

# LAKE HARRIET YACHT CLUB

# DIEHARD REGATTA

*Racing: September 16 & 17, 2023*

*Check-in: September 15*

*Minneapolis, Minnesota*

## **Notice of Race (NoR)**

### **1 RULES**

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.

1.2 Local Rules

All boating regulations of the State of Minnesota will apply. All boats shall carry a Coast Guard approved PFD for each person on board.

All off-lake boats, trailers, anchors, anchor lines, and temporary buoys must pass inspection by Minneapolis Park Board staff for Aquatic Invasive Species to be allowed on the lake. Please be sure to have your equipment clean and dry prior to inspection.

1.3 Wind Minimum

No race shall be started in under 4 mph sustained wind. This changes Melges 15 class rule H2.6(a) and MCSA class rule Article X Section 17 I.

The race committee will abandon races when the wind falls below the minimum or the wind does not fill the majority of the course.

### **2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

2.1 The sailing instructions will be available after September 1, 2023 at <https://www.diehardregatta.com/>.

### **3 COMMUNICATION**

3.1 The official notice board is located at the Sailing Pavilion immediately west of the Lake Harriet boat launch.

3.2 Courtesy notices may be posted at <https://www.diehardregatta.com/>

- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 3.5 Video, audio, GPS, or other data recording is permitted but may not be used or reviewed by competitors during a race.

#### **4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the MC Scow and Melges 15 classes.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by registering prior to 9AM, September 16, 2023. Registration may be completed online at <https://www.diehardregatta.com/> or in-person at the regatta. Fees must be paid to complete registration.

#### **5 FEES**

- 5.1 Entry fees include racing fee for one boat, morning treats/coffee, Saturday lunch for one person and Saturday evening party for one person.

\$85 Early Entry (on or before September 2, 2023)  
\$95 after September 2, 2023 and until onsite registration  
\$105 onsite registration

- 5.2 Other fees:  
\$15: lunch for crew or guests.  
\$25: Saturday party for crew or guests.

- 5.3 No refunds will be given for cancellation due to weather.

#### **6 CREW LIMITATIONS**

- 6.1 Crew may change throughout the regatta, but not during a race. Each boat will be scored by its sail number. This changes MCSA Rules Article X Section 3 and Melges 15 class rule C.3.2.

#### **7 SCHEDULE**

- 7.1 Onsite registration and check in will be 1700-2000, Friday, September 15, 2023 and 0730-0900 Saturday, September 16, 2023.
- 7.2 Dates of racing: Saturday and Sunday, September 16 and 17, 2023.

- 7.3 Scheduled Number of Races: 9: 6 on Saturday and 3 on Sunday. Additional races may be sailed if conditions are favorable.
- 7.4 The competitors briefing will be adjacent to the Lake Harriet Sailing Pavilion at 0900, September 16, 2023. As a courtesy, it may be broadcast on VHF Channel 72.
- 7.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Saturday is 1000.
- 7.6 On Sunday, the warning signal may be earlier.
- 7.7 The Sailing Instructions will define how Sunday's schedule will be published.
- 7.8 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1230.

## **8 VENUE**

- 8.1 The venue for racing will be Lake Harriet, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- 8.2 Regatta headquarters shall be the Lake Harriet Sailing Pavilion immediately east of the Lake Harriet Bandshell and immediately west of the Lake Harriet Boat Launch.

## **9 COURSES**

- 9.1 Courses will be Windward-Leeward, with either a Windward finish or a Leeward "dogleg" finish. Course diagrams will be included in the Sailing Instructions.

## **10 SCORING**

- 10.1 The Low Point System, RRS Appendix A, will be used for scoring.
- 10.2 One race constitutes a regatta for purposes of awarding trophies.
- 10.2 When six or more races are sailed, each boat's score shall exclude their worst score, subject to rule 90.3(b). This changes RRS A2.1.

## **11 SUPPORT VESSELS**

- 11.1 Lake Harriet has strict limits excluding most motorized boats. Support vessels are discouraged and shall comply with the local regulations.
- 11.2 Kayaks and paddle boats are available for rental from a concessionaire at the lake.

## **12 BERTHING**

- 12.1 Overnight dry boat storage is available in the Lake Harriet Boat Launch parking lot, reserved for this event. Trailers may be left in the lot during the event.

### **13 RISK STATEMENT**

- 13.1 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. Competitors and support persons participate in the event entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew, and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event.

**Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property while afloat or ashore;

They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

By participating in any race, they are satisfied that their boat is in good order, complies with the class rules, is equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate

The provision of a race management team, support boats and volunteers by the organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.

The provision of support boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

It is their responsibility to familiarize themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for that venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

### **14 INSURANCE**

- 14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate valid third-party liability insurance.

### **15 PRIZES**

- 15.1 Prizes will be given to the top 5 finishers in each class.

**16 AMENDMENTS TO THE NOTICE OF RACE**

- 16.1 This NoR may be changed.
- 16.2 Changes to the NoR will be posted to <https://www.diehardregatta.com/>

**17 FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 17.1 For additional information please contact James Fraser, [jamie@widernets.com](mailto:jamie@widernets.com).