

Larchmont Yacht Club

**Organizing Authority (OA)** 

# WINTER RACING SERIES 90th SEASON 2023-2024

# Notice of Race

### 1 RULES

- **1.1** The winter racing series will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and *The Technical Regulations of the Interclub Dinghy* as revised April 20, 1997, as well as the Addendum to this document.
- 1.2 RRS V, Alternative Penalties will apply.

RRS VI, Penalty as the Time of an Incident is modified as follows:

Appendix V1, Penalty at the Time of an Incident, will apply on both windward-leeward courses. On a no-gybe course, Rule 44.3, Scoring Penalty, will apply with the following modifications:

(i) no yellow flag need be flown, but the boat shall inform the race committee of the intention to take the scoring penalty immediately after finishing that race.

(ii) the scoring penalty, based on the number of participants that day, will be 10% if the penalty would have been a One-Turn Penalty in rule V1, and 20% if the penalty would have been a Two-Turns Penalty in rule V1.

- 1.3 Technical Regulation 2.3.1 Hull Weight Fully Rigged, is changed to: Boats fully equipped for racing (i.e. with centerboard, rudder, boom, mast, lines and all fixed fittings) shall weigh at least 230 lbs. This weight excludes the sail, paddle, anchor, bailers, tools and any other personal effects. Changes made during the season which affect the weight of the boat must be reported to the Winter Sailing Committee which may, at its discretion, re-weigh the boat.
- 1.4 Each boat may acquire only one sail in each season. This sail must be inspected and registered by the measurer before use in any race.
- 1.5 Electronic compasses and video cameras are permitted. Use of all other electronic equipment, including GPS-enabled electronic devices, VHF radios and cell phones is prohibited while racing. Photographic evidence is not permitted at protest hearings.
- 1.6 All boats shall exhibit their proper sail numbers. Sail numbers must also be displayed in contrasting colors on the bow no less than 10" in height and within 8" of the stem.
- 1.7 Each boat shall have her own dolly in proper working order, and each skipper shall label the hull number on dolly, mast and rudder. Each boat shall have a 20' painter of floating line properly secured for towing.
- 1.8 RRS 40.2 Personal Flotation Devices shall apply. PFDs shall be non-inflatable, USCG- or CE-approved personal flotation

## 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available after 1800 on Oct. 22, 2023

## **3** COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on the Google Group page and may also be posted on the club website, or emailed to Winter Sailing members.
- 3.2 [DP]While racing, From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Sign up will be at the following link https://larchmontyachtclub.formstack.com/forms/2023\_winter\_sailing\_entry.
- 4.2 Winter Member applicants shall submit a Candidate Questionnaire and the Entry Form and must be approved by

the Winter Sailing Committee prior to participating.

4.3 Guest Skippers shall submit the Entry Form and must be approved by the Winter Sailing Committee prior to participating.

# 5 FEES

- 5.1 Larchmont Yacht Club members entry fee \$300 for the season. include pando boat storage.
- 5.2 Jr. Larchmont Yacht Club members under 21- \$0.00 for the season include pando boat storage.
- 5.3 Winter Sailing Membership for skippers years 30 + old as of the first day of racing 600.00 for the season include boat storage.
- 5.4 Winter Sailing Membership for skippers 21 to 29 old as of the first day of racing \$300.00 for the season include boat storage.
- 5.5 Winter Sailing Membership for skippers 21 old and younger as of the first day of racing \$150.00 for the season include boat storage.
- 5.6 Interclubs not registered to race for the season will be charged a \$1000.00 fee.

# 6 CREW WEIGHT AND AGE

- 6.1 The boat shall be sailed by two people whose combined weight shall be at least 315 lb. Should live crew weight fail to make this minimum, non-movable ballast may be carried to make up the difference. A maximum of 15 lb. of negative buoyancy ballast may be carried. Any additional weight must be neutral or positive buoyancy. Crews shall be weighed dressed for racing, which includes wearing life jackets. Weight jackets are not permitted.
- 6.2 A boat fully equipped for racing weighing in excess of 230 pounds may subtract up to 10 pounds of combined crew weight as specified in SI 6.1 such that the combined fully rigged boat weight and crew weight are a minimum of 545 lb. In order to take advantage of this deduction, both the boat and crew must be weighed by the Winter Sailing Committee.
- 6.3 The race committee may conduct weigh-ins on a random basis following racing. A boat with a combined crew weight that does not meet the minimum will be protested by the race committee and, if found to have broken this rule, will be disqualified from all races sailed that day.
- 6.4 Crew must be at least 8 years old. The Winter Committee chairman may make an exception to this rule. Exceptions must be granted before the crew sails his/her first race.

# 7 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 7.1 Season days are as follows and posted on the Larchmont YC website
- 7.2 October-28 (rigging day) & 29th, 2023 November-5, 11&12 (double weekend), 19, 2023 December- 3, 10, 17. /2023 January- 7, 14, 21, 27&28 (mid-winters), 2024 February- 4, 11, 18, 25, 2024 March- 2&3 (Stanley Bell), 10, 17, 24, 2024 April- 7, 13&14 (Nationals @LYC), 2024 April 26, 2023 Awards Dinner @ LYC
- 7.31315Competitor on water Check-in
  - 1330 First Warning
  - 1630 Chowder and Cookies
- 7.4 Guest skippers and substitute crew shall check in with the race committee prior to the race committee leaving the dock
- 7.5 Skippers sailing with borrowed sails or differing bow numbers shall receive prior permission from the race committee.
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# 8 COURSES AND MARKS

8.1 Courses will be windward-leeward with gates to leeward of the finish ("Windward A") or windward-leeward with the gates to weather of the finish line with two, three, four or five legs ("Windward B") as described in the sailing instructions or No-Gybe as described in sailing instructions.

