



2026 Milton Harbor Hullabaloo

Organizing Authority: American Yacht Club

September 19 - 20, 2026

Rye, NY

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. US Sailing Prescription Appendix U "AUDIBLE-SIGNAL RACING SYSTEM" shall apply.
- 1.3. RRS 40.1 PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES will apply.
- 1.4. Appendix V ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES will apply.
- 1.5. For the Melges 15 class:
 - 1.5.1. The Vakaros RaceSense system will be utilized by the race committee. This changes RRS 41(c).
 - 1.5.2. Each boat shall have a working Vakaros Atlas 2 configured for RaceSense at check-in, which shall be mounted within 6 inches of the aft side of the mast at all times while racing. A limited number of Atlas 2 units will be available for rental to any boat that does not have one available on a first-come, first-served basis.
 - 1.5.3. Failure of an Atlas 2 or the RaceSense system shall not be grounds for a request for redress by a boat. This amends RRS 61.1(a).
- 1.6. [DP] Competitors bringing boats by trailer shall follow instructions from the event organizers regarding trailer storage during the event.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The sailing instructions will be available by 0900 on September 18, 2026 on the [official notice board](#).

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The official notice board is located on the Clubspot regatta website: <https://sailing.americanyc.org/regatta/HKME9lfvoi>
- 3.2. [DP] Melges 15 and K6 boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 68, 72, and 78A.



- 3.3. On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs. Failure to hear broadcasts will not be grounds for valid redress (this amends 61.3).

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The event is open to all boats of the following classes:
- 4.1.1. ILCA (different rig sizes will register and race as different divisions)
 - 4.1.2. K6
 - 4.1.3. Melges 15
 - 4.1.4. RS Feva
- 4.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee, on the [regatta website](#) prior to the start of the first race.
- 4.3. Additional classes may be included by discretion of the OA if 4 or more boats intend to register and race. Contact the event chairs listed below.

5. FEES

- 5.1. Entry fees are as follows:
- 5.1.1. ILCA: \$90 if before Aug 15, \$100 if after
 - 5.1.2. K6: \$175 if before Aug 15, \$190 if after
 - 5.1.3. Melges 15: \$175 if before Aug 15, \$190 if after
 - 5.1.4. RS Feva: \$175 if before Aug 15, \$190 if after
 - 5.1.5. Fees for additional classes will be set by the OA
- 5.2. Entry fees include refreshments after racing and regatta shirts. Competitors who register prior to August 15, 2026 can guarantee their desired shirt sizes, otherwise sizes will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis at check-in.

6. SCHEDULE

	Saturday Sept 19	Sunday Sept 20	Location
Check-in	0930 - 1030	-	by JAYC house
Competitors Meeting	1030	-	by JAYC house
Harbor Start	1100	1000	
First Warning Signal	1200	1100	
No Warning After	1600	1500	
Refreshments	After racing	After racing	by JAYC house



7. VENUE

- 7.1. The racing area will be located outside of Milton Point harbor within 1nm of Bell Buoy 42.

8. COURSES

- 8.1. Courses will be windward-leeward. The courses, marks, and start/finish information will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.

9. SCORING

- 9.1. A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score if 5 or more races are completed.
- 9.2. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

10. PRIZES

- 10.1. Awards shall be given to the top 3 boats in each class or division.

11. RISK STATEMENT

- 11.1. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed, or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club, the owner, helmsman and each crew member agree, understand and accept, for themselves and their respective successors, assigns, representatives, administrators, executors, agents, heirs or any person acting or purporting to act on their behalf ("Releasors") that sailing is an inherently dangerous and unpredictable activity due to multiple factors that cannot be anticipated or predicted with certainty, including but not limited to weather, equipment failure or malfunction, and the actions of others on or off the water, injury, sickness and disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19). Releasors also agree, understand and accept that sailing presents inherent risks of serious bodily injury (including permanent disability, paralysis, and death, whether by drowning or otherwise, sickness and disease (including communicable diseases), property damage and other economic loss. Accordingly, and in consideration for being permitted to enter into and participate in this or any other sailing event sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club, Releasors forever release and waive, to the fullest extent allowed by law, any and all claims, actions, accounts, causes of action and choses in action, whether in



law, equity or admiralty, that Releasors now have, may have had or may come to have, against American Yacht Club, including its officers, directors, trustees, members, employees, agents, volunteers, staff, committees, and anyone acting on its behalf ("Releasees"), for anything arising out of or relating to Releasors' participation in such sailing events (including contracting communicable diseases such as Covid-19). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, and without in any way limiting or lessening the effect or breadth of the foregoing release and waiver, and solely for the avoidance of doubt and clarification, Releasors agree, acknowledge and understand that this release and waiver applies to any and all claims of any kind at all against Releasees arising out of or relating to injuries, deaths, sickness and disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19), damage to vessels or damage to personal property sustained during or as a result of any and all sailing events sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club.

12. INSURANCE

- 12.1. Each participating boat shall be adequately insured with current, valid third-party liability insurance that is appropriate taking into account the value of the boats racing and the type of racing.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 13.1. For more information, please contact the following:

Event Chairs	Adam Gottsch (gottsch@gmail.com) and George Spurling (george.spurling@gmail.com)
Race Committee	Barry Gold and Rich Hult (aycrc@americanyc.org)
Protest Committee	Giff Constable / Lisl Dunlop (americanycprotests@gmail.com)
ILCA Fleet Captain	Giff Constable (giff.constable@gmail.com)
K6 Fleet Captain	Christopher Russell (carpentryclassics@gmail.com)
Melges 15 Fleet Captains	Jim Keogh (jimkeogh@gmail.com) and Chris McGuire (christophercmcguire@gmail.com)
RS Feva	Kevin Broome (americanycsailing@gmail.com)

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