



**Junior Olympics Sailing Festival 2017 - Ohio
Organizing Authority: Mentor Harbor Yachting Club**

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1** The regatta 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 Thistles, *Laser, Club 420, Laser Radial, Optimist* classes.
- 1.3** The following rules will be changed: rule 40 and A2. These changes will also appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. Additional rules may also be changed in the Sailing Instructions.

2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

2.1 AGE

Applicants for all classes must not turn **19** years old in the year of the event following the summer of their senior year of high school. Optimist class age rules apply.

2.2 US SAILING MEMBERSHIP

Membership in US Sailing is required for each competitor (helmsman and crew for doublehanded classes). Sailors can join online at www.ussailing.org/membership.

2.3 CLASS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

US Sailing recommends that competitors are members of their respective class associations (i.e., Optimist, Laser, Club 420, etc.).

2.4 GREEN REGATTA

This regatta is a Sailors for the Sea "Clean Regatta." 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."

3. BOATS/MEASUREMENT

3.1 Boat class *Thistle* with crew of 3 including helmsman, will be used.

Boat class of *C420* with crew of 2 including helmsman, will be used.

Boat class *Opti* will be used.

Boat classes *Laser* and *Laser Radial* will be used.

3.2 Competitors are required to bring their own boats.

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

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

4. FEES

The entry fee for all classes is \$115 per sailor. The entry fee includes an official USA Junior Olympic T-shirt, lunches, dinner, parties, clinics, trophies. The first 130 registrants will also receive a goodie bag filled with lots of great stuff.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, June 9 Registration & check-in, RS Feva demo, coach clinic

Sat., June 10 Sailor Clinic, First races of the series, additional sailing demos after racing

Sun, June 11 Sailor Clinic, additional races, awards presentation

The Opti Green Fleet schedule will be the same through the Skippers Meeting at which point a second, separate meeting for Opti Green Fleet sailors may be conducted and the remainder of the schedule for that fleet will be announced.

6. **ADVANCE REGISTRATION** - Competitors shall register in advance by registering online at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/14326>. Entry deadline is; **May 30**. Late fee of \$35 per sailor applies thereafter with registration closing on June 10 at 9:30 a.m.

7. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available at registration and on the web at: <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/14326>

8. **SCORING** - A maximum of 8 races are scheduled, of which 3 shall be completed to constitute a series. If 7 or more races are sailed, a boat's worst score shall be discarded. This changes rule A2.

9. **COACHES** - Coaches are required to check in with a name and phone number at the registration desk. Coaches who bring proof of US Sailing certification will be given appropriate access to participants and recognition. All coach / parent boats shall register with the Race Committee. Each coach / parent boat shall have a working VHF radio. The conduct of registered support boats and all other boats including spectator boats shall be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the

Sailing Instructions. A FREE coaching clinic is offered on Friday from 5p-8:30p. Additional debriefs and coaching tips will be offered throughout the event. The coaching registration fee of \$80 provides all meals, parties and t-shirt.

- 10. SAFETY** - A US Coast Guard approved personal flotation device shall be worn and properly fastened, at all times while launching and when sailing, except briefly when adding or removing clothing. Each competitor is urged to have a whistle attached to their PFD. 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, the Safety Marshal at the Gas Dock immediately after arrival ashore.

An adult (parent, guardian or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of each sailor. It is the responsibility solely of this adult to decide if the sailor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. The adults supervising the competitors are ultimately responsible for the risks.

Parents not personally attending the event must ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their sailor and each competitor shall indicate in writing the parent or adult representative that shall be responsible for the competitor throughout the event.

The designated adult will accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the Regatta. Each team is required to have at least one onshore parent available during all racing.

- 11. MEDIA RIGHTS** - By participating in this re ~~Boat class Opti will be used~~ gatta, a competitor (or parent/guardian if under age 18) grants to the OA, US Sailing and their 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.

12. DISCIPLINE

- 12.1** Per US Sailing Regulation 10.03 no participant or competitor shall use or possess, either on or off the water: 1) marijuana or any other substance if possession is illegal under state or federal law; or 2) any alcoholic beverages. This regulation is in effect from date and time of arrival through date and time of departure from the venue.
- 12.2** 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 good manners, a breach of good sportsmanship, unethical behavior or conduct

that may bring 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.

12.3 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.

13. PRIZES

Junior Olympic medals will be awarded to competitors placing first through third in all divisions. Green Fleet medals will be awarded to all Green Fleet participants. Other awards and a raffle will be announced.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact MHYC, JO Regatta Chair Kathy Allyn @ mhycsailcamp@gmail.com. Check the website for further information.

Venue: Camping is allowed with permission if requested by June 1. Additional housing is available by Club members, first come, first served. Dogs are welcome on club grounds, outside the perimeter of the Clubhouse/patio and pool. The club is open for enjoyment by the guests, participants and families, June 9-11, including the restaurant/bar, showering facilities, pool, beaches and grounds. Trailer parking and storage will be on site.

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Disclaimer of Liability

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

LIFE JACKETS

Each competitor is urged to have a whistle attached to his or her life jacket.

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

The social schedule will be available on the registration website.

Please contact mhycsailcamp@gmail.com with housing requests for camping or staying in nearby member homes.