



NOTICE OF RACE
2018 VX ONE/M17 Tulip Regatta
May 19 – 20, 2018

Macatawa Bay Yacht Club
Macatawa, Michigan

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 Class Rules, Melges17 Class rules.
- 1.2 Pursuant to RRS 87, the Class Rules may be modified by the sailing instructions.
- 1.3 The prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (US Sailing) will apply except the prescriptions to RRS 40. A complete list of US Sailing prescriptions is available on the US Sailing website (www.ussailing.org).

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the VX ONE Class, Melges17 Class.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing an entry form at www.yachtscoring.com and paying the required entry fee.

4. FEES

- 4.1 The registration fee is \$50.00.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 A maximum of eight (8) races are scheduled.
- 5.2 For both days the first Warning signal will be at 10:00am

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at www.yachtscoring.com and from the Race Committee on the day of the event.

7. COURSES

- 7.1 The regatta shall be sailed on the waters of Lake Macatawa.

- 7.2 For races sailed on Lake Macatawa, please note the following local prescription in the Sailing Instructions: *All powered vessels within the limits of the navigation channel shall have right-of-way over racing sailboats. This modifies Colreg Rule 16(a) (iv). For the purposes of the RRS vessels within the limits of the navigation channel shall rank as an obstruction. Yachts observed to violate this prescription may be subject to protest by the Race Committee with a penalty not to exceed disqualification from the 2018 Season Championship.*

9. SCORING

- 9.1 The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply, except that a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score only if six (6) or more races have been completed, this changes RRS A2.

10. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded for the first 3 places. Other awards may be given.

11. DISCLAIMER

- 11.1 Competitors participate in the Tulip Regatta entirely at their own risk. (See RRS4 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 Series.
- 11.2 The safety of a boat and its crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the skipper who must ensure that the boat is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy, and manned by an experienced and physically able crew. Neither the establishment of regulations nor the inspection of a boat in any way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the Skipper.
- 11.3 MBYC and their employees and volunteers do not accept responsibility for loss of life or injury to participants or others, or damage to any vessel in any way or from any cause during or relating to this event.
- 11.4 The skipper shall be responsible for the conduct of his crew. In the event of a serious breach of conduct, the destruction of property, or the failure to comply with a reasonable request of any Race Office or Committee member, the Skipper will be responsible for all damages and the boat may be subject to disqualification from the Championship.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

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