



The International Lightning Class Association
presents the
2018 South East Regional District Championship (SEDC)
May 19th and 20th, 2018
Hosted by the Beaufort Yacht and Sailing Club (Organizing Authority) and the Lightning Southeastern District

Notice of Race

1. Authority and Qualifier

- 1.1 The regatta is organized under the authority of the International Lightning Class Association (ILCA) and the Southeastern Lightning District and has been sanctioned by the ILCA in accordance with the ILCA bylaws
- 1.2 The SEDC is a qualifying regatta for the 2018 ILCA North American Championships. The qualifying ratio will be determined by the ILCA.
- 1.3 The SEDC is the 4th event of the 2018 Lightning Southeast circuit.

2. Rules

- 2.1 The SEDC shall be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and by the current ILCA rules governing all Sanctioned Regattas.

3. Advertising

- 3.1 The SEDC shall be governed by WS appendix 1 regulation 20 and is restricted to advertising on the hull only.

4. Rule Changes

- The following RRS rules have been changed and will appear in full in the SEDC sailing instructions
- 4.1 RRS rule 42.3 (c) to allow certain types of pumping in accordance with the ILCS Rules.
 - 4.2 RRS Appendix 4.1 to score any boat that does not *start* within five (5) minutes after her starting signal as DNS
 - 4.3 RRS 35 and appendix A4, A5 and A11 are changed to score boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat that sails the course and finishes, and who are not scored, and ZFP, BFD, SCP, RET, DSQ, DNE, DNS or RDG. Those boats will be scored time-limit expired (TLE) without a hearing. Boats scored TLE will be awarded points equal to the number of boats who started minus 50% of the number of boats scored TLE. The score will be a whole number (fractions 0.5 and higher will round up).
 - 4.4 RRS rules 61.3 and 62.2 are changed to a one (1) hour time limit on filing protests and requests for redress.
 - 4.5 RRS rule 66 to change the time limit on the last day of the SEDC for a requesting the re-opening of a protest hearing to thirty (30) minutes
 - 4.6 RRS appendix A7 to change the scoring for boats which tie for a position in a given race.
 - 4.7 RRS appendix A8.2 to change the way that ties between two boats in the final standings are broken.
 - 4.8 For safety reasons, the BYSC race committee asks that all boats competing in the SEDC carry VHF radios and that they monitor the channel prescribed in the sailing instructions. Except in an emergency a boat shall neither transmit nor receive any radio or telephone (voice or text) communication not available to all other competitors. A boat that does not carry a VHF radio shall not be penalized.

5 **Eligibility**

- 5.1 Each boat must be certified eligible by SE District Measurer before it can be entered. Boat, sails, spars and equipment must be made available for measurement and inspection and any are all boats or portions thereof maybe ordered remeasured by the SEDC District Measurer
- 5.2 Boats must hold valid Measurement Certificates, including mast certifications, and must display valid membership decal and mast decal. Measurement certificates must be presented at the time of measurement.
- 5.3 Each boat shall carry a fluke type anchor weighing at least 4 pounds (1.8 kg) with 50 feet of 3/8" line attached that can be used as a towline, a compass, a minimum 1-gallon bucket, a paddle and approved wearable life preserver of each person on board, a throwable life preserver (cushion) and a whistle. Each boat must be equipped with a center board preventer.
- 5.4 All sails shall bear an Official Royalty Label as provided for in the ILCA specifications and Mainsail and Spinnaker number shall be the same and of a sufficiently contrasting color to facilitate accurate reading of the number by the Race Committee.
- 5.5 The skipper must be a Life, Active or Associate member of the ILCA who meets the requirements as defined in the ILCA constitution.
- 5.6 Crew must be Active, Life, Crew or Associate Members of the ILCA, and shall be designated distinctly as crew. They shall serve such only touching the tiller for brief temporary relief. Such periods may include the time required to set, gybe, or douse a spinnaker or repair damage to rigging but no longer.

6. **Substitution**

- 6.1 There shall be no substitution of skipper
- 6.2 Once the SEDC has begun, a boat and crew shall sail together throughout, except in the case of a proven accident or injury. Permission for a substitution of crew in such cases may be obtained from the SE District Commodore. Such permission shall be denied if an unfair advantage is gained thereby or if it is not absolutely necessary.
- 6.3 If a sail is damaged substantially during the SEDC, then the sail may be replaced with a sail which shall be measured, and which will be of the same brand, if possible and with no less use than the damaged sail. Any substitution shall be done with approval from the District Measurer or by the principal race officer (PRO)

7 **Races**

- 7.1 6 races are planned with all race finishes counting towards a competitor's total score. However, if a sixth race is sailed within the time limit, each competitor's worst race finish will be discarded.
- 7.2 A minimum of two races shall constitute a regatta.
- 7.3 On Sunday, no warning signal but shall be made after 13:00 hours
- 7.4 The schedule shall be as follows

Friday May 18th	
1300 - 1800	Measurement and Check-in
1800 - 2100	Sunset cocktails
Saturday May 19th	
0730 - 0900	Measurement, Check-in, Coffee and light breakfast
0930	Skippers Meeting
Not Before 1100	1 st Race Warning Signal
	Other races to follow immediately
Sunday May 20th	
0800	Coffee and light breakfast
1000	First Warning Signal of the day
1430 or as soon as possible after racing	Trophy Presentation

8. **Courses**

- 8.1 All courses shall be Windward / Leeward courses.
- 8.2 The RC shall determine the number of legs

9. **Entry Fees**

- 9.1 The entry fee for the SEDC shall be \$120. The entry includes a keg of beer on Saturday after racing, light breakfast on each day of the regatta, lunches on both days and 1 T-shirt per boat
- 9.2 To complete the online entry and pay the entry fee before May 11th at 2359, go to www.regattanetwork.com . Late entries maybe accepted with a \$25 late fee. Only on on-line entries will be accepted

10. **Boat Storage**

- 10.1 Boats maybe hauled out and stored in designated areas at BYSC.
- 10.2 Boats wishing to race in the Lowcountry Regatta on June 22nd may remain at BYSC after the SEDC by arrangement at no cost.

11. **Sailing Instructions**

- 11.1 Sailing instructions will be available at check-in on May 1th and 19th and on-line at www.regattanetwork.com shortly.

12. **Map to Venue**

- 12.1 Map to BYSC is available at <http://www.byscnet.com/about-2/directions>

13. **Local Accommodation**

- 13.1 There are several hotels in the area
- 13.2 Camping is allowed at BYSC

14. **Lunches**

- 14.1 Lunches/ Rolls from “Jimmy Johns” will be available on Saturday, BBQ on Sunday.

15. **“Apres-Sailing”**

- 15.1 There will be a typical BYSC Steak Night at 1800 on Saturday evening at the club house. (\$15 pp or \$10 pp vegetarian option)

16. **Disclaimer of liability**

- 16.1 The ILCA, BYSC and ILSC SE District or any of their respective agents disclaim jointly and severally any and all liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained as a result of competing in the SEDC or in any way incident that too. Competitors as a condition of their participation shall participate entirely at their own risk as stipulated in RRS Rule 4
- 16.2 All participants by their participation, agree to abide by and shall be subject to BYSC house and ground rules.
- 16.3 All participants and their guests will be granted temporary membership of BYSC for the duration of the regatta.