



# Liberty Cup Regatta – September 14-15, 2019

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Organizing Authority (OA) - Liberty Yacht Club

## Notice of Race

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), including the US SAILING prescriptions, and *The J/105 Class Rules* (CR), with the exception of provisions under 1.2. For the PHRF divisions, the current PHRF Regulations administered by the PHRF-MA.
- 1.2 For the J105 Class, RRS rule 87, CR 7.1 may be amended in the sailing instructions to allow for one junior crew.
  - a. Junior crew shall be defined as a crew member under the age 15 whose weight shall not be included in overall crew weight limit.

### 2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Open to PHRF and one-design (“OD”) classes. PHRF competitors must have valid 2019 PHRF-MA certificates. OD competitors must follow applicable class eligibility rules. A minimum of 5 boats is required for an OD start. Class and PHRF division splits will be posted prior to 2130 hours on Friday, September 13, 2019 on the Yacht Scoring website.
- 2.2 The Organizing Authority may reject the entry of any yacht that does not in its consideration meet the general parameters of the other yachts entered with regard to size or design.
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration form and paying the entry fee at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) by 5 pm local time, Thursday the 12th of September 2019.

### 3 CLASSIFICATION AND ADVERTISING

- 3.1 This is a Level A event under CR 3.6.
- 3.2 A boat and her crew shall comply with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code.

### 4 Fees

- 4.1 Entry fee for racing is \$150 and includes (2) dinner tickets. Additional dinner tickets can be purchased on the day of the event.

## 5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1 Dates of Racing: September 14-15, 2019
- 5.2 Number of races to be determined at the sole discretion of the Race Committee and sailing conditions.

### 5.3 **Saturday, September 14**

1030	Skippers meeting – location provided in sailing inst.
1225	Warning signal for the first race
Approx. 1hr after finish of last race	Outdoor barbeque at Liberty Yacht Club

### **Sunday, September 15**

1025	Warning signal for the first race
Approx. 1hr after finish of last race	Dockside Awards presentation

## 6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1 The sailing instructions will be available online at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) no later than Thursday September 12, 2019 and in hardcopy form at the Liberty Yacht Club on September 14, 2019, 0900.

## 7 VENUE

- 7.1 Racing area to be in the Upper Bay of New York Harbour between the areas of Bay Ridge Flats, Robbins Reef and Ellis Island.

## 8 COURSES

- 8.1 One-Design Classes:
  - A. The courses may be around government marks, windward-leeward marks set by the race committee, and/or a distance race.
  - B. Windward-leeward marks will be inflatable marks.
- 8.2 PHRF Division:
  - A. The courses will be around government marks, inflatable windward-leeward marks set by the race committee, and/or a distance race.
- 8.3 Course descriptions will be provided in the sailing instructions
- 8.4 The approximate position of the starting area will be announced approximately 45min before the initial warning signal each day. VHF Channel will be in the sailing instructions.

## 9 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty, unless the boat has broken a rule while in the *zone*, in which case the penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.

## 10 CLASSES

- 10.1 Boats will be placed in classes (designated by numbers 1, 2, 3, etc.) at the discretion of the Race Committee. A listing of entrants by class and starting area will be available online at the Yacht Scoring website and at the Skipper's meeting by 1000hr on the day of the first race. It is the intent of the organizing authority to have at least a One Design class, a non-spinnaker class and a spinnaker class.

## 11 CLASS FLAGS

- 11.1 Each boat shall display the numeral pennant for its class on its backstay or, in the absence of a backstay, from its stern rail.

## 12 SCORING

- 12.1 One-race shall constitute a series.  
12.2 The Low Point System of Appendix "A" of RRS will apply, except that all races will be scored; there will be no throw-outs.

## 13 BERTHING

- 13.1 Boats may be berthed at Liberty Landing Marina <http://www.libertylandingmarina.com/> Reservations are required.

## 14 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 14.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with the prior permission of the Race Committee.

## 15 NAVIGATION RULES

- 15.1 Boats interacting in NY Harbor with vessels not racing are cautioned to observe the [USCG Commandant Instruction M16672.2D, Navigation Rules](#) and to yield right of way to vessels restricted in their ability to maneuver, especially to tugs, ferries, and barges. Any boat observed to impede such traffic may receive a DSQ.

## 16 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 16.1 Except in an emergency, or to report a protest or withdrawal, 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.  
16.2 All yachts shall carry an operable VHF Radio capable of transmitting and receiving on channels 9, 13, 16, 68. VHF channel 68 will be used for communications with the RC.

## **17 PRIZES**

- 17.1 Overall prizes will be given at the end of the regatta to the top three boats of each division that has more than 5 entries. For divisions that have less than 5 entries there will be a prize for the top finishing boat only.

## **18 INSURANCE**

- 18.1 Each boat shall hold adequate insurance including third-party liability insurance, and it is the owner's or owners' representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to participating in this event. WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INJURY

## **19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 19.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority accepts no liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by Liberty Yacht Club, the owner and each crewmember agree that the safety of the boat and her crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility. All competitors waive all claims, which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against Liberty Yacht Club and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity.

## **20 CONTACT INFORMATION**

- 20.1 For further information contact:

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