# 9 SCORING

9.1 DAILY SCORING

- 9.2 Races will be scored based on the high point scoring system. The winner of a race will receive points equal to the total number of competitors who earned a sailed day. Second place receives one less and so on. The winner of the day will have the greatest number of points without exclusion. This changes A2.
- 9.3 Boats scored DSQ, RET, DNS, OCS and DNF will receive zero points for that race.
- 9.4 If the C division is kept ashore at the direction of the race committee or if a C division skipper determines while at LYC that conditions are not appropriate, the C DIV skipper will receive credit for a sailed day as per per the definitions of a *Sailed Day* and *Qualifying Days*, the number of C division boats not racing will be added to the scoring as if they had sailed that day. Skippers who are in both the Masters division and the B division may elect to exercise this "C Fleet Option" with the same scoring treatments as C division boats are given.
- 9.5 A boat that does not come to the starting area on a given day will not be scored. This changes rule A9. A boat that comes to the starting area will receive a sailed day unless electing the C fleet option as per the definitions of a *Sailed Day* and *Qualifying Days* or otherwise notifying the race committee prior to the start of the first race of the day that the boat does not intend to participate that day.

## 9.6 SEASON CHAMPIONSHIP AND FALL, WINTER AND SPRING SERIES

Scoring will be on a percentage basis. A boat's series score will be the total of her scores of her *sailed days* excluding her throw out days earned, if any, divided by the sum of maximum points for those days. Guest skipper's finishes will be excluded when making the percentage calculations.

- 9.7 Those individuals wishing to qualify as co-skippers of the same boat must notify the committee prior to the first day of racing.
- 9.8 Days when boats are sailed by guest skippers will not count toward the regular skipper's qualification.

### 9.9 FALL, WINTER AND SPRING SERIES SCORING

- a) To qualify, boats must earn credit for at least 50% of the *qualifying days*
- b) If a boat has sailed more than the required number of days in the Fall, Winter or Spring series, her score for the series will be the sum of her daily scores excluding her worst percentage days to fill out the required 50% (rounded down).

### 9.10 THE SEASON CHAMPIONSHIP

- a) To qualify, boats must earn credit for at least 50% of the *qualifying days*.
- b) Each boat's score will be calculated on the scores for the days sailed, less the throw out days earned.
- c) One throw out day is earned for a boat that has sailed at least 50% of the *sailed days*, two throw out days for a boat that has sailed 65% of the *sailed days*, and three throw out days for a boat that has sailed at least 80% of the *sailed days*.

#### 9.11 CREW RACE SEASON CHAMPIONSHIP

- a) Crews must participate in 40% of the crew races to qualify for the crew race championship.
- b) Crew race scores will be calculated on a percentage basis. A crew's series score will be the total of her *sailed days*' scores (high point) divided by the sum of the maximum points for those days, with no throw-out days.
- c) Scoring will be based on each individual crew's results as skipper in the crew race. No crew's score will be combined with another crew's score.

## 10 DIVISIONS:

- 10.1 Boats will be scored in three divisions (A, B, and C) as well as overall.
- 10.2 If a skipper did not qualify in the prior year, or is new to the fleet, the race committee will assign the skipper to the division it feels is most appropriate. Typically, a new skipper may not be assigned a division until after at least three days of sailing. A skipper will be scored in the same division throughout the season.
- 10.3 Masters Division: Skippers over 60 years of age by the first day of scheduled racing will compete within a Masters Division in addition to the A, B, or C division. Skippers eligible for Masters may opt out of being scored as Masters by notifying the race committee before their first race of the season.
- 10.4 Women's Division: Female skippers will compete within a Women's Division in addition to the A, B, or C division.
- 10.5 Junior Division: Skipper (for the entire day) is 21 years old and younger on the first day of sailing will compete within a Junior Division in addition to the A, B, or C division.

#### 11 PRIZES

11.1 Daily prizes will go to the boats winning A, B, C, if four or more boats raced in that division.

- 11.2 First, second and third place trophies will be awarded for the Season's Racing and Season Series in Divisions A, B, C, Junior, Women's and Masters with four or more competitors in the division. A number of other prizes will be awarded based on improvement in one series over another, for winning individual races, crew race championship, etc.
- 11.3 Prizes will be awarded at a dinner at the end of the season April 26th, 2024.

## **12 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 12.1 Boats shall not leave the dock prior to the race committee's departure.
- 12.2 Prior to the warning signal of her first race each day, a boat shall sail past the race signal vessel, hail her sail number and be acknowledged by the race committee.
- 12.3 [DP] A boat that retires from a race or does not intend to compete in a race after checking in shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 12.4 It is mandatory that boats in the vicinity of any overturned boat go to the rescue of her crew.
- 12.5 Failure to comply with NOR 12.4 may lead to disqualification and/or the rescinding of a skipper's invitation to participate in LYC Winter Sailing.
- 12.6 Boats going to the rescue of a capsized boat shall report their action to the race committee and will be given credit for that race for finishing in the position at the time of rescue or, if that cannot be determined, by taking their average for the day or other suitable redress as determined by the protest committee. This changes rule A5.

#### 13 RISK STATEMENT

Competitors are reminded of the Disclaimer of Liability to which they agreed on the Entry Form.

#### **14 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, please contact:

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