

NOTICE OF RACE

2018 Mississippi Valley Districts

Fleet 262 and Harbor Island Yacht Club

1. **INVITATION** – International Lightning Class Association (ILCA) Fleet 262 and Harbor Island Yacht Club cordially invite you and your crew to attend the *2018 Mississippi Valley District Lightning Class Championship*, June 9th and 10th on Old Hickory Lake in Old Hickory, TN. This regatta has been sanctioned in accordance with the bylaws of the ILCA.
2. **RULES**
 - 2.1. The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined by [The Racing Rules of Sailing \(RRS\)](#) and all Rules governing a Lightning Class District Championships.
 - 2.2. Changes to the following RRS sections will be made for this regatta: 29.1 (Individual Recall), 33(a) (Changing the Next Leg of the Course), 35 (Time Limit and Scores), 42.3(b) Propulsion, 44.2 (Two-Turns Penalty), 62.1(a) (Redress), A4.1 (Scoring), A2 (Series Scores), A4.2 (Low Point Scoring System), A7 (Race Ties), Race Signal AP (Postponement).
3. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration. A draft is available at www.hiyc.org.
4. **CLASSES, ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**
 - 4.1. The regatta will be open to all Lightnings as defined by the ILCA.
 - 4.2. Skippers and crew must meet all class membership requirements and their boats must meet all measurement requirements.
 - 4.3. Participants must enter by completing registration at the table in the HIYC clubhouse before the skippers' meeting.
5. **CONDITIONS** - The ILCA Executive Committee, the ILCA Measurement Committee or their designated representatives (in that order) shall rule on a boat's eligibility in all instances including such instances as those described in RRS 75, 78 and 64.3.
6. **FEES**
 - 6.1. The Regatta registration fee is \$45.00.
 - 6.2. Lunches will be available for purchase. The cost is \$6.00 per person per day.
 - 6.3. Dinner will be enjoined on Saturday evening at a restaurant near HIYC TBD.
7. **SCHEDULE** - The official time will be kept by the Race Committee Clock above the coffee maker in the clubhouse ashore and by the PRO's watch (synchronized to the RC Clock) on the race committee boat on the water.
 - 7.1. **SATURDAY JUNE 9, 2018**
 - 8:00 am: Registration, Coffee and Donuts
 - 9:00 am: Skippers' Meeting
 - 10:25 am: Warning Signal for Race
 - 6:30pm: Dinner.
 - 7.2. **SUNDAY JUNE 10, 2018**
 - 8:00 am: Coffee and Donuts
 - 9:25 am: Warning Signal for Race
 - 3:00 pm: Trophy Presentation

8. RACING

9.1 The racing will consist of buoy courses

9.2 One race will constitute a series

9.3 No races will start after 1:00 pm Sunday

9. THE SITE, RACING AREA AND COURSE

9.1 [Harbor Island Yacht Club](#) will be the site of all shore-side activities. Launching, docking and hauling may be done at Harbor Island Yacht Club free of charge. Access to the club is through a security gate. Non-HIYC members may scroll down to and dial CLUB on the gate control panel and ask that it be opened

9.2 The racing area is between mile Cumberland River 216.5 and mile 227 on [Old Hickory Lake](#). The Distance Course will begin at a starting line between mile 220 and mile 225. The course will be further described in the Sailing Instructions.

9.2.1 The "Upper Course" is approximately one mile northeast of the harbor entrance, below Lindsley's Light.

9.2.2 The "Lower Course" is just west of the harbor entrance, between the mouth of Shute's Branch and the mouth of Drake's Creek..

9.3 The Upper and Lower Courses, set on Old Hickory Lake, may intersect the navigational channel. Commercial traffic (barges) and deep-draft craft in the channel have right-of-way over sailboats and must be treated with utmost respect. **When a boat sailing under these rules meets a vessel that is not, the rules of Part 2 (When Boats Meet) are replaced by the [Inland Navigation Rules](#). Any boat impeding the passage of a right-of-way vessel is subject to protest by the race committee or the protest committee.**

10. SCORING

10.1. All other boats will be scored in accordance with RRS A4.1: Low Point Scoring System.

10.2. Each boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races, excluding her worst score if six or more races are completed. This changes rule A2.

10.3. DNC, DNS, DNF, and RAF will be scored points for the finishing place equal to one more than the number of boats that are eligible to start in the race.

10.4. OCS, BFD, DSQ, DNE and DGM will be scored points for the finishing place equal to two more than the number of boats that are eligible to start in the race. This changes RRS A4.2.

10.5. RDG will be scored points for the finishing place awarded her after a hearing for request for redress.

10.6. Boats which tie in a single race shall score points equal to the best position involved. The position(s) immediately after shall remain vacant (if two boats tie for first place, both are scored 1 point, and the next boat to finish scores 3 points). This changes RRS A7.

11. **PRIZES** - Trophies will be awarded to the top three (3) finishers.

12. **WAIVER** - Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Competitors agree that 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. As an inducement to the race organizers to produce the regatta, each competitor agrees that by participating in this event each competitor is deemed to have waived all claims against and released the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law and is deemed to have warranted that he has obtained this same release of the race organizers by each crew member.

13. **INSURANCE** - Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

14. **FURTHER INFORMATION** - For further information, please contact Bill Killebrew at (615) 604-1684 or send email to billkillebrew@comcast.net