



2025 Robie Pierce One-Design Regatta
Friday, May 30 – Sunday, June 1, 2025
Organizing Authority (OA):
Larchmont Yacht Club & American Yacht Club



Notice of Race

[DP] The notation ‘[DP]’ in a *rule* means that the penalty for a breach of the *rule* may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, as modified in the sailing instructions, will apply.
- 1.3 Penalties at the Time of an Incident - The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will apply.
- 1.4 PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES, RRS 401.1 will apply.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be provided at registration and available online at www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com and www.larchmontyc.org by Tuesday, May 27, 2025.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the Veranda of the Clubhouse. As a courtesy, notices may also be transmitted via WhatsApp. Failure to do so will not be grounds for redress.
- 3.2 [DP] Each boat shall carry a radio capable of communicating on VHF Channel 73.
- 3.3 [DP] 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. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and data communication.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 All sailors with a physical or neurological disability are eligible to compete.
- 4.2 Eligible skippers, crews and able-bodied members (AB) must enter the event by registering online at https://larchmontyachtclub.formstack.com/forms/2025_robie_pierce. For registration questions, call Siobhan Reilly at 914-329-2761.
- 4.3 Participants are encouraged to provide their own ABs; but for those participants unable to provide an AB, the OA will assign one if requested no later than 1700 on May 20, 2025.
- 4.4 Entry deadline is 1700 May 23, 2025.

5. FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee for this regatta is \$150. Participant provided AB entry fee is \$75.
- 5.2 A \$1,000 refundable damage deposit via credit card will be required for insurance purposes from each skipper.
- 5.3 Registration is limited to 20 boats on a first-come, first-served basis.

6. DIVISIONS

- 6.1 There may be two divisions.
Division 1 shall have (i) a disabled skipper, a disabled crew and a designated able-bodied sailor as described



in the Sailing Instructions (SI) Appendix B (AB), or (ii) (at the direction of the OA) a disabled skipper, an AB, and an able-bodied crew pursuant to SI 19.2.

Division 2 shall have an able-bodied skipper, a disabled crew and an AB, pursuant to SI 19.3.

6.2 No sailor categorized as Group 3 according to World Sailing Regulation 22 shall be allowed to sail as an AB.

7 ADVERTISING

7.1 No competitor advertising will be permitted.

7.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

8 BOATS

8.1 Races will be conducted in Ideal 18's, provided by the OA.

8.2 Boats will be randomly assigned by the OA and sailed by the same team for the entire regatta except with permission of the OA.

8.3 All boats are to be sailed as provided by the OA with the exception of personal adaptations pre-approved by the OA that may need to be added by a sailor for his or her safety and comfort while sailing.

8.4 In the case of a serious breakdown of equipment, a spare boat may be substituted by the OA for the original boat.

9 SCHEDULE

All regatta scheduled events will be held at the Larchmont Yacht Club in Larchmont, NY.

Thursday, May 29

1600-1800 Check In – Veranda

Friday, May 30

0830 – 1000 Continental Breakfast – Veranda

0900 – 1000 Late Check In

1000 Skipper, Crew and AB Meeting – Veranda

1100 – 1200 Practice sailing

1200 Scheduled First Warning Signal

1800 Event BBQ – The Pandemonium

Saturday, May 31

0830 - 1000 Continental Breakfast – The Veranda

1100 Scheduled First Warning Signal

1800 Event Dinner – The Pandemonium

Sunday, June 1

0830 - 1000 Continental Breakfast – Regatta Tent

1100 Scheduled First Warning Signal

1500 No Warning Signal after this time

Awards Ceremony following the completion of racing – Veranda.

10 VENUE

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

11 COURSES

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

12. SCORING

12.1. One completed race constitutes a series.

12.2. 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.

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

12.4. Boats sailing any races in Division 1 with only one disabled sailor (and two ABs) will be assessed a 20% scoring penalty for those races.



13. PRIZES

- 13.1. Prizes will be awarded at the conclusion of racing on Sunday, June 1.
- 13.2. Prizes will be awarded for first through fifth place.
- 13.3. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

14. DOCKAGE AND LAUNCHING

Boats will be available at the dock each morning. All boats shall remain in the water for the duration of the regatta unless the OA deems it necessary to haul a boat for repair.

15 HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION

- 15.1 Competitors are responsible for arranging their own housing and transportation.
- 15.2. Limited housing is available in member homes for those without adaptive needs and will be allocated on a first-come first served basis. Housing Request forms can be found on the website at: www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com. **Deadline for housing requests is 1700, Monday May 5, 2025.**
- 15.3. Area hotel information can be found on the regatta website. It is suggested that room reservations be made early, as this is a busy time of year.
- 15.4 A limited fund for competitor travel is available. Go to the event website for details. www.robiepiercedesignregatta.com

15. RISK STATEMENT, RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY, WAIVER & RELEASE

By registering for this event, the person-in-charge of each boat agrees with the following:

- 1) My crew and I recognize that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury, sickness and disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19) associated with it. We have read RRS 3, Decision to Race, and hereby acknowledge and agree that we are participating in this event entirely at our own risk.
- 2) I acknowledge and agree that neither the organizing authority, host club 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, sickness or disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19) to my crew or me, including death, sustained as a result of our participation in this event.
- 3) I hereby waive any rights I may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, host club, race committee, protest committee, sponsors or any other organization or official) with respect to personal injury, sickness or disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19) or property damage suffered by my crew or me as a result of our participation in this event, whether on the water or on shore, and hereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury, sickness or disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19) or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 4) I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that my crew and I and my entered boat are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including carrying and using appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law, racing rules and that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.

I agree to be bound by all rules that govern this event.

I will inform all crewmembers of the conditions stated herein for their participation in such racing

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

Registration Information: Siobhan Rielly, reillyreillyhere@gmail.com, 914-329-2761

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Travel: Bill Sandberg, william.l.sandberg@gmail.com, 203-219-7256

Karen Ronan– Race Committee Chairman
Cynthia A. Parthemos–Principal Race Officer
Edward R. Padin, Siobhan Reilly, and Bill Sandberg – Event Co-Chairmen
Collamore Crocker – Protest Committee Chairman

