



2024 Star District 4 Championship - NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 STCR 35.5 changes RRS 44.1 to a One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.3 Boats may carry VHF radios for purposes of safety and for receiving race committee communication, including notification of OCS boats. Race Committee failure to notify, delay notification, and the order announced will not be grounds for redress.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at registration.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The Official Notice Board (ONB) is located at www.yachtscoring.com
- 3.2 On the water, the Race Committee (RC) will broadcast courtesy VHF radio broadcasts to competitors. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.3 From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Entries are open to all active, life and isolated skippers and must be eligible in accordance with STCR 26.1. Crews must comply with STCR 26.2. Teams sailing in the 4th District Great Lakes Championship must comply with rule 31.1.4. Boats must comply with STCR 21.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the on-line application, together with the required fee within the YachtScoring.com event link.
- 4.3 Entries received after July 1, 2024 may be subject to a late fee and must be approved by District Mgt.
- 4.4 Only skippers and crew eligible to compete under WS Eligibility Code, Regulation 19, are to compete in this regatta.
- 4.5 A Competitor is not entered and will not receive a score until: (a) All fees are paid including class and district dues; (b) Measurement and crew weigh-in are completed.

5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee for the 4th District Championship is \$190.00 USD. Fee includes boat and trailer parking, launching, hauling, skipper's packet, and invitations to social events for skipper and crew.
- 5.2 Entry fees are due at time of entry and payable via credit card thru the YachtScoring.com process.



6 ADVERTISING

6.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.

7 SCHEDULE

Day 1	July 25	1200-2000	Registration, Inspection & Weight in
Day 2	July 26	0800-0930	Registration, Inspection & Weigh in
		1000	Skipper's Meeting
		1200	Warning Signal Day 1, Race 1
			Additional Races to follow (no more than 3 races)
Day 3	July 27	1030	Warning Signal Day 2, Race 1
			Additional Races to follow (no more than 3 races)
Day 4	July 28	1030	Warning Signal Day 3, Race 1
			Additional Races to follow (no more than 2 races)
	Post Racing		Awards and Lunch

7.1 7 (seven) races maximum are scheduled.

8 MEASUREMENT

8.1 Each boat shall have a valid measurement certificate on file at the Central Office. In addition, the following equipment will be inspected or measured: Sail Royalty numbers, (2) life jackets, tow line, and paddle.

8.2 Teams sailing in the 4th District Great Lakes Championship SHALL demonstrate compliance with team weight limits in accordance with STCR 31.1.3 prior to end of inspection. Teams will not be subject to reweighing during the regatta.

8.3 Only boats that have completed registration, paid all entry fees and passed the prescribed measurement check procedure by 10.00 hrs. on Friday, July 26 are entitled to race.

9 VENUE

Racing will be conducted on the home waters of the Wilmette Harbor Star Fleet Star Fleet

10 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be in accordance with STCR 34

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.



12 SCORING

12.1 The scoring system is the Low Point System of RRS A.

12.2 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a District 4 Championship.

- a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores
- b) When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS A2

13 BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the boat park.

14 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats may be at Wilmette Harbor Club commencing at 0800 on July 20, until completion of racing. Special permission for early arrival arranged thru Skip Dieball (skip@sheridanshore.org)

15 PRIZES

Prizes will be given for the 96th 4th District Great Lakes Championship to the skipper and crew finishing 1-3 and are active members of the 4th District.

16 TEAM AND PRIVATE SUPPORT PERSONS AND BOATS

16.1 Boats shall receive no outside assistance from any support boats, including towing, once she has left the dock for the day until the finish of the last race of the day, except in the case of emergency and/or towing supplied by the OA and available to all participants.

16.2 Individual and support / coach boat shall be registration at the regatta registration office.

17 DISCLAIMER AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

17.1 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.

17.2 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. The Organizing Authority will not accept liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

18 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

21 FURTHER INFORMATION

For more information contact: Skip Dieball, skip@sheridanshore.org