



2015 Robie Pierce One-Design Regatta

Thursday, May 28–Sunday, May 31, 2015

Organizing Authorities
Larchmont Yacht Club & American Yacht Club

Notice of Race

1 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2013-2016* and the Ideal 18 Class Rules, except as they are altered by the sailing instructions.
- 1.2 Sections A, B and D of Appendix T will apply as changed
 - (i) Appendix T1 is changed thus:

The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while racing or rule 31. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'
 - (ii) Appendix T2.2 of Section B is changed as follows:
 - (a) 30%, if taken before the protest time limit and before the beginning of arbitration or a protest hearing involving the incident.
 - (b) 40%, if taken before the beginning of a protest hearing involving the incident.
- 1.3 Rule for has been modified to read "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone; however, the Race Committee reserves to right to cancel racing at any time and for any reason."

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 No competitor advertising will be permitted.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 Skippers shall belong to their National Governing body.
- 3.2 All disabled sailors are eligible to compete.
- 3.3 Each boat shall have a skipper and crew who are disabled plus one able bodied (AB) member whose sole responsibilities will be for ballast and to perform physical functions the crew cannot. No coaching by ABs will be allowed.
 - a) No sailor qualifying as Group 3 shall be allowed to sail as an AB.
 - b) Participants are encouraged to provide their own ABs; but for those participants unable to provide an AB, the OA will provide one if requested no later than Friday, May 22, 2015.

4 ENTRIES AND FEES

- 4.1 Eligible skippers may enter by registering online at www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com. Please use the Registration link provided on the website.
- 4.2 Entry deadline is 1700, Monday, May 18, 2015.
- 4.3 The entry fee of \$150 per sailor is payable online to American Yacht Club through credit cards. Entries received after May 18 will be charged an additional \$25 per sailor. The fee for ABs provided by participants will be \$75. Additional tickets may be purchased for all regatta food, beverages and functions for \$150 per person payable online through PayPal or at registration.
- 4.4 A \$500 refundable damage deposit payable to American Yacht Club will be required at registration for insurance purposes by each team.

5 CLASSES

- 5.1 Races will be conducted in Ideal 18s provided by the Organizing Authority with appropriate adaptations. All boats are to be sailed as provided by the OA with the exception of pre-approved personal adaptations that may need to be added by a sailor for his/her safety and comfort while sailing.
- 5.2 Boats will be randomly assigned by the OA and then adapted reflecting the specific needs of that skipper and crew and sailed by that pair for the entire regatta. In the case of a severe breakdown of equipment, a spare boat may be substituted for the pair's original boat.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be provided at registration and available online by Tuesday, May 26.

7 SCHEDULE

All regatta scheduled events will be held at the American Yacht Club, Rye, NY

Thursday, May 28

1600-1800 Registration – Event Tent

Friday, May 29

0800 – 1000 Continental Breakfast Sponsored by Green Mountain Coffee Roasters – Event Tent

0900 - 1000 Registration – Event Tent

1000 Competitors and ABs Meeting – Event Tent

1100 – 1200 Practice Sailing

1200 First Warning

1830 Event BBQ, Sponsored by Subaru with Heineken keg and cash bar AYC lawn

Saturday, May 30

0800 – 1000 Continental Breakfast Sponsored by Green Mountain Coffee Roasters – Event Tent

1100 First Warning

1830 Event Dinner – sponsored by Heineken USA, Heineken keg and cash bar – AYC Clubhouse

Sunday, May 31

0800 – 1000 Continental Breakfast Sponsored by Green Mountain Coffee Roasters – Event Tent

1000 First Warning

1500 No Warning Signal after this time

Awards Ceremony following the completion of racing, Heineken keg and cash bar

8 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the waters off Milton Harbor.

9 COURSES

Courses will be windward – leeward as described in the sailing instructions.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 One completed race constitutes a series.
- 10.2 The race committee intends to run multiple races. If fewer than five races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.3 If five or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score subject to rule 90.3 (b).
- 10.4 Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) and will be given two (2) points more than the number of finishers, except that she shall not be scored worse than DNF. This changes rule 35.

11 PRIZES

- 11.1 Prizes will be awarded at the conclusion of racing on Sun. May 31.
- 11.2 Prizes will be awarded for first through fifth place.
- 11.3 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OAs.

12 ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

Each team shall provide and carry a radio capable of transmitting and receiving VHF Channel 1. Except in an emergency, physical need or to report a withdrawal, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and data communication.

13 DOCKAGE AND LAUNCHING

Boats will available at the dock each morning. All boats shall remain in the water for the duration of the regatta unless the OA deems it necessary to haul for repair.

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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.

15 HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION

- 15.1 Competitors are responsible for arranging their own housing and transportation.
- 15.2 Housing is available in member homes for those without adaptive needs. Housing Request forms can be found on the website at: <http://robiepierceonedesignregatta.com>. Deadline for housing requests is 1700, Friday, May 15, 2015.
- 15.3 There are also ADA rooms at nearby hotels with event discount. Rooms must be reserved no later than Friday, May 15 to qualify for the discount. A complete list of hotels is available on the event website, www.robiepierceonedesignregatta.com.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the American Yacht Club, 499 Stuyvesant Avenue, Rye, NY 10580, (914) 967-4800 Website www.americanyc.org

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