

NOTICE OF RACE
INTERNATIONAL LIGHTNING CLASS ASSOCIATION
2017 Atlantic Coast Championships
Malletts Bay Boat Club - Colchester, VT
July 29-30, 2017

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: The Atlantic Coast Championship Regatta is organized by the International Lightning Class Association (ILCA) in conjunction with Lightning Fleet 301 and the Malletts Bay Boat Club.

RULES: The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Prescriptions of US SAILING, the Document Governing All Sanctioned Lightning Class Championships (Class Rules), the Rules Governing the Atlantic Coast Championship, this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, and any amendments thereto.

The Race Committee will be using VHF Radio to communicate with the competitors.
A Classic Division requires a minimum of five boats.

ELIGIBILITY: Eligibility for entry shall be in accordance with Article VI of the Class Rules, which Articles apply in their entirety. The following provisions are included here for emphasis only and are not intended to modify the Class Rules except where so noted. Yachts must display a valid membership decal. Mainsail and spinnaker numbers shall be the same. Safety equipment may be inspected in accordance with Article VI of the Class Rules. Skipper must be a Life or Active Member of the ILCA. Crew must be Life, Active, Associate or Crew Members of the ILCA.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

Registration is on-line only. <http://mbbc-vt.org/events2/ACCs2017/Registration.asp> The entry fee is \$150.00 USD prior to July 1, 2017, \$175 after. Deadline is July 26th 2017.

CHECK-IN: Check-in will be held from 1200 to 2200 on July 28, 2017, and from 0800 to 0900 on July 29, 2017. Check-in is mandatory.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

28th (Friday)	Early Arrivals – MBBC Open to competitors for practice. All boats arriving before 1900 must launch and remain in the water. Trailers stored off property 1200-2200 Registration/Check in
29th (Saturday)	0800-0900 Registration 0900 Competitors Meeting 0930 All boats must be launched 1100 First Race 1800 Dinner
30st (Sunday)	1000 First Start Sunday Awards at MBBC immediately after sailing

The Race Committee may adjust the racing schedule to suit weather conditions.
No race will begin after 1500 on Sunday July 30.

BOAT STORAGE: All boats, except boats entered in the classic boat division, must be in the water by 0930 July 29th, and remain in the water for the duration of the regatta except by written permission from the Principal Race Officer (PRO). Boast entered in the classic division may be dry sailed.

RACING AREA: Races will be sailed in Malletts Bay on Lake Champlain.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: The sailing instructions will be available during check-in beginning on Friday July 28th.

COURSES: The courses to be sailed will be provided in the sailing instructions, including Windward-Leeward and Triangle courses. Boats entered in the Classic Division will have a separate start and sail a shorter course.

NUMBER OF RACES: There are 5 races scheduled for the series. All races will be scored. Three races are required to make the series.

SCORING: Scoring will be in accordance with the low point scoring system as described in Article VIII of the Class Rules. A Masters' and Classic Division and will be scored separately.

TROPHIES: Trophies will be awarded to the top five skippers and crews in the Championship Fleet and the top three in the Masters and Classic Fleets. The Arnold Schwartz Perpetual Trophies will be awarded to the winning skipper.

SUPPORT BOATS: Team leaders, coaches, and other support personnel shall stay outside the racing area (defined as 100 meters outside the lay lines of the course, including the start area) from the first warning signal of the day until the last boat has finished the last race of each day, unless otherwise designated in the Sailing Instructions. Individual competitors may not use a support boat(s) at any time during the Regatta except as provided by the Organizing Authority. The penalty for failing to comply with these requirements may be the disqualification of all yachts associated with the infringing support personnel.

FURTHER INFORMATION: Event website: <http://mbbc-vt.org/events2/ACCs2017/> Or contact Bill Fastiggi phone 802-655-7245 (w) email bill@vtsailing.com
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