

NOTICE OF RACE



Albacore Canadian National Championships September 15 - 17, 2023

ORGANISING AUTHORITY: CANADIAN
ALBACORE ASSOCIATION

In cooperation with Thornbury Yacht Club

Thornbury, ON

Official Website: <https://albacore.ca>

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The 2015 International Albacore Association (IAA) Class rules and any temporary rules or interpretations as published on <http://albacore.org> shall apply.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available after September 1, 2023 at www.albacore.ca.
- 2.2 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be posted on the official notice board located at the Thornbury Harbour office.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 [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.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the Albacore class.
- 4.2 **For the Canadian Championship**, eligible boats must present a current measurement certificate and meet the obligations of the Albacore Class Rules and their National Authority. The helm or crew of the boat shall be a member in good standing of their National Albacore Association.

4.3 For the Challenger Fleet, boats do not need to present a current measurement certificate. The helm or crew of the boat shall be a member in good standing of their National Albacore Association.

4.4 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee at www.albacore.ca.

4.5 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

5 FEES

5.1 Entry fees are as follows:

Class	Early Entry Fee until August 15, 2023	Standard Fee
Albacore	\$220	\$250

The fee covers racing, prizes, and dinner on Saturday night.

6 ADVERTISING

6.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1 Registration:

Date	From	To
September 14, 2023	6:00 pm	8:00 pm
September 15, 2023	8:00 am	10:00 am

7.2 Dates of racing:

Date		
September 15, 2023	Competitors' Meeting Racing	10:00 am First signal at 12:00 pm
September 16, 2023	Racing	First signal at 11:00 am
September 17, 2023	Racing Awards	First signal at 10:00 am ASAP after Racing

7.3 A maximum of 10 races are scheduled.

7.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 2pm.

8 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

8.1 Each boat shall produce or verify the existence of a valid measurement certificate, **except for boats intending to race in the Challenger Fleet.**

8.2 [DP] Boats shall be available for equipment inspection for the duration of the event.

8.3 Boats may be inspected at any time.

9 VENUE

9.1 Racing will be held on Georgian Bay adjacent to the Thornbury Yacht Club.

10 COURSES

10.1 Courses to be sailed will be described in the Supplemental Sailing Instructions.

11 SCORING

11.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.2 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11.3 When from five to nine races have been completed, a boat's series score will be her total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11.4 When ten races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race

scores excluding her two worst scores.

12 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

12.1 A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the race committee has approved her sail identification before the first race.

13 RISK STATEMENT

13.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race 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.**

14 INSURANCE

14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000. The organising authority does not accept any responsibility for verifying that a boat has valid third-party liability insurance.

15 PRIZES

15.1 Prizes will be given as follows:

The highest placed Canadian team will be declared the 2023 Canadian Albacore Champions and awarded the John Geikie Trophy.

The highest placed Canadian crew will be awarded the Beefeater Trophy.

The highest placed Canadian team in the Challenger fleet will be awarded the Hiram Walker Trophy.

The first place master team will be awarded the Albacore Builders Trophy.

The first place female helm will be awarded the Ladies Plate.

Overall prizes will be awarded for the top 3 helm & crew of the Championship Fleet.

Overall prizes will be awarded for the top 3 helm & crew of the Challenger Fleet.

15.2 Other prizes may be awarded.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

16.1 For further information, including billeting, please contact:

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