



**International Lightning Class Association  
Master Worlds Championship**  
Carolina Yacht Club  
Wrightsville Beach, NC, USA  
May 12 -16, 2022

**NOTICE OF RACE**

**Amended April 14, 2022 Added 5.3**

**Amended May 13, 2022 Modify 1.4**

International Lightning Class Association, Cape Fear Fleet 511 and the Carolina Yacht Club,  
are the organizing authority.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule.  
This changes RRS 60.1(a).

**1. RULES**

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the *ILCA Constitution, By-Laws, Lightning Specifications* and the *Document Governing All Sanctioned Lightning Class Championships (hereafter referred to as Document Governing)*. They are available at <https://www.lightningclass.org/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 *NOR Addendum ILCA Required Equipment*. (attached)
- 1.4. Appendix T Arbitration applies. ~~[T2, T3 and T4 are deleted]~~
- 1.5. The rules identified below will be changed as noted. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
  - 1.5.1. RRS 27.3 is changed to add the following: "The RC or OA shall not abandon (or cancel) a scheduled race, or races, before the starting signal without approval of the Class Representative.
  - 1.5.2. 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."
  - 1.5.3. RRS 44 is changed to add the following: "The Two-Turns penalty as provided in RRS 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 a One-Turn instead of a Two-Turn.”

- 1.6. If there is a conflict between languages, the text written in its original English Document will take precedence.

## **2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available no later than May 12, 2022 online at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14815> and will be available at the registration desk in the club ball room during registration and check-in times.

## **3. COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1. 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 intends to use VHF radio to identify OCS (On Course Side of the line) boats after starts and otherwise communicate with the fleet on the water. Failure to receive a hail, for a hail to be made, the order of hails made, or receive other communications to the fleet shall not be cause for redress.
- 3.2. Other use of any communication device is prohibited, and such use shall require retirement from the race unless determined by the Race Committee to have been for emergency purposes.
- 3.3. The official Notice Board for competitors will be located online at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14815>

## **4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1. The event is open to all skippers who will have reached their 55<sup>th</sup> birthday on or before December 31, 2022. The minimum combined age of skipper and crew is 130 years as of December 31, 2022. Participants may be required to show a photo ID or other proof of age at registration.
- 4.2. All skippers must be ILCA Life, Active or Associate members in good standing. Crew must be ILCA members in good standing.
- 4.3. Eligible boats may enter the Regatta by completing the registration form and paying the registration fee online at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14815> beginning December 15, 2021 at 0900 Eastern Time.
- 4.4. There is a limit of 80 entries. These will be assigned in the order that they are received when on-line registration opens. A waiting list will be maintained after we reach the limit.
- 4.5. When registering, each competitor will 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.

## **5. FEES**

- 5.1. The entry fee is \$450 USD. Fee includes:
  - Entry for skipper and crew to all regatta social activities scheduled
  - Awards and Prizes
  - Full guest privileges at the club including parking, beach access, and access to all of the

club's facilities.

- A guest card allowing charges to the competitors credit card will be issued this card shall be used for all CYC purchases, dining and bar services.

5.2. A late fee of \$50 USD will be charged for payments received after April 7, 2022.

5.3. Registration will close on April 25, 2022.

## 6. CREW LIMITATIONS

Crew shall be three, all of whom shall be ILCA members as per ILCA By-Laws.

## 7. ADVERTISING

7.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

7.2. As per World Sailing Regulation 20 (the Advertising Code) the International Lightning Class Association restricts competitor advertising to hulls only.

7.3. Boats will be required to display hull numbers supplied by the Organizing Authority.

## 8. SCHEDULE

8.1. The number of races scheduled shall be 6.

8.2. The Race Committee will hold no more than two (2) races each day, provided however that a maximum of three (3) races may be sailed if determined necessary by the PRO given weather conditions to achieve a six-race series.

8.3. No Warning Signal will be made after 3:00pm Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup>.

8.4. Schedule of Events .

Day	Event	Time
May 12, Thursday	Registration check-in, boat and sail measurement	9am -6pm
May 13, Friday	Registration check-in, boat and sail measurement	9am -4pm
	Warning signal of the Practice Race	1pm
	Competitor's meeting	6:00 pm
	Welcome celebration	6:30 pm
May 14, Saturday	Warning signal of the first race of the day	12:00 noon
May 15, Sunday	Warning signal of the first race of the day	12:00 noon
May 16, Monday	Warning signal of the first race of the day	12:00 noon
	Awards	5:30 pm
	World Championship Opening Ceremonies	6:30 pm

## 9. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION [DP]

9.1. Each boat shall hold and produce a valid Measurement Certificate at measurement and must display a current ILCA membership decal. Boats, sails, and equipment will be measured and inspected in accordance with the Lightning Class By-Laws.

