

Notice of Race

Commodore MacDonough Race - September 10-11, 2011

1.0 RULES

The Commodore MacDonough Race is governed by the current International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including US Sailing prescriptions, this Notice of Race and the current LCYC Sailing Instructions except as amended by the Commodore MacDonough Race Special Sailing Instruction.

2.0 CLASSES

The Commodore MacDonough Race will be sailed using LCYC Class assignments as shown below:

Spinnaker Division	CLASS	PHRF Rating
	A	See PART 7, CLASS ASSIGNMENTS
	B	See PART 7, CLASS ASSIGNMENTS
	C	See PART 7, CLASS ASSIGNMENTS
Jib & Main Division	CLASS	PHRF Rating
	A	170 and below
	B	171 and above

3.0 RACING AREA

The race area will include Lake Champlain, Shelburne Bay and be bounded by La Roche Reef to the north and Diamond Island to the south.

4.0 COURSES

4.1 COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

4.1.1 LCYC Class A and LCYC Class B boats sail the LONG COURSE, 73.6 nm in length.

4.1.2 LCYC Class C boats sail the SHORT COURSE, 48.2 nm in length *except those boats with a PHRF rating of 141 sec/mile or less may elect to sail the LONG COURSE.*

4.1.3 Jib & Main (non-spinnaker) Class boats sail the SHORT COURSE, 48.2 nm in length.

4.1.4 All spinnaker boats assigned to LCYC Class C and competing for the Lake Champlain PHRF Championship sail the LONG COURSE, 73.6 nm in length.

4.1.5 All Jib & Main (non-spinnaker boats) competing for the Lake Champlain PHRF Championship sail the LONG COURSE, 73.6 nm in length.

4.1.6 All boats competing for the Lake Champlain PHRF Championship and/or changing course assignments shall notify the Race Committee of their intentions.

4.2 COURSE FOR CLASS A AND CLASS B - LONG COURSE (73.6 NM)

- Start at the Lake Champlain Yacht Club between the Race Committee boat and the adjacent mark;
- Leave RN "2" off Shelburne Point to port;
- Leave RGN "LR" off La Roche Reef to port;
- Leave Diamond Island to port;
- Leave RN "2" off Shelburne Point to starboard;
- Finish at the Lake Champlain Yacht Club between the Race Committee boat and the designated mark.

4.3 COURSE FOR CLASS C AND JIB&MAIN - SHORT COURSE (48.2 NM)

- Start at the Lake Champlain Yacht Club between the Race Committee Boat and the adjacent mark;
- Leave RN "2" off Shelburne Point to port;
- Leave Valcour Island to port;
- Leave Diamond Island to port;
- Leave RN "2" off Shelburne Point to starboard;
- Finish at the Lake Champlain Yacht Club between the Race Committee boat and the designated mark.

5.0 CHANGES TO THE COURSE

5.1 In the event that the race is shortened at Diamond Island, Diamond Island shall be rounded to port and the finish line shall be between the orange flag of the Race Committee boat and the Diamond Island Light.

5.2 The Race Committee may designate an alternate course, on the water, before the warning signal of the first class to start. The alternate course will be announced as follows:

- Raising of the "L" flag/1 sound;
- New course will be orally communicated to each boat and displayed on the Starboard side of the Race Committee boat;
- The "L" flag is lowered after all boats have been notified;

6.0 START:

CLASS:.....	TIME.....	FLAG & SOUND	SIGNAL
Spinnaker B.....	1000.....	Light blue up/1 sound	Warning
.....	1001.....	"P" up/1 sound	Preparatory
.....	1004.....	"P" down/1 long sound	One-minute
.....	1005.....	Light blue down/1 sound	Start
Spinnaker A	1005.....	Green up/1 sound	Warning
.....	1006.....	"P" up/1 sound	Preparatory
.....	1009.....	"P" down/1 long sound	One-minute
.....	1010.....	Green down/1 sound	Start
Jib&Main	1010.....	Yellow up/1 sound	Warning
.....	1011.....	"P" up/1 sound	Preparatory
.....	1014.....	"P" down/1 long sound	One-minute
.....	1015.....	Yellow down/1 sound	Start
Spinnaker C.....	1015.....	Purple up/1 sound	Warning
.....	1016.....	"P" up/1 sound	Preparatory
.....	1019.....	"P" down/1 long sound	One-minute
.....	1020.....	Purple down/I sound	Start

7.0 TIME LIMIT

A boat must finish prior to 1300 hours, plus her PHRF time allowance against the highest rated boat in her class, on September 11, 2011, to be scored.

8.0 SCORING: The race will be scored time-on-time.

9.0 TROPHIES: MacDonough Trophy.

10.0 PROTESTS

10.1 Notice of Intent to Protest shall be filed within twenty-four (24) hours of a boat's finish.

10.2 Protests shall be filed within forty-eight (48) hours of a boat's finish.

10.3 Protests will be heard in accordance with Paragraph 15.0 of the current LCYC Sailing Instructions. Protest Hearings will tentatively be scheduled to take place on Wednesday, September 14, 2011, following the Wednesday Night Race at the LCYC clubhouse.

11.0 SKIPPERS' MEETING: 0830 hrs, on day of race, at the LCYC clubhouse.

12.0 AVAILABILITY NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Commodore MacDonough Special will be available at the LCYC clubhouse on the day of the race or from the Race Committee prior to the first warning signal.

13.0 FINISHING

13.1 Each boat shall notify the Race Committee on VHF 72 upon entering Shelburne Bay on the return leg of the race; an acknowledgement may not be given.

13.2 Each boat should notify the Race Committee on VHF 72 upon nearing the finish area. The Race Committee will then shine spotlight between the orange flag of the Race Committee boat and the finish mark until the boat crosses the finish line. After the boat finishes, the Race Committee may illuminate the boat's sail number to confirm its identification.

13.3 After-dark finishes will be signaled by horn or whistle; first-to-finish in each class will receive two horns or whistles close together.

13.4 A boat finishing after the Race Committee boat has left its station shall record her finishing in accordance with Paragraph 12.1.3 FINISH LINES of the Commodore MacDonough Special Sailing Instructions.

13.5 A boat electing to abandon the race shall notify the Race Committee.

14.0 OTHER

Mooring arrangements may be made-in advance by contacting the head steward at the Lake Champlain Yacht Club.