



THE QUEENS CUP

The Women's Championship of Long Island Sound

Saturday, July 9, 2016

Organizing Authority: Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound

Hosted by: American Yacht Club, Rye NY

NOTICE OF RACE

1.0 RULES

- 1.1. This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016*.
- 1.2. Racing rules will be changed as follows:
 - 1.2.1. Rule 44 is changed as described in paragraph 10 below.
 - 1.2.2. Appendix A is changed as described in paragraph 11 below.
 - 1.2.3. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.3. Ideal 18 Class rules will apply:
<http://www.shumwaymarine.com/ideal18/idealrules.shtml>
- 1.4. Each competitor shall wear a U.S. Coast Guard-approved Type III PFD at all times while on the water, except while actively adding or removing clothing. Competitors must provide their own PFD.

2.0 ADVERTISING

Advertising will be restricted to Category A.

3.0 BOATS

- 3.1. The event will be sailed in Ideal 18 keelboats, using spinnakers.
- 3.2. American Yacht Club will have a limited number of boats available for competitors, which will be assigned on a first come first served basis. Contact the Event Chair (below) to request a boat.
- 3.3. Competitors shall not modify boats except that:
 - 3.3.1. a compass may be tied or taped to the hull or spars;
 - 3.3.2. wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat;
 - 3.3.3. adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the water line; and
 - 3.3.4. all fittings or equipment designed to be adjusted may be adjusted, provided the class rules are complied with.
- 3.4. All equipment provided with the boat for sailing purposes shall be in the boat while afloat.
- 3.5. The penalty for not complying with one of the above instructions will be disqualification from all races sailed in which the instruction was broken.
- 3.6. Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the Event Chair immediately after securing the boat. The penalty for breaking this instruction, unless the Protest Committee is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, will be disqualification from the race most recently sailed.

3.7. Competitors are not required to be members of the class association.

4.0 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. This regatta is open to females only.
- 4.2. Each boat shall be sailed by two individuals.
- 4.3. Each skipper shall be a member of the Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound (www.yralis.org) and shall be 18 or older by December 31, 2015.
- 4.4. Eligible competitors may enter online at <http://bit.ly/queenscup2016entry> or by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fee, to American Yacht Club, Milton Point, Rye, NY 10580 to be received before July 1, 2016.

5.0 FEES

- 5.1. Required fee is \$115 per boat.
- 5.2. Required damage deposit of \$500 per boat must be provided by check, which will be held by the Event Chair and returned after racing.

6.0 SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 9, 2016 0900 – 0930 Registration
 0930 – Competitors' meeting
 1030 – Warning signal for first race
 1630 – No race started after this time

7.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available after July 1, 2016 at www.americanyc.org

8.0 VENUE

- 8.1. Any boats supplied by American Yacht Club will be available on the docks and in the mooring field, which is accessible by club launch from the "Main Dock."
- 8.2. The racing area will be the waters south of American Yacht Club

9.0 THE COURSES

- 9.1. The course diagrams will be available in the sailing instructions and posted in the race information board. Courses and number of legs will be indicated on a board on the Race Committee signal boat.
- 9.2. The Race Committee will hold as many races as possible.

10.0 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1. Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 10.2. A boat that takes a penalty under rule 44 .1 shall notify the Race Committee as soon as practicable following the conclusion of the race.

11.0 SCORING

- 11.1. The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply and is changed as follows:
 - 11.1.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
 - 11.1.2. Time limit for each race will be 45 minutes.
 - 11.1.3. Boats that fail to finish within the time limit will be scored TLE number of finishers plus two points. This modifies Appendix A.

12.0 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile devices.

13.0 PRIZES

13.1. Prizes will be awarded to the winning boat; other prizes may also be awarded.

13.2. Prizes will be given at American Yacht Club after the final race and protests.

14.0 RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY

By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored or undertaken by American Yacht Club, the owner, helmsman and each crew member agree: that they understand that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of serious bodily injury (including permanent disability, paralysis and death by drowning or otherwise), property damage and other economic loss; that the safety of the boat and her crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility and at their own risk, see RRS 4 "Decision to Race"; that American Yacht Club and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees or agents will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property, or to any participant, including injury or death; and that each of them releases and waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against American Yacht Club and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity.

15.0 FURTHER INFORMATION

Event Chairs	Alix Hahn	(917) 330-7021	ahahn@prophet.com
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ENTRY FORM
or complete your entry [online](#)

Skipper's Name _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Club _____

YRA Membership (Y/N) _____ (if no, please visit www.yralis.org to join)

Crew Name _____

Requesting Loaner Boat (Y/N) _____

Shirt Sizes (skipper and crew) _____XS _____S _____M _____L _____XL _____XXL

Entry Fee \$115
Damage Deposit for Loaner Boat \$500 – check to be collected on day of regatta and held until loaner boat is returned in satisfactory condition, as determined by American Yacht Club.

Responsibility for Safety

As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by American Yacht Club, the helmsman and each crew member agree that the safety of the boat and her crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility, and each of them waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against American Yacht Club and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity.

By signing below, I agree to be bound by The Racing Rules of Sailing and by all other rules that govern this event.

Signed _____ Date _____

Please send signed form, along with an entry fee made out to American Yacht Club, to American Yacht Club, Attn: Queens Cup, Milton Point, Rye, NY 10580