9.2. All sails shall have Official ILCA Royalty Labels. Mainsail and spinnaker numbers shall be the same. Spinnaker numbers shall be of a sufficiently contrasted color to make sail number identification possible.

9.3. Competitors are advised that the Chief Measurer or a designated representative may make spot measurements and inspection of required equipment on or off the water during the Championship. Boats may be inspected at any time.

9.4. Boats shall be available for measurement on May 12 & 13 unless other arrangements are made with the OA.

## **10. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT**

RRS 50 is not changed.

## **11. VENUE**

11.1. Location of Carolina Yacht Club: 401 South Lumina Avenue, Wrightsville Beach, NC

11.2. Racing will be held in the Atlantic Ocean.

## **12. COURSES**

Course will be windward/leeward that may include an offset mark and a gate, as described in the sailing instructions.

## **13. PENALTY SYSTEM**

RRS 44 as amended by NOR 1.5.3

## **14. SCORING**

14.1. The low point system of RRS Appendix A will apply.

14.2. When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

14.3. When 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

14.4. One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

## **15. SUPPORT BOATS [DP]**

15.1. Support boats must register with the OA during the registration hours.

15.2. Team leaders, coaches, and other support personnel shall stay outside the racing area (defined as 100 meters outside the lay lines of the course including the start area) and comply with other requirements as specified in the Sailing Instructions. These requirements begin from the preparatory signal of the first race of the regatta until the finish of the last race of the regatta. Individual competitors may not use support boats at any time during the regatta unless such support is available to all competitors or is authorized by the Race Committee. The penalty for failure to comply with any of these requirements may result in protest of all boats associated with the infringing support personnel.

15.3. Spectator boats shall not communicate with competitors on the water unless the RC requests that they do so for safety reasons.

## **16. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS**

A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the race committee has approved her sail identification before the first race.

## **17. BERTHING [DP]**

Boats shall be kept in the boats space selected by the competitor, or as assigned by the OA, at the beginning of the regatta while they are in the boat park.

## **18. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

The organizers plan to support dry sailing for the event.

## 19. CLEANING OF BOATS

There will be no undue restrictions on cleaning of boats.

## 20. SECTION INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK

## 21. 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.

## 22. 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.

## 23. PRIZES

- 23.1. Prizes will be awarded to the top ten placing skippers and crews.
- 23.2. Perpetual Trophy will be presented to the World Master's Champion.
- 23.3. The highest-placing skipper who has reached his or her 65<sup>th</sup> birthday by December 31, 2022 shall win the Grand Master Trophy.
- 23.4. The highest-placing skipper who has reached his or her 75<sup>th</sup> birthday by December 31, 2022 shall win the Great Grand Master Trophy.

## 24. FURTHER INFORMATION

### **International Lightning Class Association**

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Housing information will be posted on the Yachtscoring event website:

<https://yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eid=14815>

## NOR Addendum ILCA Required Equipment

### Portable Equipment

#### a. Mandatory

- i) A fluke-type anchor weighing not less than 1.8Kg (4lb) with a line not shorter than 15.24m (50ft). The line shall be a minimum of 9.525mm (3/8 inches) in diameter and shall be made of Nylon or Dacron. This line shall be used only for towing or anchoring. Alternatives may be prescribed in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions.
- ii) Compass.
- iii) Bucket with a minimum capacity of one gallon.
- iv) Throwable life preserver or cushion with an attached whistle.
- v) Paddle
- vi) Other lifesaving equipment as required by government regulations.

#### b. Optional

- i) Electronic Equipment – the following electronic devices are allowed aboard a Lightning in 2022:
  - 1) Battery-powered wrist watches.
  - 2) An electronic digital compass with chronograph (timer and/or clock). The compass must be entirely self-contained with either an internal battery and/or solar power. The compass shall have no external connection and shall neither provide wind or boat speed nor compute correlations between time and distance.
  - 3) Other hand-held navigational devices. Use while racing is not permitted except for emergencies.
  - 4) Hand-held communication devices (cell phones, pagers, radios, etc.) with the following restrictions:
    - a) For this regatta, use is not permitted on the water except for emergencies. This restriction is modified to allow communication from the Race Committee to competitors on a predetermined Marine VHF channel.
    - b) The RC intends to communicate with competitors using a VHF Channel to be announced and will attempt to communicate to OCS boats using the same VHF Channel. Competitors should bring their own VHF radio. Failure or delay in this procedure shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 60.1 (b).
  - 5) Personal medical devices, attached to an individual, required for a person's well-being are allowed if they are medically necessary.
  - 6) In all cases where the use of electronic devices is not permitted, a competitor's use shall require retirement from the race unless the Race Committee deems use was for emergency reasons.