



Lloyd Harbor Yacht Club

Clash of the Champions & Contenders

July 23, 2025

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The top three boats from each Summer Series Division are invited to our annual **CLASH OF THE CHAMPIONS**
All other boats not qualifying per above are invited to a second division in **CLASH OF THE CONTENDERS**

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Notice of Race for this race,
 - 1.1.1. The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) as noted in these instructions.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the LHYC website at www.lhyc.org prior to 1800 hours on the day before taking effect.

3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1. Any planned postponement or abandonment prior to 1700 hours on the day of the race. Announcements will be posted on the LHYC website at www.lhyc.org and distributed to the skippers via the email address used to register the boat.
- 3.2. In the event of severe weather which might compromise the welfare of the race committee (RC), warnings of postponement or abandonment from ashore will be distributed to the skippers via the email address used to register the boat prior to 1600 hours on the day of the race. The final decision will be distributed prior to 1800 hours and may be announced on VHF channel 72 from both Huntington and Northport Harbors.

4. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 4.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the LHYC web site www.lhyc.org by no later than 1200 hours on the day when the change takes effect and will be broadcast on VHF channel 72 prior to the first warning signal. The same and additional notices, at the discretion of the Organizing Authority, may be broadcast on VHF channel 72 prior to the first warning signal.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACE

- 5.1. Racing is scheduled for Wednesday, July 23, 2025.
- 5.2. The scheduled time for the first warning signal is 1900 hours.

6. CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1. There will be two divisions. The Champions Division will be Division 1 and will start first. The Contenders Division will be Division 2.

- 6.2. Classes will be designated by numbers. Class flags will be numeral pennants.
- 6.3. All boats shall identify themselves to the RC by sailing past the stern of the signal boat on starboard tack with mainsail hoisted prior to the first warning signal.

7. RACING AREA

- 7.1. Racing will be held in Huntington Bay.
- 7.2. Rendezvous will be made in Huntington Bay but no further north than Nun "6" off Lloyd Neck. The RC shall announce the approximate position of the starting area on VHF channel 72 approximately one-half hour prior to the first scheduled warning signal.

8. COURSES

- 8.1. Course signals will be made by posting a letter on a board on the RC boat. The letter indicates the course to sail as indicated below. All marks are to be rounded in the order listed and left to port.

COURSE	MARK
A	Inflatable Mark – "W" windward
	Inflatable Mark - "L" leeward
	Inflatable Mark - "W" windward
	Inflatable Mark - "L" leeward
B	Inflatable Mark - "W" windward
	Inflatable Mark - "L" leeward
	Inflatable Mark – "W" windward
	Inflatable Mark - "L" leeward
	Inflatable Mark – "W" windward
C	Bell "8" (Target Rock) windward
	Inflatable Mark - "L" leeward
	Bell "8" (Target Rock) windward
	Inflatable Mark - "L" leeward
D	Inflatable Mark – "W" windward
	Inflatable Mark - "L" leeward
	Inflatable Mark – "W" windward
	Inflatable Mark - "L" leeward
	Inflatable Mark – "W" windward
	Inflatable Mark - "L" leeward
E	Inflatable Mark – "W" windward
	Bell "8" (Target Rock) leeward
	Inflatable Mark – "W" windward
	Bell "8" (Target Rock) leeward

- 8.2. Government aids to navigation, when not designated as marks of the course, may be disregarded at the discretion of the skipper.
- 8.3. If the course is changed after posting, but prior to the first warning signal, three sound signals will be made.

10. MARKS

- 10.1. The starting mark will be an orange flag with an "X" marked on it.
- 10.2. Inflatable mark "W" (windward) will be located approximately 1 NM to windward of the starting line.
- 10.3. Inflatable mark "L" (leeward) will be located in the vicinity of the starting line.
- 10.4. Bell "8" (Target Rock) government mark may be used as a windward or leeward mark.
- 10.5. The finish mark will be an inflatable mark on the opposite side of the signal boat than the start unless the course is shortened in accordance with RRS 32.2.

11. THE START

- 11.1. Races will be started according to RRS 26 using a rolling sequence where the Start of one division is the Warning. Signal for the following division unless otherwise announced by the RC.
- 11.2. The starting line will be between an orange flag on the signal boat and the flag on the starting mark with an "X" marked on it.
- 11.3. Individual recalls shall be signaled by hailing the sail number (or other distinguishing feature) of each recalled boat. Flag X need not be displayed. This changes RRS 29.1.
- 11.4. The RC will attempt to identify OCS boats and broadcast their sail numbers via VHF channel 72. Failure of a boat to see or hear her recall notification and the timing and order of such hail shall not be cause for redress. This changes RRS 61.4(b)(1).
- 11.5. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area and boats in their starting sequence.
- 11.6. Any boat starting later than ten minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS Appendix A 5.1. RRS A5.3 is in effect.
- 11.7. If the automated starting system is used, i.e., the Ollie System, racers should be aware of the short, repetitive sounds emitted prior to the initial warning signal and not consider them part of the starting sequence.

