



2026 VX One U.S. National Championship Regatta

November 13th to 15th, 2026

Organizing Authority:
Lake Norman Yacht Club
VX One International Class Association
Amended 8-28-2026

NOTICE OF RACE

[NP] denotes a rule which may not be protested by another boat. **This changes RRS 60.1** and 63.2(a).

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing [RRS] and the VX ONE International Class Association, VXOICA, Rules found at the following link:
<https://vxsailing.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/2025-VX-One-International-Class-Rules-11072025.pdf>
- 1.2. The following will apply, VX ONE International Class Association, VXIOCA, Event Regulations and Policies which can be found at the following link: https://vxsailing.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/VXOICA-Event-Regulations-and-Policies-Draft-11_11_2025-1.pdf
- 1.3. The following US Sailing Prescriptions will apply: the Preamble to RRS Part 5, RRS 65.1, RRS 76.1, Appendix R, Appendix V and RRS 81.
- 1.4. If there is a conflict between the NOR and the SI, the SI shall prevail. This changes to 63.5 (c) (1) (2).
- 1.5. [DP] Vakaros RaceSense system will be used for this regatta. Each boat shall provide their own Vakaros Atlas 2 with active RaceSense license. The instrument shall be turned on 10 minutes prior to first scheduled warning signal of the day and remain on a minimum of 15 minutes after the last race of the day has finished. Atlas 2 devices will display a countdown timer, distance to line, and an OCS notification if you are on the course side of the line early. Information provided by the system cannot be grounds for redress. **This changes RRS 61.1(a)**. See Addendum RS.
- 1.6. **Failure of an Atlas 2 or the RaceSense system shall not be grounds for opening a hearing considering redress. This changes RRS 61.1(a)**
- 1.7. Boats utilizing a loaner Vakaros Atlas 2 will be responsible for loss or damage to the Altas 2 due to negligence.
- 1.8. 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"

2. COMMUNICATION

- 2.1. The official notice board (ONB) will be online at: <https://lakenormanyc.org/regatta/4v7sisBQ69>
- 2.2. [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communication with the Race Committee on US VHF Marine channels.
- 2.3. On the water, the Race Committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.4. RaceSense information will be available to all boats.
- 2.5. [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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.



- 2.6. In order to communicate with the fleet, the OA will organize a WhatsApp group. The QR code will be available at Check-In.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The event is open to all boats conforming with the Vxoica Class Rules.
- 3.2. Helmsperson requirements pursuant to Vxoica Class Rule C.2.1.(c).
- 3.3. Crew declaration shall follow Vxoica CR C.2 and Vxoica Event Regulations A.1.
- 3.4. Each competing hull must display a 2026 annual membership sticker from their respective National Class Association.
- 3.5. Eligible boats must enter by completing the entry form and submitting it with the required fee(s) by 1200 on November 12th, 2026 found on-line at: <https://lakenormanyc.org/regatta/4v7sisBQ69>
- 3.6. Entry is not completed until all fees are paid, crew declaration is complete and proof of insurance is provided.
- 3.7. Signed Liability Wavier will be collected on site during registration.
- 3.8. Per RRS 46, the Person in Charge will submit, at check-in, a cell phone number for immediate communication with the boat while ashore.

4. FEES

- 4.1. The registration fee is \$325.00
- 4.2. Late fee of \$75 for entries received after October 16th, 2026 are subject to approval by the OA. Dockage and Trailer Storage at LNYC is free.
- 4.3. The entry fee is refundable, minus a \$25 handling fee, if notification of cancellation is received and acknowledged by 1700 November 6th. Entry fees will not be refunded after this date, unless the OA decides to cancel the event in which case all entry fees will be refunded.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1. There are 12 races scheduled for the event. Four (4) to five (5) races may be scheduled per day.
- 5.2. The race committee reserves the right to change the schedule or racing area based on current wind and weather conditions.
- 5.3. Daily Schedule

Thursday November 12th

0700 – Club Opens for Arrivals

1730 – Welcome Reception and Dinner (provided by Five Guys)

