



2026 ILCA Masters Championship

August 27 – 30, 2026

Brant Beach, NJ 08008

Updated 7/3/26 – Deleted Make Your Own Lunch (ILCA Class Has Snacks & Fruit Instead)

Updated 7/7/26 – Updated error in schedule of event

Update 7/27/26 – Move late fee date to Aug 20th at 21:00, corrected entry fee.

Update 8/21/2026 – There will be no practice race – deleted; late fee eliminated

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation [DP] in a *rule* means that the penalty for a breach of the *rule* may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

The notation [NP] in a *rule* means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes rule 60.1(a).

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY (OA): Brant Beach Sailing Foundation / Brant Beach Yacht Club in Conjunction with the International Laser Class Association of North America (ILCA-NA).

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) 2025-2028 and.
- 1.2. Rule 40.1 shall be in effect.
- 1.3. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.4. Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: (2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or
- 1.5. RRS Appendix P will apply. RRS P2.1 is changed to state “When a boat is first and subsequently penalized under rule P1.2 her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty under rule 44.2. If she fails to take it, she shall be disqualified without a hearing.” RRS P2.2 and P2.3 are deleted.
- 1.6. The following is added to rule 62.1: “If any part of a boat’s hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number verbally. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress request.”
- 1.7. The US Sailing prescriptions to the preamble to Part 4, Section B and rule 63.1 are deleted.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at Online Notice Board (**ONB**): [Online Notice Board](#) after August 24, 2026

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The ONB board can be found at this URL: [Online Notice Board](#)
- 3.2. The OA will be communicating often via the Clubspot text messaging function and recommends ensuring your cell phone is properly inputted at registration time.
- 3.3. [DP] While racing, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls not available to all boats, except in an emergency, this includes any type of GPS capable watch or smart watch.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to boats of the ILCA 4, ILCA 6, ILCA 7 classes that meet ILCA Rules.
- 4.2 Competitors who have reached the age of 30 and older on the day before race day 1 of the event, and who are members of [ILCA-NA](#), or their National Laser Class Association, may enter by completing the registration and paying the required fees. Competitors with memberships outside of ILCA-NA must contact office@ilcanasailing.org with proof of membership before registering.
- 4.3 Rig-Swapping Rule
 - 4.3.1. Unless a minimum of (12) ILCA 7 and (12) ILCA 6 entries has been received by the pre-registration deadline of August 1st, all entrants shall start and finish together and be scored as a single fleet.
 - 4.3.2 Competitors may choose ILCA 7, ILCA 6 or ILCA 4 rigs at their discretion provided that all rig changes are made on shore and all sails have the same number (Rig-Swapping Rule turned on).
 - 4.3.3 Providing that a minimum of (12) ILCA 7 and (12) ILCA 6 entries has been received by the pre-registration deadline, the ILCA 6 fleet shall be given a separate start and shall be scored separately from the ILCA 7 fleet (Rig-Swapping Rule turned off). Rig-Swapping between ILCA 6 and ILCA 4 shall always be in effect. This changes ILCA Class Rule 29(d), 30(d) and 6(c) by [permission of the International Laser Class Association](#).
- 4.4 Entries shall be made and fees paid online at the event website above.

5. FEES

- 5.1. Entry Fee: \$250 per boat.
- 5.2. Guest Fees: \$20.00 for Saturday Night Dinner
- 5.3. Entry Fees Include:
 - Casual Pizza Dinner Friday
 - Buffet/BBQ Dinner Saturday
 - Gourmet Pretzels after racing on Sunday
 - 3 Breakfasts and on-water snacks and fruit
 - Regatta Apparel: Select on this link below for instructions to order and its time sensitive!
 - Click on this link:
- 5.4. The registration URL link: [Register Here](#)

6. SCHEDULE (2026)

- 6.1. Competitors may arrive at the Brant Beach YC no earlier than **August 27th at 10:00 EDT**

At the South Harbor Facility (SHF):

August 27	12:00-17:00	On-site Check-in
August 28	08:00-09:00	On-site Check-in
August 28, 29, 30	07:30-09:00	Continental Breakfast

August 28	9:30	Competitors' Meeting
August 28, 29, 30	11:00	First Warning
August 30	14:00	No Warning After This Time

- 6.2. There will be a maximum of 4 races any day
- 6.3. A minimum of 1 race in each class shall constitute a championship.
- 6.4. A maximum of 9 races, in total, are scheduled for the regatta.

