

Lake Champlain Yacht Club

2017 Wednesday Night Series

May through September

Notice of Race

1.0 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Lake Champlain Yacht Club is the organizing authority for this series.

2.0 OTHER DOCUMENTS THAT GOVERN THIS EVENT

2.1 LCYC Courses and Race Marks which can be found on the LCYC website (www.lcyc.info) under RACING / DOCUMENTS.

3.0 RULES

3.1 This event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

3.2 Boats in all classes except Etchells will use these “alternative” dispute resolution rules:

3.2.1 T1 PENALTIES AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT

The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: ‘A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.’

3.2.2 T2 PENALTIES TAKEN AFTER A RACE

After a race, a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. The penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rules 44.1(a) and (b) apply. A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by informing the race committee in writing and identifying the race number and when and where the incident occurred.

3.2.3 The Post-Race Penalty shall be (a) 20%, if taken before the protest time limit, or (b) 30%, if taken after the protest time limit but before the beginning of a hearing involving the incident.

3.3 After a long postponement, to alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with repetitive sounds at least four (4) minutes before the "AP" is lowered. This changes rule: Race Signals

3.4 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS Rules 29.1, except for the following: The Race Committee may attempt to notify premature starters by hailing and/or by calling on VHF 72. However, failure to hail or call any or all boats(s), or failure of any boat(s) to hear or receive such hail or call will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

3.5 General recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS, Rules 29.2 and 30, except for the following: If a General Recall is made, classes that have not been recalled and not started shall start as though the recall(s) had not been made. Immediately after the last scheduled class has started, the recalled classes will start in the order that they were recalled.

3.6 The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and the adjacent mark unless the course is shortened. If the course is shortened, the finish shall be between an orange flag on a race committee boat (if displayed) and the adjacent mark. If no orange flag is displayed the finish shall be as described in rule 32.2. This changes rule 32.2.

4.0 RACING AREA

The racing will take place in Lake Champlain.

5.0 CLASSES

5.1 Boats will compete in the following classes:

Jib and Main, Etchells, Sportboat, Spinnaker A, Spinnaker B, Spinnaker C, Spinnaker D.

5.2 All boats racing in a Spinnaker Class or the Jib & Main class shall have valid PHRF ratings assigned by the Lake Champlain PHRF Committee. A PHRF rating form may be found at the [Lake Champlain PHRF](http://www.mbbc-vt.org/phrf/) website (<http://www.mbbc-vt.org/phrf/>). PHRF boats will be scored based on corrected time using time-on-time scoring.

5.3 For boats racing in the Etchells class and the Sportboat Class, each boat's class rules apply.

5.4 All boats will make a decision about which fleet they will be sailing in (JAM or Spinnaker) for each series at the time of registration.

6.0 ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

6.1 In order to race and be scored, all participants must register online at <http://lcyg.info/racing/registration>. Decisions about which fleet a boat will sail in (JAM or Spinnaker) will be made when each boat registers. Those decisions will be final for the duration of the sailing season.

6.2 Racing is free for LCYC members and members of MBBC, VSC, and RSYC. Guest racers who are not members of any of those clubs must pay a fee of \$200 to race in one or more of the Wednesday evening series.

7.0 SCHEDULE

7.1 Race dates

Series A: 5/24, 5/31, 6/7, 6/14, 6/21

Series B: 6/28, 7/5, 7/12, 7/19, 7/26

Series C: 8/2, 8/9, 8/16, 8/23, 8/30

Series D: 9/6, 9/13, 9/20, 9/27

7.2 For series A,B, and C, first warning signal will be at 18:10.

For series D, first warning will be at 17:25.

7.3 Etchells class will start first, followed in order by JaM and Spinnaker D, Spinnaker B & Sportboat, Spinnaker A & Spinnaker C.

8.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be posted on the LCYC website (<http://lcyg.info/racing/documents>) before the first race of the year. Any change will be posted on the website and on LCYC's official notice board before 0900 hours on the day it will take effect, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect. LCYC's official notice board is located on the south face of the LCYC clubhouse.

9.0 SCORING

9.1 One race is required to constitute a series.

9.2 Boats will be scored with one throw-out per series if 4 or more races are sailed. If only 3 races are sailed in a series, then scores of all races sailed in that series will be used to determine the series score

10.0 TROPHIES

10.1 Performance within each class for the top three finishers in each series will be recognized.