

2020 We're going to Race!

MORF OPENER

June 28, 2020










NOTICE OF RACE

1. Morf is holding an open to all, no fee, first race of the season on Sunday June 28 starting at SA7 at 11am.
2. SA7 and Government marks will be used.
3. If you are not a MORF member sign-up by emailing your boat name, sail number and PHRF rating to morf@morfracing.org from an email address where we can reach you.
4. Communication will be via the MORF notice board morfracing.net/wpmocha/offical-notice-board/.
5. Compliance with all state and local regulations are the responsibility of the Skipper.

SPECIAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The organizing authority of the MORF Opener is the Midwest Open Racing Fleet of Chicago
- 1.2 The regatta will be governed by
 - 1.2.1 The rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS)
 - 1.2.2 This Notice of Race (NOR)
 - 1.2.3 These Sailing Instructions (SI's)
 - 1.2.4 The prescriptions of US SAILING except as changed by this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions

Start Sequence Section	Code Flag	MORF/PHRF Rating	Scheduled Warning Start Time
9	#9 	All JAM Boats	11:00 11:05
6-7	#7  #6 	106 - Infinity	11:05 11:10
4-5	#5  #4 	41-105	11:10 11:15
3	#3 	- Infinity - 40	11:15 11:20
Multihull	 T flag	All	11:20 11:25

7. THE MORF OPENER RACING AREAS AND COURSES

7.1. The MORF Open races will be started at Starting Area 7 (SA7), 2.5 miles SE of the Monroe Harbor entrance.

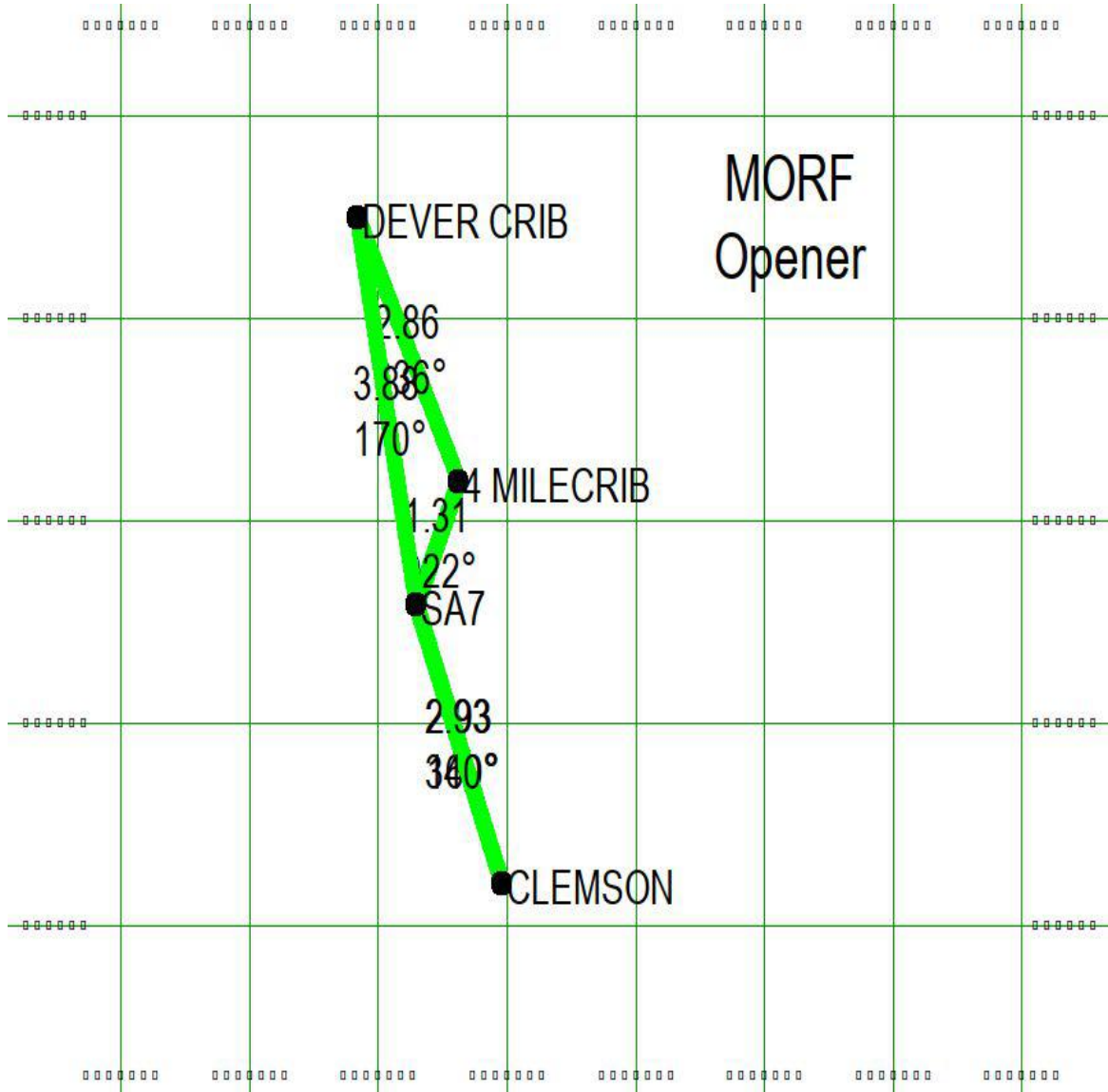
7.2. The courses sailed will use SA7 and government marks. The approximate coordinates are as follows:

Mark Locations

Mark	Latitude	Longitude	Description
SA7	41°51.17' 87	87°33.41'	205°-1.5 miles from Four Mile Crib
4M	41°52.38'	87°32.75'	Four Mile Crib
HD	41°54.99'	87°34.33'	Harrison Dever Crib
C	41°48.41'	87°32.08'	Clemson Shoal Bell (#19910)

8. COURSE

8.1 SA7 - Four Mile Crib - Harrison Dever Crib - SA7 - Clemson Shoal Buoy - SA7 13.9 NM All marks are to be left to port. The race will be shortened to SA7, dropping the the legs to and from Clemson Shoals (8 NM) if necessary.



9. RECALLS

In the event of an individual recall, the sail numbers or identification of any boat or boats that are identified as OCS may be announced on the Race Committee VHF channel 69. Failure of a boat to see or hear her recall notification, and the timing and order of such hails, or the length of time it takes to make a notification on the VHF radio will not be grounds for redress (This changes RRS 29.1 and 62.1 (a).)

10. THE FINISH

- 10.1. The Finish Line will be between the mast of the Race Committee Signal Boat and SA7 unless the course is shortened. The Race Committee will broadcast its decision to shorten a course, and provide relevant information, on VHF channel 69.
- 10.2. If no race committee is on station at the finish leave SA7 to Port, take your finish time, and email it to morf@morfracing.org. (We're going to race if we can.)

11. PENALTY SYSTEM, PROTEST AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS-

- 11.1. Protests will be filed by email to morf@morfracing.org. Protests shall be delivered to the Protest Desk within the protest time limit.
- 11.2. The Protest Time Limit is 24:00:00 of the day of the race. This changes rule 61.3
- 11.3. Notices will be posted on the Official notice board on the MORF website morfracing.net/wpmpocha/offical-notice-board as possible to inform competitors of hearings in which they are a party or named as witnesses.

12. TIME LIMIT

- 12.1. If no boat finishes within four (5) hours of the start the race shall be abandoned. Any boats not finishing with 90 minutes of the finish time of the first boat will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired).

13. SCORING

14. WITHDRAWAL

Boats that retire from a race or do not intend to start a subsequent race shall notify the Race Committee on VHF Channel 69 before leaving the race course.

15. RACE COMMITTEE COURTESY BROADCASTS

The Race Committee may attempt to report visual signals displayed and other pertinent information over VHF Channel 69. This information is provided as a courtesy to competitors and does not in any way alter their responsibility to observe the Race Committee's visual signals which govern the conduct of the race. Errors or omissions involving such courtesy broadcasts shall not be grounds for redress.

16. DOCKING

NONE

17. PRIZES

NONE

18. SOCIAL

NONE

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (MORF, Race Committee, Protest Committee, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. By participating in this regatta, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

20. INSURANCE

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

21. INQUIRIES

Address any questions to MORF at morf@morfracing.org.