



NOTICE OF RACE
Early Bird Regatta
May 19-20, 2018

The Flag Officers and Members of Cedar Point Yacht Club and Lightning Fleet 126 invite you to attend the 2018 Early Bird Regatta.

1. **RULES** - The Regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2017-20, the prescriptions of US SAILING, the rules of the International Lightning Class Association (ILCA) and the Sailing Instructions.
2. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY** – This event is open to all certified Lightnings. Each Lightning shall be equipped with all ILCA required safety gear.
3. **SCHEDULE** - Host Club: Cedar Point Yacht Club, 1 Bluff Point, Westport, CT 06880. (203) 226-7412
Saturday, May 19th
0800 – 1000 Registration & Launching
1000 Competitors Meeting
1030 Harbor Gun
1130 Warning Signal, 1st Race
1800 Evening Activities, including Keg Beer and an Italian dinner by Tutti's
Sunday, May 20th
0900 Harbor Gun
1000 Warning Signal, 1st Race
No warning signal will be made after 1500, trophies presented after racing
4. **REGISTRATION** - Boats may register in advance by completing the attached entry form and including the entry fee. Please make checks payable to **LIGHTNING FLEET 126**. All other boats shall register (or if pre-registered, check-in) at the clubhouse on May 19, 2018, from 0800 through 1000 to pick up Sailing Instructions and other regatta information. Please sign up on the Who's Coming page at www.lightningclass.org so that we know you are coming.
5. **FEES** - Entry fee is \$125.00 per boat. The fee includes dinner /beer for three guests, light breakfast, and make-your-own PBJ sandwiches. Add'l dinner tickets may be purchased for \$15. All fees are non-refundable.
6. **COURSES** - The courses will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.
7. **SCORING** - The Low-point Scoring System, Appendix A2 of the racing rules, will apply. Six (6) races are scheduled, if all six (6) races are completed, there will be one (1) throw out.
8. **PRIZES** - Prizes will be awarded to the top three overall finishers for the regatta.

9. **LODGING** - Limited housing is available, see below. Some local hotel options are:

DoubleTree Club Hotel	Westport Inn	Courtyard by Marriott
789 Connecticut Ave.	1595 Post Road East	474 Main Ave.
South Norwalk, CT.	Westport, CT	Norwalk, CT
Phone - (203) 853-3477	Phone - (800) 446-8997	Phone - (800) 321-2211

10. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION – If you need local housing, crew, or even a boat, please contact:

Regatta Chairman: Bill Bogardus williambogardus@hotmail.com (732) 740-0337
Local Housing: Josh Goldman Joshua.Goldman@cushwake.com (917) 859-7764



ENTRY FORM

Early Bird

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Skipper's Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____

Hull Number: _____ Sail Number: _____

Boat Name: _____

Home Club: _____ Fleet #: _____

District: CT/RI Other: _____

Crew: _____

Registration	Amount
(includes dinner / beer for 3 guests)	
Registration Fee \$125	\$ _____
Additional dinners: \$15 Qty: _____	\$ _____
Total Enclosed:	\$ _____

(Make check payable to LIGHTNING FLEET 126)

I agree to be bound by The Racing Rules of Sailing and by all other rules that govern this event.

SAILOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES - By participating in racing, a sailor acknowledges that he or she is solely responsible for his or her own safety and that of the crew and boat; that he or she represents that the boat and its equipment are in sound condition and all required safety equipment is aboard, accessible for use and in operable condition; that the decision to race, not to race, or to withdraw after starting is solely his or hers; and s/he hereby releases the organizing authority, its officers, trustees, and all members of the Race Committee, whether or not members of the organizing authority, from any and all liability or claims for personal injury or property damage or death resulting in participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Signature of Boat Owner/Skipper

Mail To: Bill Bogardus, Attn: 2017 Early Bird, 384 Village St., Northford, CT 06472