



# 2022 Robie Pierce Women's Invitational Regatta

Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

Organizing Authority (OA):

Larchmont Yacht Club & American Yacht Club

## Notice of Race

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the Ideal 18 Class Rules, except as they are altered by the sailing instructions.
- 1.2 Penalties at the time of an incident- The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will apply.
- 1.3 RRS 40.1 Personal Flotation Devices will be in effect.

### 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be provided at registration and available online at [www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com](http://www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com) by Tuesday, June 1, 2022 at 1200.

### 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located under the tent near the docks.
- 3.2 Each team shall provide and carry a radio capable of transmitting and receiving on VHF Channel 5a.
- 3.3 While racing, except in an emergency, physical need, or to report a protest or withdrawal, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and data communication.

### 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 All women disabled sailors are eligible to compete.
- 4.2 Each boat shall have a skipper and crew who are disabled, plus one able bodied (AB) member whose sole responsibilities will be for ballast and to perform physical functions the crew cannot. No coaching by ABs will be allowed.
  - a) No sailor categorized as Group 3 according to WS Regulation 22 shall be allowed to sail as an AB.
  - b) Participants are encouraged to provide their own ABs; but for those participants unable to provide an AB, the OA will provide one if requested no later than Friday, May 27, 2022.
- 4.3 Eligible skippers may enter the event by registering online at [www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com](http://www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com). For registration questions, call Siobhan Reilly at 914-329-2761.
- 4.4 Entry deadline is 1700 Friday, May 27, 2022.
- 4.5 There is no entry fee for this regatta.
- 4.6 A \$500 refundable damage deposit will be required for insurance purposes by each skipper.

### 5 ADVERTISING

- 5.1 No competitor advertising will be permitted.
- 5.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

### 6 BOATS

- 6.1 Races will be conducted in Ideal 18s provided by the OA with appropriate adaptations. All boats are to be sailed as provided by the OA with the exception of pre-approved personal adaptations that may need to be added by a sailor for his or her safety and comfort while sailing.
- 6.2 Boats will be randomly assigned by the OA and then adapted reflecting the specific needs of that skipper and crew and sailed by that pair for the entire regatta. In the case of a serious breakdown of equipment, a spare boat may be substituted by the OA for the original boat.

## **7 SCHEDULE**

All regatta events will take place at the American Yacht Club

Friday, June 3

0800 – 0900	Registration and Continental Breakfast –Tent
0915	Competitors' Meeting – Tent
1000 – 1100	Practice sailing
1100	First Warning
1630	Awards ceremony – snacks, beer and cash bar – Tent

## **8 VENUE**

The racing area will be in the waters off Milton Harbor.

## **9 COURSES**

Courses will be windward-leeward as described in the sailing instructions.

## **10 SCORING**

10.1 One completed race will constitute a series.

10.2 The race committee intends to run multiple races. When fewer than five races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

10.3 When five or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10.4 Boats sailing any races with only one disabled sailor (and two ABs) will be assessed a 20% scoring penalty for those races.

## **11 PRIZES**

11.1 Prizes will be awarded for first through third place.

11.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

## **12 COVID-19 PROTOCOLS**

Skippers and crews shall be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. A breach of this rule shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

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Skippers and crews shall be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. A breach of this rule shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a) Please do not come to the regatta if you are showing flu-like symptoms, have been in contact with anyone diagnosed with COVID-19 within the last 14 days or if you have travelled to any country that is under travel advisory by the CDC.

## **14 RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY, WAIVER & RELEASE**

By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed, or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club, the owner, helmsman and each crew member agree, understand and accept, for themselves and their respective successors, assigns, representatives, administrators, executors, agents, heirs or any person acting or purporting to act on their behalf ("Releasors") that sailing is an inherently dangerous and unpredictable activity due to multiple factors that cannot be anticipated or predicted with certainty, including but not limited to weather, equipment failure or malfunction, and the actions of others on or off the water, injury, sickness and disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19). Releasors also agree, understand and accept that sailing presents inherent risks of serious bodily injury (including permanent disability, paralysis, and death, whether by drowning or otherwise, sickness and disease (including communicable diseases), property damage and other economic loss. Accordingly, and in consideration for being permitted to enter into and participate in this or any other sailing event sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club, Releasors forever release and waive, to the fullest extent allowed by law, any and all claims, actions, accounts, causes of action and choses in action, whether in law, equity or admiralty, that Releasors now have, may have had or may come to have, against American Yacht Club, including its officers, directors, trustees, members, employees, agents, volunteers, staff, committees, and anyone acting on its behalf ("Releasees"), for anything arising out of or relating to Releasors' participation in such sailing events (including contracting communicable diseases such as Covid-19). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, and without in any way limiting or lessening the effect or breadth of the foregoing release and waiver, and solely for the avoidance of doubt and clarification, Releasors agree, acknowledge and understand that this release and waiver applies to any and all claims of any kind at all against Releasees arising out of or relating to injuries, deaths, sickness and disease (including communicable diseases

such as Covid-19), damage to vessels or damage to personal property sustained during or as a result of any and all sailing events sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club.

**14 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact the American Yacht Club, 499 Stuyvesant Avenue, Rye NY 10580 914 967 4800, or its website [www.Americanyc.org](http://www.Americanyc.org).

Andy P. Giglia– Race Committee Chairman

Richard Hult–Principal Race Officer

Edward Padin, Siobhan Reilly and Bill Sandberg – Event Chairmen

John Fryer – Protest Committee Chairman