



2011 J/80 North American Championship



September 28 to October 2

Hosted by

Larchmont Yacht Club

Larchmont, NY

NOTICE OF RACE

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The organizing authority for this regatta is Larchmont Yacht Club (LYC), Larchmont, NY (<http://www.larchmontyc.org>) in conjunction with the International J/80 Class Association (<http://www.j80.org>) and the USA J/80 Class Association.

2. RULES

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

2.2 In accordance with RRS Appendix G3, a boat chartered or loaned for this event may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of the CR.

3. ELIGIBILITY

3.1 The Regatta is open only to members of the J/80 Class (IJCA) as defined by the J/80 Class Rules (CR) and in compliance with the current rules of the J/80 Class Association.

3.2 This event is a "Member" event and Helmsperson eligibility shall be determined in accordance with CR C.2

3.3 Copies of the following referencing the appropriate J/80 shall be required for registration to document eligibility:

Certificate of Title, Certificate of Liability Insurance

4. ENTRIES

4.1 Entries are to be made online. www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=473

4.2 The fee for entries is \$500 per boat. The entry fee includes launch and haul; 3 days of racing; mooring space; social activities for skippers and up to 3 additional crew members on Friday and Saturday evenings, and awards reception on Sunday after racing.

4.3 All boats shall present a valid J80 Measurement Certificate, proof of IJCA membership for the owner and helmsman, a completed Owner Regatta Declaration, an Event Release, a signed Crew

Weight Declaration and a waiver for minors (for sailors under the age of 18) before the close of check-in.

4.4 Entries will not be accepted after 1600 on September 26, 2011. A late fee of \$75.00 will be applied after September 8, 2011.

4.5 An entry is not complete and a boat will not be permitted to compete until the entry fee and all documentation required in 4.3 have been filed with the organizing authority.

5. MEASUREMENT

5.1 Each boat must possess a valid Measurement Certificate.

5.2 All helmsmen and crew will be weighed at check-in in accordance with CR C.3.1.

5.3 Boats and sails may be subject to inspection and measurement to ensure compliance with the CR as provided by RRS 78.

6. SCHEDULE:

Wednesday, Sept 28 1200 - 1700 Launching

1000 – 1900 Check-in, Measurement & Crew Weigh-In

Thursday, Sept 29 0800 – 1700 Launching

1000 - 1900 Check-in, Measurement & Crew Weigh-In

1900 – Competitors' meeting at LYC

Friday, September 30 1040 Warning Signal for first race

Additional races to follow

Competitors should note that lunch will be on the water. Please provide your own lunches.

1900: Drinks and appetizers at LYC

Saturday, October 1, 1040 Warning Signal for first race

Additional races to follow

Competitors should note that lunch will be on the water. Please provide your own lunches.

1900 Buffet Dinner at Larchmont Yacht Club

Sunday, October 2, 1040 Warning Signal for first race

Additional races to follow

No warning after 1300.

Following racing Awards Presentation

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at www.yachtscoring.com and at registration.

8. COURSES

Windward / Leeward courses will be sailed on Long Island Sound. Leeward gates and offset marks may be used at the discretion of the race committee.

9. SCORING

9.1 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series

9.2 When fewer than six races have been completed, each boat's series score will be the sum of her scores for all races. When six or more races have been completed, each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10. CREW

Each boat's crew shall not be changed during the regatta, except with a written request for crew substitution and prior written approval by the race committee. Substitution after the skippers meeting will be permitted only in exceptional circumstances.

11. PRIZES

11.1 Daily Prizes will be awarded for the winner of each race.

11.2 Overall prizes will be awarded for first through fifth place.

12. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

13. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

14.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

14.2 The Signal boat will communicate with competitors on VHF.

15. RESPONSIBILITY

15.1 The safety of a boat and its crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Skipper who must ensure that the boat is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced and physically capable crew. Neither the establishment of regulations or inspection of a boat in any way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the Skipper.

16. MEDIA RIGHTS

By entering this event, competitors give absolute right and permission to the Larchmont Yacht Club, ISAF Recognized J/80 Class Association, and the J/80 Class Association USA Fleet#17 for any photography and video footage taken of persons and boats during the event to be published in any media worldwide whatsoever for any editorial, promotional, and advertising purposes and to be used in press information.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

As a condition of participating: My crew and I recognize that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury associated with it. We have read RRS 4, Decision to Race, and hereby acknowledge and agree that we are participating in this event entirely at our own risk. I acknowledge and agree that neither the organizing authority 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 to myself or my crew, including death, sustained as a result of the participation of myself, my crew and the boat in this event. I hereby waive any rights I may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by myself or my crew as a result of our participation in this event and hereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law. I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that myself, my crew and the entered boat are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law or that a prudent seaman would consider advisable. "

18. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per event or the equivalent.

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact event coordinator:

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