



2026 Summer Splash Regatta
July 20-21, 2026
Sheridan Shore Sailing School
20 Harbor Drive, Wilmette, IL 60091

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The sailing instructions will be available no later than 1800 on Jul 19, 2026

3 COMMUNICATION

3.1 The online official notice board is located at: www.theclubspot.com

3.2 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors & coaches on VHF channel 69. Opti Fleets may move to a separate VHF Channel

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 This event is open to competitors in the Optimist Dinghy Green and Red, White and Blue fleets, C420, and ILCA 4, 6, and 7, and Open Skiff youth sailors.

4.2 Teams may enter the event by registering online at:

<https://sheridanshore.org/register/regatta/4iYEytIPFq/class>

4.3 Boats shall complete online registration by July 17, 2026 at 11:59pm

5 FEES

5.1 Entry fees are as follows: \$45 per sailor singlehanded boat, \$75 per double-handed boat. Prices increase after June 21 at 11:59pm.

5.2 Lunch is not provided.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1000. We will aim for an on-the-water lunch break around 1200 each day as conditions allow. Lunch may be ashore if conditions do not permit on-the-water lunch.

6.2 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1400

7 COURSES

7.1 Courses will be a variation of Windward/Leeward with an offset mark and leeward gate as needed.

8 SCORING

8.1 A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores, per the low-point scoring system.

8.2 A boat shall receive 1 throw-out after six (6) races, and 2 throw-outs after eleven (11) races.

9 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

9.1 Spectator and support vessels shall keep clear of the racecourse and only coach from the designated area between races. Green fleet coaches may coach the bottom half of the fleet during races as needed, so long as they are not interfering with racing.

9.2 Each program should have enough coach boats for the number of competitors from their club.

9.3 All coaches must wear an Engine Cut-Off Switch (ECOS) and a USCG-approved floatation device while afloat.

9.4 The entire racing and pre-start area is a no-wake zone. Coaches and spectators operating at speeds above idle will be removed from the racing area and sent to shore.

10 RISK STATEMENT

10.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, decision to race.

10.2 In consideration for permitting the undersigned skipper and boat owner, if different from skipper, to participate in a regatta sponsored by the Sheridan Shore Sailing School and conducted at, adjacent to, and through the facilities of the Wilmette Harbor Association ("WHA") and the Wilmette Harbor Club ("WHC"), each of the undersigned agrees to the following:

10.2(a) I will abide by the rules and regulations of the SSSS, the WHA, and the WHC.

10.2(b) I understand that, because of the nature of sailing, competitive sailboat racing and the "Summer Splash" regatta, there is a risk of physical injury on shore and off shore during the regatta. I hereby release and agree not to sue SSSS, WHA, WHC, Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago ("MWRD"), NSA Properties, Inc. ("NSA"), and their employees, subcontractors, sponsors, agents, affiliates, directors, members (except in their capacity as race competitors), event volunteers, counsel or attorneys (collectively, "Releasees") from all present and future claims that may be made by me, my family, estate, heirs or assigns for property damage, personal injury, or wrongful death arising out of my participation in the regatta, including, but not limited to, claims arising out of or resulting from (1) acts, inactions, equipment, property (including adjacent property) or other facilities of Releasees or any of them, and (2) any acts or inactions by me, my crew or my guests, wherever, whenever, or however the same may occur.

10.2(c) I understand and agree that the Releasees are not responsible for any personal injury or property damage arising out of the regatta, even if caused by their ordinary negligence; provided, however, that I do not release any claims or rights against any

competitors in the regatta for any wrongful acts by them, including damage to property or personal injury. I understand that participation in the regatta involves certain risks, including but not limited to serious injury. I, by voluntarily participating in the regatta with knowledge of the danger involved, agree to accept all risks of such participation.

10.2(d) I have read this form and understand by registering for this regatta that I am giving up and releasing rights and remedies.

11 PRIZES

11.1 Trophies will be awarded to the top 3 boats in each fleet. If there are less than 5 boats in a fleet, prizes will be awarded to the top boat.

12 PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO RIGHTS

12.1 Competitors give absolute right and permission for any photographs or video footage taken of themselves or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever for editorial, commercial purposes, or to be used in press information.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

13.1 Regatta Chair/Organizing Authority

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