

Great Lakes Championship

August 31-September 1, 2019

NOTICE OF RACE

ERIE YACHT CLUB

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1. **ORGANIZING AUTHORITY** - (OA) is the Erie Yacht Club Sailing Fleet (Windmill Fleet 83).
2. **RULES** - The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and Windmill Class Association (WCA) class By-Laws.
3. **ADVERTISING** – Advertising shall be in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20. Competitors may be required to display graphics on the side of their hulls; these graphics will be supplied by the OA.
4. **ELIGIBILITY** - The regatta is open to all boats that are registered with the Windmill Class Association. All skippers for the Great Lakes Championship of 2019 must be “active” WCA members in good standing and have paid all event fees before becoming official competitors.
5. **BOATS & MEASUREMENT** - All Windmill boat hulls, sails and foils shall meet the measurement standards as prescribed in the Windmill Class Association By-laws.
6. **REGISTRATION AND FEES** - The entry fee includes 2 days of racing, continental breakfast for Saturday and Sunday and dinner for captain and crew on Saturday night.

6.1 The entry fee is \$50.00 per boat ; acceptable at Registration on Friday August 30th 2019 in Rickloff Building at Erie Yacht Club from 4p.m. to 6p.m. and on Saturday August 31, 2019 08:30-09:30.

7. **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Saturday -31-August

08:30 – 09:30 Registration & Check in

1000 AM SKIPPERS MEETING

1100 AM FIRST WARNING

Sunday -01- September

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No Races will be started after 1300.

8. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**
Sailing instructions will be available at Registration
9. **VENUE AND COURSES** – Racing will take place in the Presque Isle Bay. The courses will be windward-leeward or triangle-windward-leeward as described in the sailing instructions available at registration.

10. SCORING – The low point scoring system, RRS Appendix A will apply.

9.1 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.

9.2 When (5) or fewer races have been completed, a boat's regatta score will be the total of all her race scores. If more than (5) races have been completed, one race will be excluded in accordance with WCA-By-Law XII.6.F. This changes RRS A2.

11. PRIZES – Competitors placing first through fifth will be awarded prizes.

12. SAFETY - A CE or USCG approved personal flotation device shall be in the boat at all times. Failure to comply with this rule may result in disqualification.

11.1 A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee vessel before leaving the course, or when that is impossible, with the Onshore Check in Station at Erie Yacht Club immediately after arrival ashore.

13. MEDIA RIGHTS – By participating in this regatta, a competitor (or parent/guardian if under age 18) grants to the OA and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any photographs, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the period of the competition without compensation.

14. DISCIPLINE

All competitors are expected to maintain the highest level of conduct throughout the entire event. After a proper hearing the penalty may range from a reprimand to dismissal from regatta and additional action may be taken under RRS 69. Hearings will be held generally in accordance with the recommendations of Appendix M5 of the RRS. The officers for hearing a violation will consist of the Chief Judge, acting as chairman of the hearing, the Protest Committee and the event chair.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

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