

NOTICE OF RACE — INTERNATIONAL LIGHTNING CLASS ASSOCIATION

2010 New England District Championships,
Women's, Juniors and Masters
Malletts Bay Boat Club — Colchester, VT — July 9-11, 2010

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: The New England District Championship Regatta is organized by Lightning Fleet 301.

RULES: The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Prescriptions of US SAILING, the Rules Governing All Sanctioned Lightning Class District Championships (Class Rules), this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, and any amendments thereto.

ELIGIBILITY: The regatta is open to all boats of the Lightning Class as defined in the Lightning Class rules. However, only members of Fleets of the NE District will be eligible to win the NE District Championship.

All competitors in the Women's Championship must be female. All competitors in the Juniors Championship must be 19 years old or under on December 31, 2010. To compete for the Masters Championship the skipper must be at least 55 years old and the combined age of all three crew members must be at least 130 years.

Eligibility for entry shall be in accordance with Articles V, VI, and XVI of the Class Rules, which Articles apply in their entirety. The following provisions are included here for emphasis only and are not intended to modify the Class Rules except where so noted. Yachts must hold a valid Measurement Certificate and must display a valid membership decal. The boats will check for required safety equipment and be weighed. For the District Championship, Skipper must be a Life or Active Member of the ILCA. Crew must be Life, Active, Associate or Crew Members of the ILCA. Membership is not required for the Women's, Juniors or Masters event.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS: The entry fee is:

Open District Championship: \$100 for US Sailing Members or \$115 for non-member.

Women's District Championship: \$25 for US Sailing Members or \$30 for non-member

Master's District Championship: \$25 for US Sailing Members or \$30 for non-member

Junior's District Championship: no charge

REGISTRATION: Registration will be held from 8:00 to 10:00 on Friday and Saturday July 9-10, 2010.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Friday, July 9	0800-1000	registration and measurement
	1000	WMJ Skipper meeting
	1030	Harbor Start
	11:30	Start of racing
	1730	WMJ Fondue
	1800-2100	registration and measurement
Saturday, July 10	0800-1000	registration and measurement
	1000	Competitors Meeting
	1030	Harbor Start
	1130	Start Race 1, Races 2&3 to follow
	1700	Appetizers
	1800	Dinner Live Entertainment
Sunday, July 11	0930	Harbor Start
	1030	Start Race 4, Race 5 to follow
		Awards will be presented immediately after sailing.

FURTHER INFORMATION:

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The Race Committee may adjust the racing schedule to suit weather conditions. No races may be started after 1400 on Sunday July 11, 2010.

BOAT STORAGE: All yachts must be in the water by 1030 Saturday July 10, and remain in the water for the duration of the regatta except by written permission from the Principal Race Officer (PRO).

RACING AREA: Races will be sailed in Malletts Bay on Lake Champlain.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: The sailing instructions will be available during registration beginning on Friday July 9

COURSES: The courses to be sailed will be provided in the sailing instructions.

NUMBER OF RACES: There are 5 races scheduled for the Championship. All races will be scored.

SCORING: Scoring will be in accordance with the low point scoring system as described in Article VIII of the Class Rules.

ALTERNATE PENALTY: The 720 degree turn penalty as provided in RRS 44.1 and 44.2 shall apply with the following modification: if an infringing boat has its spinnaker drawing at the time of the infringement, she shall have the option of either (1) exonerating herself in

accordance with RRS 44.2 or (2) sailing well clear of the other boats as soon after the incident as possible, promptly drop her spinnaker completely, make one complete 360 degree turn, promptly reset her spinnaker and have it drawing immediately after the penalty. When a boat takes the penalty at or near the finish line, she shall return completely to the course side of the line before finishing.

PROPULSION: RRS 42.3 (b) shall be altered to read: "On a free leg of the course, when surfing (rapidly accelerating down the leeward side of a wave) or planing is possible, the yacht's crew may, in order to initiate surfing or planing, pump the sheet, but not the guy, controlling any sail, but only once for each wave of gust of wind. When the mainsail is pumped, only that part of the sheet between the crew member handling the sheet and the first block on the boom shall be used".

TROPHIES: Trophies will be awarded to the top 3 place skippers and crews for each of the events.

HOUSING: For housing assistance, contact Todd Cox 802-372-4342 toddcoxvt@gmail.com