

GREAT LAKES



2018 NOTICE OF SERIES

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Great Lakes Farr 40 Fleet is the organizing authority of the Championship Series. The host club of each regatta in the Championship Series will provide the race management, and shall be the organizing authority for their regatta. The first warning signal shall be according to the sailing instructions, which will be provided by the host club at each event.

2. RULES

2.1 All races will be sailed under the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing, the Prescriptions of the U.S. Sailing Association, and the Farr 40 Class Association Rules, except as modified by the Sailing Instructions of the individual regattas or local Great Lakes Fleet. The current class rules regarding the helmsman (owner/relief/substitute) and number of allowed Group 3 competitors shall take precedence over individual race instructions. Crew weight limits will apply as per Class Rules modified so that weigh-in will not be required.

2.2 Any alteration of class rules will only be approved by a majority vote of current fleet members.

2.3 RRS 51 is modified to read: For the duration of the Great Lakes Championship Series all movable ballast shall be properly stowed, and water, dead weight or ballast shall not be moved, added, or removed for the purpose of changing trim or stability. Floorboards, bulkheads, doors, and stairs shall be left in place and all cabin fixtures kept on board. The maximum amount of drinkable liquid on board shall not exceed six liters per crew member per day.

3. ADVERTISING

Advertising shall be according to Farr 40 Class Rule 36.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The Championship is open to all yachts meeting the rules of the Farr 40 One Design Class.

4.2 All current members of the Great Lakes Fleet, holding a current class certificate and having paid their Local and National Fleet Dues are eligible to compete and are automatically entered. No entry fee is required.

5. Schedule of Championship Series and Races

June 8 - 10 Chicago NOOD Regatta, Chicago YC

July 21 Chicago to Mackinac, Chicago YC

August 4 – 5 Columbia Cup, Columbia YC

August 9 – 12 Verve Cup, Chicago YC

September 8, Chicago Regatta, Chicago YC

September 9 Commodore Stein, Columbia YC

October 3 – 4 Farr 40 Pre-Worlds, Chicago YC

October 5 – 9 Farr 40 World Championship, Chicago YC

6. Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be provided by the Organizing Authority for each regatta.

7. Championship Series Scoring

7.1 The Low point scoring system as described in RRS Appendix A will be used for scoring of the Championship Series. RRS A9 will apply.

7.2 The number of throw outs will be determined by the total number of races sailed in the Championship. Throw-outs will be administered according to the following schedule:

Number of races completed	Throw-outs applied
24	6
20 - 23	5
16 - 19	4
12 - 15	3
11 or fewer	0

8. PENALTIES

The penalty for any infringement of the Class Rules or ORC regulations is to be at the sole discretion of the International Jury or Protest Committee once racing commences, in consultation with the Class Management Group or non-competing Class Representative.

9. PRIZES

9.1 Overall Awards will be presented to yachts and their crews finishing first, second, and third in the Championship Series.

9.2 Additional Prizes may be awarded

9.3 An end of the season Awards Party will be held in the Fall. All prizes will be given out at that time.