12. CHANGE OF COURSE

- 12.1. Courses will not be changed after the first start signal, but may be shortened.

13. THE FINISH

- 13.1. The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the RC boat and the last mark of the course signaled unless the course is shortened in accordance with RRS 32.2. The RC boat may shine a light at the mark to highlight the finish line. If finishing after dark, yachts shall shine a light on their sail numbers and report them to the RC.

14. TIME LIMIT

- 14.1. The time limit will be 21:30 for Class 1, 21:35 for Class 2, 21:40 for Class 3, etc. Any boat not finishing by the time limit will be scored "Did Not Finish" (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35. RRS A5.3 is in effect.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1. Penalties at the Time of the Incident
 - 15.1.1. The One-Turn Penalty as described in RRS Appendix V1 is in effect. This modifies RRS 44.1.
- 15.2. Post-Race Penalties
 - 15.2.1. The Post-Race Penalty as defined in RRS Appendix V2 may be taken. The deadline for notifying the Protest Committee of that decision shall be prior to the earlier of: the opening of a protest hearing, or

the warning signal of her class on the following Wednesday. This modifies RRS Appendix V2(a).

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1.** A boat initiating a protest shall immediately after finishing, notify the RC over VHF channel 72 of its intent to lodge a protest and the identity of the boat(s) being protested. Repeating the notification at [reasonable] intervals until acknowledged by the RC. This changes RRS 60.2.
- 16.2.** Boats shall not be entitled to redress for misstatements by the RC or failure of a boat to hear a broadcast. This modifies RRS 61.4(b)(1).
- 16.3.** Notice of Protest(s) by RC will be made via VHF channel 72 to inform boats under RRS 60.2(b).
- 16.4.** Protests shall be written on US Sailing protest forms or equivalent and shall be delivered to the Protest Committee Chairman as described in "CONTACTS", Section 22.2. Protests shall be delivered in person or via email to protest@lhyc.org no later than 2200 hours on the day following the race. The same time limit applies to protests by the RC about incidents they observe in their racing area and for requests for redress. This changes RRS 60.3(b)(1).
- 16.5.** Protest hearings will be scheduled accordingly, and posted on the event website at www.lhyc.org to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 16.6.** Appeals for scoring corrections may be made to the Fleet Captain via email at fleetcapt@lhyc.org within 48 hours of a boat's finish. Appeals shall include the believed time of finish and witness accounts of the boat finishing immediately ahead and the boat finishing immediately behind the protesting boat. This changes RRS 90.3(e).

17. SCORING

- 17.1.** The Time-on-Time method of calculating corrected times using A= 650 and B= 550 will be employed.
- 17.2.** Each class will be scored separately.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1.** All boats are cautioned to observe the Navigation Rules of the Road and to extend the right-of-way to commercial vessels, especially those restricted in their ability to maneuver, making passage through the racing area. Any boat observed to impede such traffic may be protested by the RC.

19. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 19.1.** Each boat shall carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on channel 72.
- 19.2.** Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to all mobile devices.
- 19.3.** The RC shall use VHF channel 72 for any radio communications with competitors. As an additional courtesy, radio prompts may be given to preface any actions by the RC. Boats shall not be entitled to redress for the following: misstatements by the RC, or failure of a boat to hear or receive a broadcast.
- 19.4.** The US Coast Guard can be hailed on VHF Channel 16 and by phone at: 631-261-6868.
- 19.5.** A boat withdrawing before the start or retiring from a race for any reason is requested to notify the RC by VHF channel 72 at the earliest possible opportunity.

20. PRIZES

- 20.1.** Prizes will be awarded as follows for each class: First, if there are three or more registrants, Second, if five or more, Third, if seven or more.
- 20.2.** The Champion of Champions title will be awarded to the winner of the Clash of the Champions division.
- 20.3.** The Champion of Contenders title will be awarded to the winner of the Clash of the Contenders division.

22. CONTACTS

- 22.1. LHYC Fleet Captain: Maryellen Rothberg, fleetcpt@lhyc.org (516) 532-8389
- 22.2. Protest Committee Chair: Bill Maher, protest@lhyc.org
- 22.3. Fleet Measurer: measurer@lhyc.org
- 22.4. Technical Committee, techcomm@yralis.org

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