



# 2023 Robie Pierce Women's Invitational Regatta

Thursday, June 1, 2023

Organizing Authority (OA):  
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, Arbitration, as modified in the sailing instructions will apply.
- 1.3 Penalties At The Time of An Incident - The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will apply.
- 1.4 PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES, RRS 401.1 will apply.

### 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be provided at registration and available online at [www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com](http://www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com) and <https://www.larchmontyc.org> by Tuesday, May 30, 2023.

### 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the veranda of the main clubhouse.
- 3.2 Each team shall provide and carry a radio capable of transmitting and receiving on VHF Channel 1a.
- 3.3 While racing, except in an emergency, physical need, or to report a protest or withdrawal, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats 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.

### 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 All disabled sailors are eligible to compete.
- 4.2 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 categorized as Group 3 according to WS 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 1700 on May 15, 2023
- 4.3 Eligible skippers may enter the event by registering online at [www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com](http://www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com). For registration questions, call Siobhan Reilly at 914-329-2761.
- 4.4 Entry deadline is 1700 May 15, 2023. A minimum of 5 entries must be received no later than 1700 May 15, 2023.
- 4.5 There is no entry fee for this regatta.
- 4.6 A \$500 refundable damage deposit will be required for insurance purposes by each skipper.

### 5 ADVERTISING

- 5.1 No competitor advertising will be permitted.
- 5.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

### 6 BOATS

- 6.1 Races will be conducted in Ideal 18s provided by the OA 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.
- 6.2 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 serious breakdown of equipment, a spare boat may be substituted by the OA for the original boat.

## 7 SCHEDULE

All regatta events will take place at the Larchmont Yacht Club

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0800 – 0900	Registration and Continental Breakfast – Veranda
0915	Competitors' Meeting – Veranda
1000 – 1100	Practice sailing
1100	First Warning
1630	Awards ceremony – snacks, beer and cash bar – Veranda

## 8 VENUE

The racing area will be in the waters off Larchmont Harbor.

## 9 COURSES

Courses will be windward-leeward as described in the sailing instructions.

## 10 SCORING

10.1 One completed race will constitute a series.

10.2 The Race committee intends to run multiple races. When fewer than five races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

10.3 When 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 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 for first through third place.

11.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

## 12 HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION

12.1 Competitors are responsible for arranging their own housing and transportation.

12.2 Limited housing is available in member homes for those without adaptive needs and will be allocated on a first-come first served basis. Housing Request forms can be found on the website at:  
[www.robipierceonlinedesignregatta.com](http://www.robipierceonlinedesignregatta.com). **Deadline for housing requests is 1700, Monday May 15, 2023.**

12.3 A limited number of special rate room have been reserved at nearby hotels. Reservation must be made no later than May 15, 2023 to ensure the rates. A complete list of hotels is available on the event website. When making reservation, please state that you are with the Robie Pierce Regatta. The rate is subject to availability.

## 13 RISK STATEMENT

By registering for this event, the person-in-charge of each boat agrees with the following:

1) My crew and I recognize that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury, sickness and disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19) associated with it. We have read RRS 3, Decision to Race, and hereby acknowledge and agree that we are participating in this event entirely at our own risk.

2) I acknowledge and agree that neither the organizing authority, host club nor the race committee, nor their members will be responsible for: a) any damage to the entered boat or my other property, or b) any injury, sickness or disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19) to my crew or me, including death, sustained as a result of our participation in this event.

3) I hereby waive any rights I may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, host club, race committee, protest committee, sponsors or any other organization or official) with respect to personal injury, sickness or disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19) or property damage suffered by my crew or me as a result of our participation in this event, whether on the water or on shore, and hereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury, sickness or disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19) or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law.

4) I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that my crew and I and my entered boat are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including carrying and using appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law, racing rules and that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.

**I agree to be bound by all rules that govern this event.**

**I will inform all crewmembers of the conditions stated herein for their participation in such racing**

## 14 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the Larchmont Yacht Club, 1 Woodbine Avenue, Larchmont, NY 10538, (914) 834-2440, or the website [www.Larchmontyc.org](http://www.Larchmontyc.org).

Mark S. Dailey & Cynthia A. Parthemos– Race Committee Co-Chairmen  
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