

# MELGES<sup>17</sup>

## 2015 Melges 17 National Championship

May 29-31 – Macatawa Bay Yacht Club (MBYC)  
Macatawa, Michigan



**Organizing Authority: Melges 17 Class**

**Host: Macatawa Bay Yacht Club**

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## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1. Rules –

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2. The following rules will be changed as stated –

1.2.1. Race Signal AP – when displayed ashore, 'one minute' is replaced by 'sixty minutes'

1.2.2. 44.1– the 'Two-Turns Penalty' is replaced by the 'One-Turn Penalty'.

1.2.3. App A4.2 – A boat that does not finish (DNF) a race or retires after finishing (RAF) shall be scored one more point than the last boat to finish in that race.

### 2. Eligibility, Entry & Fees –

2.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the Melges 17 Class.

2.2. Eligible boats may enter by going to <http://www.yachtscoring.com> or boats may enter during registration.

2.3. The required fee for the regatta is \$195.00 which includes dinner on Friday & Saturday Night and Lunch Friday and Saturday.

2.3.1. A late fee for registrations after May 23<sup>rd</sup> of \$50.00 will be charged.

### 3. Schedule –

Day	Time	Event	Notes
Friday, May 29th	8:00-11:00 am	Registration	
	11:30 am	Regatta Briefing	
	1:00 pm	First Warning	Up to (3) races planned Post Racing Dinner at the MBYC
Saturday, May 30th	10:00 am	First Warning	Up to (4) races planned
	6:00 pm	Dinner at the MBYC	
Sunday, May 31st	10:00 am	First Warning	Remaining races*

\*No warning signal after 12:30 pm.

4. **Sailing Instructions** – Will be available at registration.

5. **Venue** – will be the West end of Lake Macatawa or Lake Michigan weather permitting.

6. **The Courses** – will be Windward / Leeward courses. The race committee based on conditions will determine length and number of legs.

7. **Penalty System** - RRS 44.1 is changed so that the 'One-Turn Penalty' replaces the 'Two-Turns Penalty'.

### 8. Scoring –

8.1. Eight (8) races are scheduled and one (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

8.2 A boat's score will be the total of her race scores. When six( 6) or more races have been completed, a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

8.3. A boat that does not finish (DNF) a race or retires after finishing (RAF) shall be scored one more point than the last boat to finish in that race. This changes RRS App A4.2.

9. **Boat Launching** – Boats will be dry sailed from the MBYC. *Please remember to bring your lifting bridle for crane launching.*

10. **Prizes** – will be awarded to crews placing 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> and top Junior (18 and younger)

11. **Disclaimer of Liability** — Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

## End of Notice of Race

### Social -

**Friday** – Box lunch prior to racing included with registration. Pizza dinner? After racing.

**Saturday** - Box lunch either before sailing or during a quick break included with registration. 6:00pm Dinner. Be there, it will be great! Entry includes 2 dinners; extras will be available for a reasonable cost at registration.

**Sunday** — Awards after racing at MBYC.

\*Sunday Lunch will be available at the MBYC for an additional charge.

\*Additional dinners will be available during registration.

**Parking and Launching** — MBYC will make space available in our parking lot for M-17's. We strongly encourage boats to be walked to the cranes for launching. **REMINDER BRING YOUR LIFTING BRIDLE.** There are also 2 ramps available for launching.

**T- Shirts** – will be available for an additional charge if you pre-order only on YachtScoring.com or with your registration form prior