7. VENUE

- 7.1. On-shore activities will be at the South Harbor Facility – (See Addendum A)
- 7.2. The racing area is in Little Egg Harbor Bay - (See Addendum B)

8. COURSES

The courses will be illustrated in the Sailing Instructions and/or Supplemental Sailing Instructions.

9. SCORING

- 9.1. When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 9.2. The NA Masters handicap system will be used to score the overall series. Based on a competitor's age on the day before race day 1 of the event, divisions will be:
Apprentice: 30 to 44, Master: 45 to 54, Grand Master: 55 to 64 , Great Grand Master: 65 to 74, Legend: 75 and over.
- 9.2.1. For each race: Apprentice: add 4 points, Masters: add 3 points, Grand Masters: add 2 points, Great Grand Masters: add 1 point and Legends add zero points.
- 9.3. Ties within an age division are broken as per RRS Appendix A, Section A8. Ties across age divisions, a tie will be broken in favor of the sailor from the older division.

10. PRIZES

- 10.1 Prizes will be awarded to the overall winner in each fleet (lowest score after handicap points), first woman finisher in each fleet, and top finishers in each of the five age divisions, with the number of prizes adjusted to suit the number of competitors pre-registered in each division (one prize for every eight boats registered, a minimum of 3 boats must be registered to award 1 prize, with a maximum of 5 prizes per division). If rigs are separated, prizes should be awarded in both fleets (ILCA 7 and 6) per these guidelines.
- 10.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

11. COACH/SUPPORT AND SPECTATOR BOATS

- 11.1. All Coach/Support Boats are required to register before the regatta on Clubspot
- 11.2. [DP][NP] Coach / Support and Spectator boats are required to monitor the course channel, (announced at the Competitors meeting) on a VHF radio and are considered safety boats and at the direction of the OA or Race Committee and will render aid if requested via VHF communications.
- 11.3. [DP] No communication from Coach / Support and Spectator boats (including verbal and hand signals) will be permitted after the preparatory signal until after the competitor completes the race.
- 11.4. [DP] [NP] Per Federal law, **boats less than 26' are required to wear/attach their engine**

propulsion cutoff switch (“kill” switch) mechanism when engine is running. Failure to comply may be considered misconduct and/or result in expulsion from event.

- 11.5. [DP] Coach / Support and Spectator boats can be berthed or rafted at BBYC, free of charge. Trailers are to be parked in the designated area east of Long Beach Boulevard. (See VENUE map on Notice Board for reference to these areas).

12. RISK STATEMENT AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this regatta participate entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Race Organizers (OA, Ratings Authority, Race Committee, Protest Committee, Judges, Brant Beach Yacht Club / Brant Beach Sailing Foundation, ILCA-NA, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not accept liability of material damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. By participating in this regatta, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

13. SAFETY

All competitors, coaches, and other support persons will be required to follow all local, state, and federal regulations regarding health and safety. Additionally, the OA may choose to impose additional regulations at their discretion. These additional regulations will be posted in the form of an amendment to the NOR.

14. INSURANCE

[NP][DP] It is recommended that each participating boat be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

15. MEDIA RIGHTS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the OA and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recording, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival, until their final departure, without compensation.

16. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Lodging: It is strongly recommended that competitors make lodging reservations as early as possible. Information on the BBYC website on directions, attractions on LBI, lodging, etc.:

<http://www.bbyc.net/visitor-information2/#accommodations>

For further information go to: www.bbyc.net and click on REGATTAS.

Club rules: DOES NOT ALLOW PETS and there is no camping onsite.

Airports: Atlantic City (Closest, but limited airlines), Philadelphia and Newark are closest larger airports and either are good choices.

