



NOTICE OF RACE



2009 WINDY CITY TEAM RACE

QUALIFIER REGATTA FOR UNITED STATES TEAM RACING CHAMPIONSHIP FOR THE GEORGE R. HINMAN TROPHY

Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club 601 W. Montrose Drive, Chicago, IL 60613 773-334-9100

27-28 June 2009

The Organizing Authority is Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club and Vanguard Fleet 67.

1. Rules

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, Appendix D, and the class rules of the Vanguard 15, except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Rule 40 is changed to apply without the need to display flag Y at all times afloat except for brief periods when changing clothes.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence.

2. Advertising

This regatta is classified as a Category C event in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.3.2.

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Vanguard 15 class.
- 3.2 Each competing team shall consist of 1 skipper and 1 crew per boat with three boats per team. It is recommended, but not required, that a team contain members of both genders. This recommendation is often a requirement of subsequent events and is suggested to prevent future conflicts.
- 3.3 Eligible crews may enter by completing an entry form, registering with the organizing authority and paying the entry fee. <http://www.v15.org/windycity09>
- 3.4 Every participating sailor shall be a member of US SAILING. This is a requirement for being a qualifier for the **UNITED STATES TEAM RACING CHAMPIONSHIP FOR THE GEORGE R. HINMAN TROPHY**.
- 3.5 Teams shall wear identification bibs supplied by the organizing authority outside their PFDs.
- 3.6 Teams shall provide their own yellow and red protest flags (at least 3 sets) that will be inspected and approved at check-in. Flags must measure at least 8 inches by 8 inches.

4. Registration and Fees

- 4.1 Registration and entry fees must be received by the Organizing Authority by the end of Registration and Weigh-in on June 27. The entry fee is \$360 per team.
- 4.2 Online registration is available at <http://www.v15.org/windycity09>
- 4.3 All teams shall notify the Organizing Authority via email (cjmurray2@hotmail.com) by Thursday, June 25, 2009 of their intent to race so that seeding for the first round robin can occur.

5. Format of Racing

The regatta format and number of races will be determined by the regatta chairman and Chief Umpire in consultation with the PRO, and will be based on the number of registered teams and the weather conditions. Possible formats include round robins, split fleet round robins, elimination ladder, Swiss or Modified Swiss League, and others followed by quarterfinals, semifinals, and finals. The format to be attempted, contingency formats, if any, and changes to the format will be in accordance with Rule 90.2(c).

11. Prizes

Awards will be given to the top three teams.

12 Minimum Crew Weight and Wet Clothing

- 12.1 The combined weight of each six-person team shall not be less than 870 pounds. Each team whose combined weight is less than this amount shall carry penalty weight while racing. The amount of penalty weight will be one pound of corrector weight for each pound of combined crew weight less than 870 pounds. Penalty weights shall be distributed among the boats of a team to make the combined weight of skipper and crew of each of the three boats as even as practicable. The jury, on request, may approve a more equitable distribution.
- 12.2 Each team member with a combined weight of less than 870 pounds shall be responsible for supplying its own corrector weights. Only water in sealed jugs shall be acceptable. Competitors shall carry the penalty corrector weights in every race, from boat to boat, and shall secure them in the cockpit of each boat.
- 12.3 Competitors shall be weighed by the organizing authority at check-in on the scale provided to determine the combined weight. The competitors shall be weighed in dry swimming attire or light clothing with empty pockets.
- 12.4 There may be spot weight checks during the regatta.

13. UNITED STATES TEAM RACING CHAMPIONSHIP FOR THE GEORGE R. HINMAN TROPHY

The winning team will receive an invitation to the 2009 United States Team Racing Championship for the George R. Hinman Trophy, hosted by Beverly YC, September 24-27, 2009, subject to the US SAILING eligibility requirements of that regatta. Only one skipper and two crew may be substituted from the qualifying team to the team that participates.

14. Further Information

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