



**2017 USA JUNIOR OLYMPIC
SAILING FESTIVAL –
LAKE ST CLAIR CHAMPIONSHIP
September 8-10, 2017
Grosse Pointe Yacht Club
Grosse Pointe Shores, Michigan
National JO Sponsors: Gill, Sperry,
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Organizing Authority: Grosse Pointe Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-20* (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, Collegiate 420, and 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. 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 class association.

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 CLASSES

- 3.1.1** Boat class Club 420 (spinnaker & trapeze), with crew of two including helmsman, will be used.
- 3.1.2** Boat class Collegiate 420 (jib & main only), with crew of two including helmsman, will be used.
- 3.1.3** Boat class Laser, with crew of one including helmsman, will be used.
- 3.1.4** Boat class Laser Radial, with crew of one including helmsman, will be used.
- 3.1.5** Boat class Optimist, with crew of one including helmsman, will be used.
- 3.1.6** Boat class Optimist Green, with crew of one including helmsman, will be used.

3.2 A minimum of three boats must be registered in order for a class to race.

3.3 Competitors are encouraged to bring their own boats. A limited number of boats are available for charter.

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

3.5 Each competitor will be responsible for their boat being in compliance with the class rules.

4. FEES

The entry fee for all classes is \$125.00 per competitor. The entry fee includes an official USA Junior Olympic T-shirt, continental breakfasts and lunches during both days of the event, and dinner & awards on Sunday. Registrants will also receive a goodie bag at registration.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, September 8

- 1200-1900 Club open to arrivals
Coach & support boat launching
On the water practice available
- 1600-1900 Check-In: Competitors & Coach/Support Boats –
Regatta Headquarters

Saturday, September 9

- 0730-0830 Check-In: Competitors & Coach/Support Boats –
Regatta Headquarters
Continental Breakfast & Lunch Assembly – East Lawn
- 0830 Race Committee Meeting – Regatta Headquarters
- 0850 Coaches Meeting – Sailing Center
- 0915 Competitors, Coaches and Parents Meeting – Sailing Center
- 0930 Harbor Start
- 1030 First Warning
Lunch on the water
- 1600 No first warning signal after this time

Sunday, September 10

0700-0830	Continental Breakfast & Lunch Assembly – East Lawn
0815	Coaches Meeting – Sailing Center
0845	Harbor Start
0930	First Warning Lunch on the water
1400	No first warning signal after this time Dinner and Awards Ceremony after Final Results – East Lawn

The Optimist Green Fleet schedule will be the same through the Competitors, Coaches & Parents Meeting at which point a second, separate meeting for Optimist 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 www.regattanetwork.com. Entry deadline is 1200 EDT on Wednesday, August 23, 2017. A late fee of \$35.00 applies thereafter.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available at registration, and posted in advance on the event web site: www.gpycjrolympicsailing.org.

8. SCORING

A maximum of 10 races are scheduled, of which one shall be completed to constitute a series. If six or more races are completed, a boat's worst score shall be discarded. This changes rule A2.

9. COACHES

Coaches may be asked to register. 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, and each person aboard shall wear a PFD when on the water. The conduct of registered support boats and all other boats including spectator boats shall be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the SIs.

10. SAFETY

A US Coast Guard-approved personal flotation device shall be worn, 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 On-Shore Safety Officer 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.

11. MEDIA RIGHTS

By participating in this regatta, a competitor (or the parent/guardian for a competitor under the age of 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 under paragraph 12.2 will be held generally in accordance with the recommendations of Appendix M5 of the RRS. The officers for such a hearing 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, and first through fifth overall for Optimists. Optimist Green Fleet medals will be awarded to all Optimist Green Fleet participants.

14. 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.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact the Regatta Chair below and check the event website for further information.

Event Web Site:

www.gpycjrolympicsailing.org

Host Club:

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