation may be required by Docking Control to depart from all CYCMC-controlled docking locations.
- e. The Race Committee may protest boats failing to comply with any inspection or docking procedure as set out in these SIs. In addition, failure to comply may result in the Invited Competitor not being invited to compete in future races.
- f. DOCKING AT MACKINAC ISLAND



- g. Boats docking on Mackinac Island shall adhere to the following regulations:
 - 1) All boats shall leave their location no later than 1100 EDT the Wednesday after the start. Boats wishing to stay beyond the deadline shall make reservations directly with the Michigan DNR and are responsible for paying applicable charges.
 - 2) All boats rafted or blocking another boat shall have crew on board capable of moving the boat beginning at 0800 EDT Wednesday after the start to facilitate a timely departure by all.
 - 3) Boats assigned to St. Ignace Municipal Harbor or Straits State Harbor (Mackinaw City) docking locations will be directed to "Touch & Go" (Zone D) for the purposes of completing race requirements. Finish cards and transponders will be collected by Race Committee. No loitering is permitted.
 - 4) Unless specifically directed otherwise by Docking Control, boats shall not anchor in Mackinac Island Harbor at any time.
 - 5) Rafted vessels in Mackinac Island State Harbor will not be allowed electrical service unless they are tied directly to a dock.
 - 6) Generators are not allowed to be utilized while in Mackinac Island State Harbor.

- 7) To prevent the potential for electroshock drowning, no swimming is allowed in Mackinac Island State Harbor.
- 8) All vessels in Mackinac Island State Harbor shall comply with Clean Marina policies including:
 - a) No fueling from portable containers.
 - b) No portable fuel containers (full or empty) will be allowed on the DNR controlled docks.
 - c) No engine repairs.
 - d) If washing topside, only environmentally friendly cleaners that are phosphate free and non-toxic may be used. Cleaners that contain ammonia, lye, sodium hypochlorite, chlorine, or petroleum distillates are prohibited.
 - e) Any other policies posted by the Michigan DNR not listed here.
- 9) The drying of sails on fencing near the roadway is prohibited.
- h. Boats docking at St. Ignace Municipal Marina & Straits State Harbor shall adhere to the following regulations:
 - 1) A boat that has a docking assignment at St. Ignace Municipal Marina or Straits State Harbor (Mackinaw City) shall follow the "Touch & Go" procedure listed in SI 16.g.3.
 - 2) Upon completing Post-Finish Sign-In requirements as stated in SI 17, boats shall promptly leave Mackinac Island for St. Ignace Municipal Marina or Straits State Harbor.
 - 3) Prior to arrival in St. Ignace Municipal Marina or Straits State Harbor, each boat shall contact the appropriate Harbormaster to confirm its docking assignment.
 - 4) If a boat chooses not to use its docking assignment, the boat shall notify the Race Committee of the change. Boats with St. Ignace Municipal Marina or Straits State Harbor assignments shall not be allowed to permanently dock on Mackinac Island.
 - 5) All boats shall leave their location no later than 1100 EDT the Wednesday after the start. Boats wishing to stay beyond the deadline shall make reservations directly with the appropriate harbormaster and are responsible for paying applicable charges.
 - 6) All boats rafted or blocking another boat shall have crew on boat capable of moving the boat beginning at 0800 EDT Wednesday after the start to facilitate a timely departure by all.
- i. Boats docking at Straits State Harbor shall adhere to these additional regulations:
 - 1) Rafted vessels in Straits State Harbor will not be allowed electrical service unless they are tied directly to a dock.
 - 2) Generators are not allowed to be utilized while in Straits State Harbor.
 - 3) To prevent the potential for electroshock drowning, no swimming is allowed in Straits State Harbor.
 - 4) All vessels in Straits State Harbor shall comply with Clean Marina policies including:
 - a) No fueling from portable containers.
 - b) No portable fuel containers (full or empty) will be allowed on the DNR controlled docks.
 - c) No engine repairs.
 - d) If washing topside, only environmentally friendly cleaners that are phosphate free and non-toxic may be used. Cleaners that contain ammonia, lye, sodium hypochlorite, chlorine, or petroleum distillates are prohibited.
 - e) Any other policies posted by the Michigan DNR not listed here.

