

• Macdonough Race •
Lake Champlain Yacht Club
Notice of Race (NoR)

1 RULES

1.1 This event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be posted on the LCYC website before the first race of the year. Any changes will be posted on that site before 0900 on the day they will take effect, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 2.2 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the official notice sites.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located online at (<http://lcyg.info/racing/documents>).
- 3.2 The race committee will make official and courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF 72.
- 3.3 All boats shall carry a VHF radio.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats with a valid Lake Champlain PHRF handicap.
- 4.2 For PHRF rating form go to website (<https://mbbc-vt.com/phrf/>).
- 4.3 Boats will compete in the following classes: Jib and Main, Spinnaker A, Spinnaker B, Spinnaker C.
- 4.4 In order to race and be scored, all participants must register online at (<http://lcyg.info/racing/registration>).

5 FEES

- 5.1 There is no fee to participate.

6 VENUE

- 6.1 The racing area includes Lake Champlain and Shelburne Bay.

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Race dates as per the LCYC website: <https://lcyg.info/events/racing>.
- 7.2 There will not be a skippers' meeting ashore. Race committee will use VHF 72 to communicate with the fleet, first broadcast at 0900, others may follow.
- 7.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the Spinnaker division is 1030.
- 7.4 There is a one-minute gap between Spinnaker start and JaM warning.
- 7.5 Jib & Main division warning signal is 1036.

8 COURSES

- 8.1 All boats will sail the course for their class as specified in the sailing instructions and designated by the RC.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 RRS Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, rules V1 & V2, applies.
- 9.2 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration applies.

10 SCORING

10.1 Boats will be scored on corrected time using the time-on-time method based on their Lake Champlain PHRF rating.

11 SAFETY REGULATIONS

11.1 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

11.2 Any time while racing and wind speeds exceed 20 knots all crew members are required to wear a personal flotation device while on deck.

11.3 Any time while racing and conditions merit all crew members are strongly advised to wear a personal flotation device while on deck. Conditions to be considered include but are not limited to crew position, MOB risk, the wearing of foul weather gear, water temperature, air temperature, sea state, wind speed and physical ability.

11.4 **From dusk to sunrise: All crew on deck must wear a life-saving device. It must be equipped with a whistle. Each crew must also have a waterproof flashlight or similar form of visual signal attached to either their life-saving device or their person.**

11.5 No race will be started when sustained winds are in excess of 25 knots.

12 TROPHIES

12.1 This race is part of the Billado / Cannon Series, comprised of eight races: Tea Kettle, Odziozo, Lady Skipper, Mid-Lake, Ladies Cup, Schuyler Island, Macdonough, and Hot-Ruddered Bum.

12.2 The Billado (Spinnaker) and Cannon (Jib & Main) rotating trophies will be awarded to the boat with the lowest overall series score within their division.

12.3 The top three finishers in each class in this series will also be recognized.

12.4 Boats will be allowed 1 throw-out if more than 3 races are sailed, 2 throw-outs if all 8 races are sailed.

12.5 For the series, DNC will be scored = the maximum number of boats that came to the start for any race in the series +1, per division, or per class.

13 RISK STATEMENT

13.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

14 INSURANCE

14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.