



2017 Robie Pierce One-Design Regatta Friday, June 2–Sunday, June 4, 2017

Organizing Authority:
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* (RRS), and the Ideal 18 Class Rules, except as they are altered by the sailing instructions.
- 1.2 RRS Appendix T shall apply.
- 1.3 The US Sailing Prescription Appendix V, Rule V1 shall apply.

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 according to World Sailing Regulation 22 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 25, 2017.

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 22, 2017.
- 4.3 The entry fee of \$150 per sailor is payable online to American Yacht Club through Pay Pal. Entries received after May 22 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 or at registration.
- 4.4 Each team will provide a \$500 refundable damage deposit payable to American Yacht Club at registration for insurance purposes.

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 or 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 at www.robipierceonedesignregatta.com by Tuesday, May 30.

7 SCHEDULE

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

Thursday, June 1

1600-1800 Registration – The Event Tent

Friday, June 2

0800 – 1000 Continental Breakfast – Event tent

0900 – 1000 Registration – Event tent

1000 Competitors and ABs Meeting – Event tent

1100 – 1200 Practice Sailing

1200 First Warning

1830 Event BBQ - Heineken keg and cash bar – Front lawn

Saturday, June 3

0800 – 1000 Continental Breakfast – Event tent

1100 First Warning

1830 Event Dinner – Heineken keg and cash bar – Clubhouse

Sunday, June 4

0800 – 1000 Continental Breakfast – Event tent

1000 First Warning

1500 No Warning Signal after this time

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

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.
- 10.4 Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be given a score equal to two (2) points more than the number of finishers, except that she shall not be scored worse than DNF. This changes Rule 35.
- 10.5 Boats sailing any races with only one disabled sailor (and two ABs) will be assessed a 20% scoring penalty for those races.

11 PRIZES

- 11.1 Prizes will be awarded at the conclusion of racing on Sunday, June 4.
- 11.2 Prizes will be awarded for first through fifth place.
- 11.3 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

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 be 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 a boat for repair.

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored or undertaken by American Yacht Club, Larchmont 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, Larchmont Yacht Club, and their officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, agents and sponsors 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, Larchmont Yacht Club and their officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, agents and/or sponsors, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity. Assistance, if any, from the race committee or other American Yacht Club or Larchmont Yacht Club vessels, or patrol boats, from any personnel manning them, is at the risk of the participant.

15 HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION

- 15.1 Competitors are responsible for arranging their own housing and transportation.
- 15.2 Limited housing is available in member homes for those without adaptive needs. Housing Request forms can be found on the website at: www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com. Deadline for housing requests is 1700, Friday, May 19, 2017.
- 15.3 There are also ADA rooms at nearby hotels with event discount. Rooms must be reserved no later than Friday, May 19 to qualify for the discount. A complete list of hotels is available on the event website, www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

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

Don Dowd/Sandy Weil – Race Committee Chairmen
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Edward Padin, Siobhan Reilly, and Bill Sandberg – Event Co-Chairmen
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