17. POST-FINISH SIGN-IN

- a. Within three (3) hours of finishing, except as listed in SI 17.e, the Invited Competitor or the Person-In-Charge shall return the boat's race tracking device and the completed Finish Report Card to the Race Committee at Race Committee Headquarters located on the docks in Mackinac Island State Harbor.
- b. An alternate location, to be utilized in inclement weather and after 1700 EDT Tuesday following the start, is the Windermere Hotel.
- c. A signature on the Finish Report shall represent acknowledgment that the boat was raced in full compliance with the rules set forth in the Notice and Conditions of Race, the Sailing Instructions, and that all persons associated with the boat shall comply with the Mackinac Island State Harbor, Straits State Harbor, & St. Ignace Harbor Regulations until they have departed the harbor.

- d. The primary method of returning the boat's race tracking device shall be to deliver it to the Race Committee Headquarters as part of SI 17.a. In the event a boat is unable to comply with the primary return method, the IC shall be responsible for returning the device per the alternate return instructions received with the delivery of the unit. Failure to return the unit shall result in the specified monetary charge and may result in non-invitation to future races.
- e. Boats complying with "Touch & Go" docking procedure in SI 16.g.3 shall fulfill their Post-Finish Sign-In requirements with the Race Committee at the Race Committee Harbor Control in Docking Zone D. Upon successful completion of the Post-Finish Sign-In, boats shall immediately leave the "Touch & Go" slip.

18. RETIREMENT FROM THE RACE, INCIDENTS, and SAFETY EQUIPMENT DEPLOYMENT/TRANSMISSION

- a. Boats that retire from **The Race** shall notify Race Committee as soon as possible via voice or text at 312-768-8562.
- b. Boats shall complete the online Mac Incident/Retirement Report by 1159 CDT, August 7, 2023, if any one (1) or more of the following conditions occur:
 - 1) A boat retires from **The Race**, OR
 - 2) A personal injury is sustained requiring medical attention ashore, OR
 - 3) Damage is sustained to your boat or equipment exceeding \$5,000 to repair, OR
 - 4) A collision with another boat(s) resulting in damage or injury, OR
 - 5) Deployment of any safety or rescue equipment, activation of any boat or personal rescue signaling device or equipment, and/or a transmission of a DSC emergency message whether intentional or inadvertent, OR
 - 6) Emergency communication(s) with United States Coast Guard (USCG).
- c.
 - 1) A boat shall inform the USCG via Ch. 16 of any rescue equipment that has gone overboard and not been retrieved and log the lat/long of such occurrence and the time of the USCG's acknowledgement or response.
 - 2) If any device emits an inadvertent automatic electronic distress signal, a boat shall inform the USCG via Ch. 16 of such occurrence and log the lat/long and the time of the USCG's acknowledgement or response.
- d. Failure to complete the Mac Incident/Retirement form in the specified time period may result in the Invited Competitor not being invited to compete in future races.

19. ALTERNATE PENALTIES

- a. The Protest Committee has the discretion to issue corrected time penalties, elapsed time penalties, Section placement penalties, Division placement penalties, or disqualification except as listed in SIs 19.d and 19.e. Section and Division Placement penalties shall be assessed by adjusting the corrected time of the penalized boat the minimum amount necessary to achieve the desired rank. A Section or Division penalty will apply to both Section and Division results.
- b. After penalties are applied, the scores of all boats shall be updated to reflect any changes in their ranking.
- c. Two-Turns Penalty only applies within six (6) hours of a boat's starting signal. This changes RRS 44.1.
- d. RRS G4 is changed to read: "When the Protest Committee finds that a boat has broken a rule of this appendix it may warn the boat but shall not penalize it."
- e. The Race Committee shall penalize a boat without a hearing for a breach of SIs 14.c, 15.c, 15.e and 17.a by applying a scoring penalty of 5 minutes corrected time per infraction. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.
- f. If a boat accumulates penalties from SIs 19.a and 19.e, the order in which the penalties will be assessed is SI 19.e then 19.a.

