

WINDJAMMERS SAILING CLUB

2026 Weekend Racing



NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The Lake Michigan Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (LMPHRF) rules and rating system will be in effect (except as changed by the sailing instructions).

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The race is open to all sailboats that meet USCG requirements for sailing on Lake Michigan. All boats are required to have a marine VHF radio or cell phone. Monitor VHF channel 72.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by filling out the Race Entry Form in the clubhouse and have paid the Entry Fee by the time of the Competitors' meeting.

3. FEES

- 3.1 Entrance fee is \$20.00/boat for members, \$30.00 for non-members. Checks made out to Windjammers Sailing Club.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1 See Schedule above.

5. START OF RACE

- 5.1 The exact time is defined by your cell phone time. A warning horn maybe sounded five (5) minutes before the official start, four (4) minutes before the start, one (1) minute before the start and finally at exactly the scheduled start time and it will signal the start of race. Example: Horn soundings at 12:55pm, 12:56pm, 12:59pm, and 1:00pm. Each boat is issued a time delay/penalty (minutes and seconds) based on their PHRF rating. Scratch boat (no time delay issued) will be the first boat to start and will begin at the race start time. All other boats will wait behind the start until their time delay/penalty expires. Example: Boat issued with a time delay/penalty of 4:06 minutes will start the race at 1:04:06pm, cell phone time, for a 1:00:00pm scheduled start time.

6. THE COURSE

- 6.1** Competitors will sail from the WJSC center pin out and around the harbor entrance lighthouse and the fixed channel marker ("Corner Light" R14). Returning and finishing at the WJSC center pin. At their discretion, competitors choose the sequence of marks to be rounded.
- 6.2** Sailors should start and finish within 3 boat lengths of the center pin.
- 6.3** Center Pin: Latitude: 44°38'21.48" (44.639) Longitude: 087°59' 04.67" (87.985)
Entrance Light: Latitude : 44°39'11.35" (44.653) Longitude: 087° 54' 04.89" (87.901)
Corner Light: Latitude: 44°35'49.51" (44.597) Longitude: 087° 57 08.82" (87.952)

7. SCORING

- 7.1** The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A, will apply.

8. AWARDS

- 8.1** Awards will be given out as soon as trophies can be created.

9. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 9.1** Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk. See rule "Decision to Race". The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in prior to, during, or after the race.

10. SAFETY

- 10.1** Safety boats will not be provided.
- 10.2** The Race Committee may not start a fleet if they feel the conditions warrant additional safety measures.
- 10.3** The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner or owner's representative who shall do his or her best to ensure the yacht is sound, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by a crew sufficiently experienced and physically fit to face expected weather conditions. The owner is responsible to see that all safety equipment is properly maintained and stowed and that the crew knows where it is kept and how it is used.

11. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information and pre-registering please contact:

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WINDJAMMERS SAILING CLUB. Inc.

2026 Weekend Race Entry Form

Wolter

Northern Lights

Lighthouse

Frostbite

Boat Name _____

PHRF Rating _____

Class: Spinnaker or Non-Spinnaker Boat Length/Make: _____

Skipper _____ Skipper Cell Phone: _____

Boats without entry form and payment before the race will not be scored.

DISCLAIMER AND LIABILITY RELEASE

Please enter the above named yacht for the Weekend Race Series.

I certify that this yacht is insured (copy of certificate of liability insurance must be attached if your vessel is not stored at Windjammers Sailing Club) and in seaworthy condition and that I am responsible for its safety and that of my crew.

Windjammer Sailing Club, its directors, officers, members, race or other any other committee, shall not be liable for any injury or damage whatsoever to the persons or property whether caused by or resulting from their act, omission or alleged negligence, or from weather or sea conditions, hazards of any kind, defects or failure of vessels to be seaworthy in hull, rigging and gear; or any acts, omissions, or alleged negligence of other participants, which may occur during or arising out of or in part by marine activity sponsored by or aided in whole or in part by Windjammers Sailing Club.

I understand that my crew and I participate in these races at our own risk. I understand that it is solely my responsibility to decide whether or not to start or continue the race. I understand that it is solely my responsibility to determine whether personal flotation devices should be worn on my vessel. I understand that I am responsible for the conduct of my crew while at the Windjammer Sailing Club.

The undersigned on behalf of himself/herself and his/her crew hereby release Windjammers Sailing Club, its officers, directors, members, and vessels sponsoring or assisting in any such marine events from any and all liabilities, claims, demands, or causes of action.

Signed/ Owner / Skipper _____

Entry fee W-J members \$20 Non-members \$30