

NOTICE OF RACE
2015 Oriental Lightning Regatta
Oriental Dinghy Club
Midyette Street Boat Ramp
Oriental, NC
August 29-30

1. RULES

- 1.1. The organizing authority is the Oriental Dinghy Club and members of Lightning Cape Fear fleet 511.
- 1.2. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 (RRS), the Prescriptions of US SAILING, The International Lightning Class Rules, this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, and any amendments thereto.
- 1.3. RRS 44.2 shall apply, except that when a boat has her spinnaker drawing at the time of the breach, her penalty shall be a one-turn penalty with the head of her spinnaker below the gooseneck from the time she passes head-to-wind until she is on a downwind course.
- 1.4. US Sailing Appendix T sections B (Post Race Penalties) and C (Expedited Hearings) shall apply.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY (entry form enclosed)

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the Lightning class
- 2.2. An approved Measurement Certificate must be on file in the International Lightning Class Association office for each boat entered.
- 2.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached entry form. Completed entry forms should be mailed, with a check in payment of the fee. Registration may also be completed at the regatta site.

3. FEES

- 3.1. The entry fee is \$70 USD.

4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Friday August 28

Boats may be rigged and stored over night in parking spaces at the boat ramp and nearby property.

Saturday August 29

0900-1015 Registration / Check in at the regatta tent

1030 Competitors Meeting

1200 Warning Signal first race of the day; subsequent races to follow

After race social, BYOB come as you are at the regatta tent.

Dinner on your own

Sunday August 30

1100 Warning Signal first race of the day, subsequent races to follow

Awards at the regatta tent after sailing

The Race Committee may adjust the racing schedule to suit weather conditions.
A starting sequence may not begin after 1400 on Sunday August 30.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at the on-site registration and check in.

6. BOAT STORAGE & REGATTA FACILITIES:

- 6.1. Launching will be at the N. C. Wildlife boat ramp which is located at the end of Midyette St., one block west of Broad St. (NC 55).
- 6.2. The regatta has proper State of N.C. permits allowing over-night boat and trailer storage for 12 Lightnings Friday and Saturday at the wildlife ramp facility.
- 6.3. Additional boat storage space is available on nearby property that is accessed without crossing overhead power lines.
- 6.4. The ramp facility provides public water access at all times. The regatta is not to impede that access.
- 6.5. The regatta notice board, information and assistance will be located on property adjacent to the boat ramp facility at the regatta tent.

7. **RACING AREA:** Races will be sailed in the Neuse River near the town of Oriental. From the launch ramp area, sail under the Green/Smith Creek bridge into the river.

8. **COURSES:** The courses will be a windward – leeward configuration.

9. SCORING:

- 9.1. Scoring will be in accordance with the low point scoring system as described RRS Appendix A.
- 9.2. Five races are planned. One race must be completed to constitute a regatta.

10. **PRIZES:** Trophies will be awarded to the skippers and crew placing first thru fourth.

11. **VHF RADIOS:** Use of VHF radios will be permitted for communication from the Race Committee to competitors on a predetermined channel to be identified at the Competitors Meeting.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Racing Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION:

The Lightning Class contact is John Sawyer
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a good web site for Oriental is <http://www.sailingcapitalofnc.org/>

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Registration

Sail #: _____ Hull color: _____

Skipper: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ e-mail: _____

Crew: _____

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Registration Fee: \$70

As a condition of my entry in the Oriental Lightning Regatta, and being fully knowledgeable of the risks of sailing a competitive sport, I waive any and all claims, charges, losses and liabilities including those caused by negligence, against the Lightning Class Association and the Oriental Dingy Club, their respective officers, trustees, contractors, employees and members, and against any and all volunteers which may arise from, or in any way be in connection with, the activities of the regatta and its organizers and sponsors. I further agree to be bound by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and all other rules that govern this event. I certify that I hold a valid ILCA Measurement Certificate.

Owner or Skipper Signature:

Date: _____

*****Please complete your registration form and send it to John Sawyer using the contact information provided*****