

USA Junior Olympic Sailing Festival
DBMS Jr. Regatta
August 12 & 13, 2017

Duxbury Bay Maritime School, Duxbury, MA

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Club 420 and Optimist Championship Fleet

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by *rules* as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the rules of the Club 420 and Optimist Classes (except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions), and by these Sailing Instructions.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located on the back deck of the Duxbury Bay Maritime School (DBMS).

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not later than 30 minutes prior to the actual harbour start on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole on the waterfront side of the DBMS main building.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

4.3 International code flag R displayed and accompanied by one sound signal means: "Boats may leave the floats or launching area and proceed to the race area."

4.4 Flag B fully hoisted with one sound signal means 'Protest time has begun.' When lowered halfway, it means 'There are less than 30 minutes remaining before protest time ends.' When lowered, it means 'Protest time has ended.'

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

The regatta schedule is as follows:

Saturday, August 12	1030	Competitors meeting
	1215	Harbor start
	1245	First warning signal
	1830	No warning signal after this time
	After Racing	Cookout at DBMS for competitors
Sunday, August 13	1315	Harbor start
	1345	First warning signal
	1800	No warning signal after this time
	After Racing	Awards

*Subsequent races each day will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Flag</i>
420	White flag with the 420 insignia
Optimist	White flag with the Optimist insignia

7 RACING AREAS

Attachment A shows the location of racing areas.

8 THE COURSES

The diagrams in Attachment B show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9 MARKS

9.1 Marks on the 420 line will be yellow tetrahedrons.

9.2 Marks on the Opti Champ line will be orange tetrahedrons.

9.3 An offset mark may be used with a windward mark. The offset mark will be located approximately 50-100 yards from the windward mark. Boats shall pass the windward mark to port and then pass the offset mark to port. If an offset mark is in place, it must be honored.

10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag or shape on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end of the line (looking upwind) and the port-end starting mark.

10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

10.4 If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line during the start and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will set a new mark of a different color and attempt to remove the original mark as soon as practicable. The Race Committee may shorten the course for any reason. This changes RRS 32.2.

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag or shape on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of a nearby finishing mark at the port end.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 Penalty at the time of an incident. The following sections of Appendix V shall apply: Penalty at the Time of an Incident; the first two sentences of Rule 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty."

13.2 Appendix T, Arbitration will be in effect.

14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

14.1 The time limit for each race will be 90 minutes for the first boat to finish. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4, and A5.

14.2 The race committee, at its discretion, may score a boat in its probable finishing position, provided that at least one boat finishes within the time limit. This changes rules 35, A3, and A4.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 A competitor intending to protest shall inform the skipper or crew of the protested boat at the first reasonable opportunity. If the protest concerns an incident in the racing area in which a competitor is involved or that a competitor sees, that competitor shall hail "Protest" at the first reasonable opportunity for each party. Protest forms are available at the race office, located at the front desk of the main building. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

15.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 45 minutes after the Race Committee signal boat for that fleet has docked.

15.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the race office in the main building, beginning at the time posted. This posting shall constitute the notification required by RRS 61.1(b) and RRS 63.2.

15.4 The protest committee may penalize without a hearing a boat that has broken RRS 42, provided that a member of the protest committee or its designated observer has seen the incident. A disqualification under Rule 42 shall not be excluded from the boat's series score. A boat so penalized shall be informed by notification in the race results.

15.5 If a competitor has been informed he is being protested it shall be his responsibility to check the official notice board to see if he is listed as a protested boat. Failure to check the notice board and/or failure to show up at a scheduled hearing may result in a hearing being held with only one party in attendance.

16 SCORING

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

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

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

(c) When from ten to fourteen races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

(d) When fifteen or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 Check-Out and Check-In is required at all of the launching sites. If a boat is to check back in anywhere other than where they launched and checked out from they need to let the race committee know as soon as practicable. All boats are also required to check-in with the race committee signal boat prior to the first race each day.

17.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

19 SUPPORT BOATS

19.1 Except when rendering assistance to a boat in danger at that boat's request, or at the request of the Race Committee, coach boats, support boats, spectator boats, and other support personnel shall stay at least 100 yards outside areas where boats are racing, from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals an abandonment.

19.2 All support boats shall obey the request of official safety boats pertaining to the location of support boats with respect to the competitors. Competitors are responsible for the behavior of their parents and coaches. Violation of this provision may result in disqualification of the competitor or competitors associated with the craft for the race in which the violation occurs. Support personnel — Race Committee, mark and safety boat operators, parents, etc. — are strongly encouraged to wear fully secured PFDs while on the water.

19.3 All coach boats and other support boats/support personnel must agree to aid any competitor in distress or requesting assistance of any sort.

20 TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

21 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to competitors placing first through third in all divisions.

22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.