



**USA JUNIOR OLYMPIC SAILING
FESTIVAL**
Maine and Northeast New England
July 11-13, 2016
MDI Community Sailing Center and
The Northeast Harbor Fleet
National JO Sponsors: Gill, Sperry &
New England Ropes



NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Junior Olympic Festival will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. For the purposes of the definition of *rule*, the class rules shall be the rules of the ***Laser, Laser Radial, Club 420 with trap and spinnaker, Club 420 with just main and jib, Turbo 420 with trap and spinnaker, Turbo 420 with just main and jib, Optimist Green, White, Blue and Red, and Cape Cod Mercury Classes.***
- 1.3 Certain rules may be changed and these changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. (Might allow loose footed mainsails here and built from non-class approved sailmakers.)

2. **ADVERTISING** –Competitors may be required to display graphics on the side of their hulls; these graphics will be supplied by the hosts.

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

3.1 AGE

Applicants for all classes must not turn **19** years old in the year of the event. Optimist class age rules apply. Green Fleet is for very novice sailors ages 6-15. White Fleet is for sailors 10 and under, Blue Fleet is for sailors 11 or 12, Red Fleet is for sailors 13, 14, or 15.

3.2 US SAILING MEMBERSHIP

Membership in US Sailing is required for each competitor (helmsman and crew for doublehanded classes). Competitors may sign up at registration. If you are already a member, bring your membership card to registration - ***it will be checked.*** Sailors can join online at <http://www.ussailing.org/membership/>.

3.3 GREEN REGATTA

This regatta is a Sailors for the Sea "Clean Regatta." As such, all competitors are encouraged to use non-single use water bottles and recycle all appropriate items. Competitors are reminded of rule 55 which states that competitors "shall not intentionally put trash in the water."

4. BOATS/MEASUREMENT

4.1 Competitors are encouraged to bring their own boats. A minimum number of five entries per class/ division is required to qualify for prizes . A limited number of keel **Mercuries** are available to borrow.

4.2 All boats must have a floating bowline of appropriate length.

4.3 Each competitor will be responsible for their boats being in compliance with the class rules.

5. **FEES** - The entry fee for all classes is \$ 75 per competitor if submitted prior to 5pm on July 10. Entry on Wednesday morning is \$110 per competitor. The entry fee includes continental breakfast and lunch both days, dinner on Wednesday evening, an official USA Junior Olympic T-shirt, and trophies.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS-

Monday, July 11

1500-1730

Registration & check-in at Northeast Harbor Town Green,
Harbor Drive, Mt Desert, ME

Tuesday, July 12

0800-0930

Late Registration and check in, Breakfast

0930

Safety Boat Meeting, Competitors should be rigging

1000

Competitor's Meeting followed by launching

1100

Racing begins

1330

Racing concludes

1700

Event dinner at Neighborhood House, 1 Kimball Rd, NEH

1800

Entertainment

Wednesday, July 13

0800-0930

Breakfast

0930

Safety Boat Meeting, Competitors should be rigging

1000

Competitor's Meeting followed by launching

1100

Racing begins

1300

Racing concludes. No races shall start after this time.

1400

Awards and Farewells

7. **ADVANCE REGISTRATION** - Competitors shall register in advance online at nehss.org or by completing the Event Registration Form *in person at the registration table* and submitting it with proof of US Sailing membership. Entry deadline is **1730 on Monday, July 11**. Late fee of **\$35** applies thereafter.
8. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available at registration and on the web at: nehss.org
9. **SCORING** – As many races as possible are scheduled, of which **two** shall be completed to constitute a series. If **five** or more races are sailed, a boat's worst score shall be discarded. This changes rule A2.
10. **COACHES** - Coaches may be asked to register at the event.
11. **SAFETY** - A US Coast Guard approved personal flotation device shall be worn, properly fastened, at all times while launching and when sailing. Failure to comply with this rule may result in disqualification. A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee vessel before leaving the course, or when that is impossible, **at the registration table in the tent** immediately after arrival ashore. All competitors are **strongly encouraged** to wear a form of head protection while sailing.
12. **MEDIA RIGHTS** - By participating in this regatta, a competitor (or parent/guardian if under age 18) grants to the OA and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any photographs, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the period of the competition without compensation.
13. **DISCIPLINE**
 - 13.1 Per US Sailing Regulation 5.03 no contestant shall use, either on or off the water, during any US Sailing sanctioned event: marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in chapter 51 of the U.S. IRC Code and intended for beverage use). This regulation is in effect from date and time of arrival through date and time of departure from the locale. The penalty shall be that the contestant after a proper hearing, be immediately removed from the regatta venue and, where practical, sent home.
 - 13.2 All competitors are expected to maintain the highest level of conduct throughout the entire event. When the Protest Committee, from its own observation or a report received from any source believes that a competitor may have committed a breach of a rule, good manners, or sportsmanship, or may have brought the sport into disrepute, it may call a hearing. After a proper hearing the penalty may range from a reprimand to dismissal from the regatta and additional action may be taken under RRS 69.

13.3 Hearings will be held generally in accordance with the recommendations of Appendix M5 of the RRS. The officers for hearing a violation will consist of the Chief Judge, acting as chairman of the hearing, the Protest Committee and the event chair.

14. PRIZES

USA Junior Olympic medals will be awarded to competitors placing first through third in all divisions.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact **Event Chairman Christopher Scott by email at cgs@shingleisland.com** and check the web site for further information.

Host Clubs:

***The Northeast Harbor Fleet and Sailing School
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Northeast Harbor, ME 04462
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General Manager- Franny Charles fcharles@mit.edu
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***The MDI Community Sailing Center
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Southwest Harbor, ME 04679
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ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

LIFE JACKETS

All support people on the water – race committee, mark and safety boat operators, parents, etc. – are strongly encouraged to wear PFDs.

HOUSING

A limited amount of housing is available in private homes. Please contact housing chair John Henry at jchenry21@gmail.com

The Kimball Terrace Inn is located adjacent to the Town Green in Northeast Harbor. Please contact them as soon as possible for reservations as this is peak tourist season. A block of 25 rooms has been set aside for the Jos. Room rates are \$170-180/ night depending on # of beds. They can be reached at 207-276-3383.

Asticou Inn <http://www.asticou.com/> 207-276-3344
and the Mount Desert Chamber of Commerce as a resource [207-276-5040](tel:207-276-5040)

HIKING and ACADIA NATIONAL PARK ACCESS

There are many gorgeous trail hikes which start from very close to the village of Northeast Harbor. On both mornings at 10am the Event Chairman, Christopher Scott will be available to recommend suggested hiking and or biking trails. Acadia has spectacularly well groomed trails with spectacular scenery. Bring water, snack bars and enjoy. Dogs are welcome on leash, too.

SPECTATOR BOATS

Both MDI Community Sailing Center and the Northeast Harbor Fleet will be organizing spectator boats departing from the dock at 48 South Shore Rd at 1045 am for the opti colored course, green course and outside line with lasers, mercs and 420s. More details to follow in Sailing Instructions for those interested in getting out on the water.