Friday November 13th

0930 – Competitors' Meeting at LNYC Clubhouse

1100 – First Warning

After racing Post Race Debrief at the Pavilion

1830 Social with dinner to follow Dinner at the LNYC Clubhouse

Saturday November 14th

1030 – First Warning

After racing Post Race Debrief at the Pavilion

1830 Social with dinner to follow Dinner at the LNYC Clubhouse

Sunday November 15th

1000 – First Warning



No Warning after 1430

~1530 – Post Race Social and Awards Ceremony at LNYC Clubhouse



6. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION AND MEASUREMENT

- 6.1. Boats may be inspected at any time during the regatta by the Technical Committee or OA.
- 6.2. [DP] Boats shall comply with RRS 78.1.
- 6.3. [DP] All boats shall display bow numbers in line with VX One Class Association **Appendix H.2**.
- 6.4. In the event that the Bow Number does not match the Sail Number, Bow Number will be used for identification.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1. Sailing Instructions will be available online on the ONB by November 6, 2026.

8. COURSES

- 8.1. The course area will be in the vicinity of Lake Norman Yacht Club.
- 8.2. Windward leeward racecourses are planned for this event.
- 8.3. Marks will be inflatable or autonomous marks.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1. US Sailing Prescription Appendix V shall apply.
- 9.2. The Protest Committee may impose penalties less than disqualification (DPI), for violation of rules and racing rules other than those in RRS Part 1 and Part 2 as permitted in RRS 64.

10. SCORING

- 10.1. The Low Point Scoring system of the RRS Appendix A shall be used.
- 10.2. Three completed races shall constitute a regatta.
- 10.3. When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.
- 10.4. When six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11. PRIZES

- 11.1. Series prizes for helmsperson and crew will be awarded based up boats registered by October 16th.
 - 10-12 boats – 2 awards
 - 13-19 boats – 3 awards
 - 20-24 boats – 4 awards
 - 25 +boats – 5 awards
- 11.2. Other awards may be given at the discretion of the OA.

12. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 12.1. [DP] Support person vessels shall register at check in and provide name, phone number and the boats they are coaching/supporting.
- 12.2. A support person agrees, while on the water, to monitor the official VHF channel, to assist the Race Committee, if requested, and accept the provisions of RRS 4.1(b), Acceptance of the Rules.
- 12.3. From the time of the first warning signal of the day, until a boat has finished the last race of the day, support vessel and their crew may have no contact with their team.
- 12.4. Support persons shall stay 100 meters outside the racing area while any boats are racing.
- 12.5. **The Race Committee or Protest Committee may warn a support person who, in their opinion, is about to infringe on a race before protesting under RRS 60.2.**



13. LAUNCHING – BERTHING – HAULING – TRAILER STORAGE

- 13.1. Launching is available via hoist or ramp.
- 13.2. Trailer and boat storage is available before or after the regatta contact pete.marriott@gmail.com

14. INSURANCE

- 14.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.
- 14.2. A copy of the boat's insurance coverage page shall be submitted prior to or at check-in.
Please email to: marriottpete@gmail.com

15. RISK and RESPONSIBILITIES

- 15.1. **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 sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.
- 15.2. The Helmsperson/Owner of each boat is responsible for the conduct of their crew both on the water and ashore. Destruction of property, breaches of good sportsmanship, or failure to comply with reasonable requests from race officials may result in hearing to determine if disqualification and exclusion from the regatta should be imposed.

16. MEDIA RIGHTS

- 16.1 Competitors give absolute right and permission to use their name, voice, image, likeness and biographical material as well as representations of their boats in any media world-wide (including television, radio, print, video footage and internet media) for editorial, commercial purposes, or to be used in press information.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

Regatta Chairs:

Pete Marriott: LNYC VX One Fleet Captain marriottpete@gmail.com

Patrick Voight: LNYC Fleet Captain fleetcaptain@lnyc.org



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. WHAT'S INCLUDED IN ENTRY FEE?

Entry fee includes one tech shirt (if registering by Oct. 16), breakfast and daily social hour with beer, wine, soft drinks, and appetizers.

2. ADDITIONAL FEES

No dinners are included in entry fee. Dinners for Saturday may be purchased for \$30 per person; order by November 1, 2026. Additional tech shirts are \$30, and must be ordered by October 16. Both may be ordered on the [Event website](#)

ONSHORE ACTIVITIES

All onshore activities commence at the **Clubhouse** unless otherwise noted.

