

International Lightning Class (ILCA)
2023 Midwest District Championship
Saturday and Sunday, July 8 and 9, 2023
South Shore Yacht Club, Milwaukee, WI

Notice of Race

**South Shore Yacht Club (SSYC) Fleet 79 is
the Organizing Authority(OA)**

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as specified in The Racing Rules of Sailing, the ILCA Constitution, By-Laws, Lightning Specifications and the Document Governing A Sanctioned Lightning Class Championships. They are available at <https://www.lightningclass.or/docs/ashx?id=328142>.
- 1.2. US Sailing Prescriptions apply and are available at: <https://cdn.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/2021-2024-US-Prescriptions-Final.pdf>
- 1.3. Boats are required to carry portable equipment in accordance with *ILCA Required Equipment as listed below*:
 - 1.3.1. Fluke-type anchor weighing not less than 4 pounds, with a line not shorter than 50 feet. The line shall be a minimum of 3/8 inches in diameter and shall be made of Nylon or Dacron. This line shall be used only for towing or anchoring.
 - 1.3.2. Compass
 - 1.3.3. Bucket with a minimum capacity of one gallon
 - 1.3.4. Throwable life preserver or cushion with an attached whistle
 - 1.3.5. Paddle
 - 1.3.6. Centerboard preventer
- 1.4. Rules identified below will be changed as noted. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules
 - 1.4.1. RRS 42.3(c) is changed to read: "Except on a beat to windward, when surfing (rapidly accelerating down the front of a wave) or planing is possible, the boat's crew may pull the sheet only, (not the guy), in order to initiate surfing or planing, but each sail may be pulled only once for each wave or 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."
 - 1.4.2. RRS 44 is changed to add the following: "The two turns penalty as provided in RRS Rule 44 will apply with the additional provision that when an infringing yacht has its spinnaker drawing at the time of the infringement, drops it completely (below the gooseneck) while taking her penalty, and resets it immediately and has it drawing after the penalty, the penalty is one turn instead of two."

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS The sailing instructions will be available no later than during registration and check-in times.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The event is open to all boats of the Lightning Class.
- 3.2. Competitors must be members of the ILCA.

- 3.3. Eligible boats may enter the Regatta by completing the registration form and paying the registration fee by Saturday July 8th 2023, 10:00am.
- 3.4. When registering, each competitor may be required to sign a waiver for loss, damage or injury to persons or property incurred in conjunction with the regatta, on the property of the club, or on the water, or during participation in any individual race of the regatta, or from the actions of the ILCA, its officers, the protest committee, the race management team and any sponsors of the Regatta and their members, officers, governors and agents, from liability for such damage or injury.

4. FEES

- 4.1. The entry fee is \$90.00 per boat and includes.
- Awards and Prizes
 - Full guest privileges at SSYC.
 - Coffee/continental breakfast Saturday and Sunday morning
 - Post race refreshments
 - Dinner for skipper and two crew – additional dinners available for purchase.

5. SCHEDULE

- The number of races scheduled shall be 6.
- No warning signal will be made after 1300 on Sunday July 9th.
- Awards will be held Sunday July 9th as soon as practical after racing is completed.
- Schedule of events (subject to change) Daily adjustments may be made based on weather conditions or other factors.

Saturday July 8th		continental breakfast under the tent
	0830	Registration opens
	0930	Competitors Meeting under the tent
	1055	First Warning Signal
		Additional races to follow as weather permits
Sunday July 9 th	0800	continental breakfast under the tent
	0955	First Warning Signal
	1300	Deadline for last warning signal

6. VENUE

- 6.1.1. **South Shore Yacht Club, 2300 E Nock Street, Milwaukee WI**
- 6.1.2. **Racing will be on Lake Michigan, east of SSYC- out side the breakwall.**

7. COURSES

- 7.1.1. **Courses will be Windward/Leeward of 2, 3, or 4 legs.**

8. SCORING

- 8.1. 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 8.2. When six or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding the worst score.

9. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 9.1. Use of hand-held VHF radios will be permitted for communication from the Race Committee to competitors on a predetermined channel to be identified in the Sailing Instructions. The Race Committee may use VHF radio to communicate courtesy broadcasts to competitors. Failure to receive communications to the fleet shall not be cause for redress.
- 9.2. Other use of any communication device is prohibited, and such use shall require withdrawal from the race unless determined by the Race Committee to have been for emergency purposes.

10. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 Decision to Race 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.** The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

11. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of US\$300,000 per event or the equivalent. A copy of insurance company documents establishing that such coverage is current shall be produced if requested by the OA.

12. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 skippers and crews.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

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