



International Lightning Class Association

2022 Harken Blockheads Lightning Youth World Championship Sheboygan, Wisconsin, USA July 6-10, 2022

In 2018 we had 7 countries represented at the Lightning Youth World Championship held in Greece:

Brazil, Canada, Chile, Finland, Greece, Peru, USA

This regatta is an important part of maintaining our International Class and provides a fun and competitive platform for talented juniors to be immersed in the Lightning community. Please help us get to our goal of 8+ countries in 2022!! Now is the time to identify potential sailors, clarify and/or schedule your country's qualifying process and get these juniors excited about the event!

Selection Deadlines

- **February 1, 2022:** Each Lightning National Class Association or National Authority shall inform the ILCA class office of the number of boats it intends to enter.
- **February 15, 2022:** If a Lightning National Class Association or National Authority can not fill its two boat quota, those available slots will be reallocated to interested countries.
- **March 15, 2022:** Each Lightning National Class Association or National Authority shall inform the ILCA class office of the specific competitors that will represent their country.
- **April 15, 2022:** Completed registration forms must be returned with the entry fee and damage deposit to the ILCA class office.

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Proposed Schedule:

Wednesday July 6, 2022: Registration

Thursday, July 7, 2022: AM Practice Race, PM Championship Racing Begins

Friday, July 8, 2022 thru Sunday July 10: Racing

Sunday July 10: Awards

Entry fee: (Estimated) \$500 USD per Team/Boat

Housing provided on request for competitors.

Lunch and Dinner provided Wednesday through Sunday

Class Rules:

Document Governing All Sanctioned Lightning Class Championships

ARTICLE XI – ENTRIES

1. (a) Every country with organized yachting activity shall be entitled to two (2) Entries for the World Youth Championship. The Host Country shall be entitled to two (2) Additional entries. The Executive Committee may allocate additional entries on an equal basis to all Countries to provide twenty entries.

(b) Skippers and crew in the World Youth Championship must be ILCA members.

(c) Skippers and crew must be no older than 20; to clarify Skippers and crew may not turn twenty-one (21) years old during the year of the Championship.

ARTICLE XII – RACING CONDITIONS

1. (a) Equally competitive certified Lightnings and equipment shall be provided by the Host Fleets. **Contestants shall provide their own sails and life preservers.**

(b) A system of draw shall be established to provide a boat rotation which is fair to all.

(c) Contestants shall not make any changes to tune or rigging of any boat other than the normal easily adjusted running gear. Equipment other than the normal extra clothing, life preservers, water jug, and small tools for emergency repairs may not be carried aboard.

(d) Once the regatta has begun, contestants may not receive outside assistance except as authorized by the Race Committee.

(e) Practice in Lightnings selected for use in the Championship shall not be afforded any contestant unless provided to all contestants.

ARTICLE XIII – QUALIFICATION

1. Qualification for the World Youth Championship shall be determined preferably based on the order of finish in a Junior or Area Championship as follows: for U.S. entries, by the International Lightning Class Association; for Canadian entries, by the Canadian International Lightning Association; for entries from countries other than the U.S. or Canada, by the District or by the member National Authority of the International Sailing Federation.