Date	Time	Activity
Thu., November 12	1730	Welcome Reception Happy Hour Dinner provided by Five Guys
Fri., November 13	0800 - 0930 ASAP after racing 1830	Continental Breakfast Post Race Debrief at the Pavilion Social Dinner at Dinner (purchase tickets separately online)
Sat., November 14	0800-0930 ASAP after racing 1830	Continental Breakfast Racing Debrief Social Dinner at Dinner (purchase tickets separately online) & Live Music
Sun., November 15	0800-0900 After Racing	Continental Breakfast Awards Ceremony

3. LAUNCHING OPTIONS

- 3.1. There are two ramps, one on each side of the cove.
- 3.2. Club hoist is available near the North launch ramp for boats under 4,000 lbs.

4. LODGING / TRANSPORTATION

- 4.1. **Hotels:** There are several chain hotel options at exits 33 and 36 (Mooresville, NC) off I-77. These are approximately 8-9 miles from the club.
- 4.2. **Camping:** Camping is welcome on the grounds of Lake Norman Yacht Club. Campers are invited to use the showers and restroom facilities. If coming by RV, there are no hook-ups and parking is at the main clubhouse parking lot or as directed by the Regatta Committee.



4.3. Club rules **DO NOT ALLOW PETS** or open fires on the club grounds during club events or regatta weekends.

4.4. **Airport:** Charlotte International Airport (CLT) is located south of Lake Norman and is a 38-mile drive to Lake Norman Yacht Club (approximately 45-60 minutes).

5. DIRECTIONS

5.1. **GPS:** 297 Yacht Road, Mooresville, NC

5.2. From I-77 (northbound or southbound), take exit 35, Brawley School Road. Go WEST on Brawley School Road approximately 7 miles to the roundabout/traffic circle. Take the second exit off the roundabout to remain on Brawley School Road. Go about 0.5 miles from the roundabout. Turn left on Yacht Road. The entrance to Lake Norman Yacht Club is 0.9 miles on the left.

6. STORAGE

Boats may be stored at LNYC no cost until the Keelboat Mid-Winters (March 2027). Please complete the LNYC Boat Storage Waiver prior to leaving. The waiver form is available under **Documents** on the [Event website](#).



ADDENDUM RS

[NP] Rules and Instructions for Using the Vakaros and RaceSense System

- RS.1 [NP] At registration, each competitor will be required to provide a working Vakaros Atlas 2 device with updated firmware, calibrated, and configured with an active RaceSense pass.
- RS.2 It is the responsibility of all competitors to ensure their device remains sufficiently charged, properly calibrated, and updated with current firmware throughout the event. Units have an approximately 100 hr. battery life when new, but it is recommended to turn the devices off overnight.
- RS.3 [NP][DP] Competitors shall take all reasonable measures to properly mount their device as required. They shall keep the Atlas 2 safe and operational or promptly notify RC on the water or ashore of any device issues.
- RS.4. The Vakaros RaceSense system, per **Addendum RS**, will be used by the Race Committee during racing to determine OCS/Recall and finish information, among other functions. This changes and supplements RRS 29.1.
- RS.5. The countdown to the start will be provided by RaceSense on the Atlas 2 device and serve as the only official time. The display of visual signals and associated sounds will be provided only as a courtesy. This changes RRS 26 and Race Signals.
- RS.6 Electronic identification of boats using the Vakaros RaceSense system shall replace visual identification by the Race Committee (RC). This modifies RRS 29.1 and RRS 30.1–30.4.
- RS.7 If the RC vessel displays flag “O” (Oscar) with a long sound signal before the warning signal of a race, RS.4 and RS.5 will not apply to that race.
- RS.8 Any alleged failure of the Atlas 2, RaceSense system, or communication systems will not constitute grounds to request redress by a boat or the Protest Committee. This changes RRS 61.1(a), 61.1(c).
- RS.9 If firmware updates to Atlas 2 devices are required between scheduled race days, a notice to competitors will be posted and announced to all boats via WhatsApp.