BBYC Shipping Address (if needed)

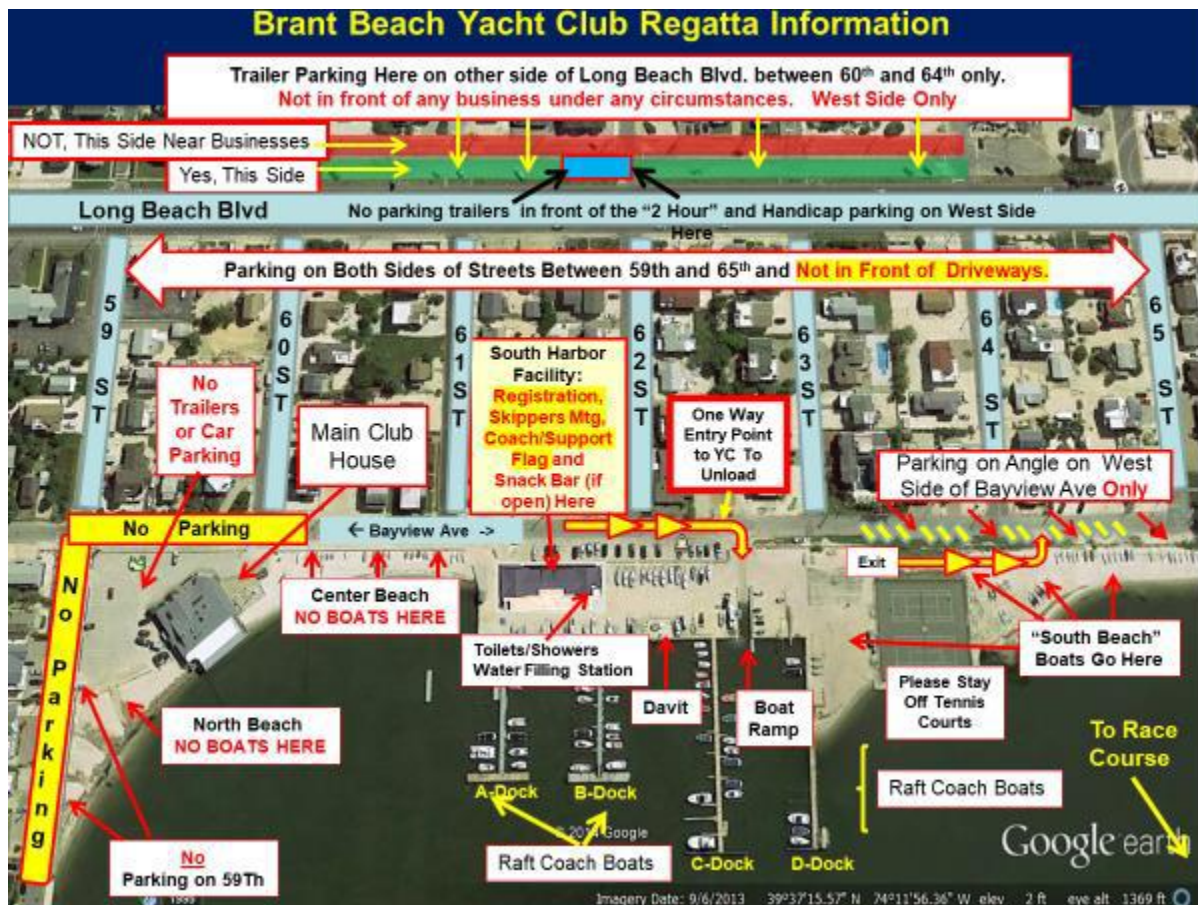
Brant Beach Yacht Club

ATTN: ILCA Masters Regatta
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Long Beach Township, NJ 08008

PRO: Bill Watters, bill.watters11@gmail.com

For additional information, please contact the event chair, David Shanker at david@brantbeachsailingfoundation.org .

ADDENDUM A – VENUE MAP



PARKING (CAR AND TRAILERS) – VERY IMPORTANT

There is plenty of parking near and around the Club, but it is important to print out this map and be mindful of its specific instructions: <http://www.bbyc.net/sailing-facilities>.

PRINT THIS OUT AND BRING WITH YOU PLEASE.

Off Site trailer storage at a nearby, walking distance, location will be available at no cost.

Car parking is on the on the street near the club. Be sure not to park or rig on anyone's yard (stones). **Be careful not to park in designated driveways. Some neighbors, especially non-members may call the local township police to have cars towed. See the diagram referenced above and follow it.**

ADDENDUM B – AERIAL VIEW OF RACING