20. TIME LIMIT

All boats not finishing by 1200 CDT Thursday following the start of **The Race** will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35 and A5.1.

21. HEARING REQUESTS

- a. Protests and Requests for Redress will be decided by the Race to Mackinac Protest Committee.
- b. Hearing Requests shall be filed within three (3) hours of the Finish of the protesting boat by logging into your dashboard at www.cycrtm.com and select the "Request Hearing" button.
- c. A retiring boat intending to request a hearing shall notify the Race Committee of its intent to file when reporting its retirement. Hearing Requests by a boat that has retired from **The Race** and proceeds to a harbor other than Mackinac Island shall file their protest via the procedure in 21.b within six (6) hours of first arrival at a harbor.

- d. Posting of the notice of protest and hearing time on the Official Notice Board online at www.cycracetomackinac.com constitutes the notification required under RRS 63.2. A courtesy copy may be available at the Race Committee Headquarters. It is the responsibility of each Invited Competitor or Person-in-Charge to note the protest postings and to attend the protest hearing, if involved in a protest. Protested boats may obtain copies of the protest from the Race Committee at the Race Committee Headquarters.
- e. Protests will be heard on Mackinac Island at the Windermere Hotel beginning at 0900 EDT on the Monday and Tuesday following the start of **The Race**.
- f. The Protest Committee will continue to hear protests for as long as it determines necessary and may alter this schedule as it deems necessary.
- g. Protests not heard or decided on Mackinac Island will be heard no sooner than two weeks after the start of **The Race** at Chicago Yacht Club Monroe Station. Invited Competitors or Persons-in-Charge of boats involved will be notified.

22. SCORING

- a. Scoring will be in conformance with the NOR.
- b. On a Divisional basis, the ORC Chicago Mac Custom Rating selection shall be posted online on The Official Notice Board. The Race Committee may announce the selection with a courtesy broadcast during the starting sequence.

23. OFFICIAL VESSELS

Official vessels will be identified by displaying flags showing the Round Island Lighthouse or a blue flag with the RC insignia.

24. TRASH DISPOSAL

It is the responsibility of the boat owner and crew to ensure trash is properly disposed of. We encourage separating recyclable items.

25. PRIZES

- a. Prizes will be awarded in accordance with the NOR.
- b. Flags for winners will be presented in the open lawn area between Mission Point Resort and the Mackinac Straits between 1400 EDT – 1800 EDT on Tuesday following the start unless posted differently on the Official Notice Board.
- c. If for any reason a representative of a winner will not be available at the presentation to receive the flag, the Invited Competitor is requested to so notify the CYC Regatta Manager by email.
- d. Unless otherwise notified, CYC Race to Mackinac trophies will be awarded at the Annual Mackinac Awards Dinner on Saturday, November 4, 2023 at Monroe Station.

26. 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.

27. INSURANCE

- a. Each boat shall have a minimum of \$500,000 of Liability Insurance coverage.
- b. Insurance shall be valid between July 15, 2023 and July 30, 2023 inclusive.
- c. It is the IC’s responsibility to verify that the boat’s insurance policy is suitable for participation and coverage in **The Race**.

28. CONTACTS

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Addendum A

Automatic Time Penalties

Per SI 19.e, breaches of the following SIs shall result in a 5-minute corrected time penalty being applied without a hearing.

SI Number	Summary
14.c	Failure to comply with 3 Mile Call-In procedure
15.c	Failure to display CMSR-compliant reflective sailboard
15.e	Failure to comply with Finish Call-In procedure
17.a	Failure to complete Post-Finish Check-In