

## **NOTICE OF RACE (NOR)**

### **TEXAS SAILING ASSOCIATION YOUTH CIRCUIT REGATTA (TSA)**

#### **Kick Off Regatta**

Hosted by Lakewood Yacht Club  
2425 NASA Parkway  
Seabrook, Texas 77586  
281-474-2511

February 10th & 11th, 2018

#### **1. RULES:**

- a. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- b. "The Texas Youth Racing Circuit Conditions" apply and are available on the web site at [www.tx-sail.org](http://www.tx-sail.org). A copy will also be available at the regatta site.
- c. The rules for all classes are altered so that membership in a class organization is not required.
- d. Racing Rules 61.1(a), Protest Requirements and Appendix A2, Scoring Systems are modified for this series. Racing Rule 49.1 is changed to allow the use of hiking pants.

#### **2. ADVERTISING:**

- a. This regatta is classified as a Category A Event in accordance with RRS Appendix 1, Regulation 20 ISAF Advertising Code.

#### **3. ELIGIBILITY:**

- a. The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist, Laser (Full, Radial and 4.7) and Double-Handed (FJ and Club 420). LYC has 18 FJ boats "first come – first serve" basis. Contact Bernat Gali Bou [youthsailing@lakewoodyachtclub.com](mailto:youthsailing@lakewoodyachtclub.com) for charter. All other classes are "bring your own boat". A minimum of three (3) boats is required to form a class. All boats shall have identifiable sail numbers. Sail numbers meeting class standards are encouraged.
- b. The regatta is open to all junior sailors who are less than twenty years old and who do not turn twenty (20) years of age during this calendar year.
- c. Optimists are sailed in four fleets:
  - i. Green Fleet: Open to all novice sailors under age 15 and through 12/31 of the calendar year in which they turn age 15
  - ii. White Fleet: Age 10 and under
  - iii. Blue Fleet: Age 11 – 12
  - iv. Red Fleet: Age 13 – 15
- d. For Optimist White, Blue and Red fleets, skipper's age on the first day of the regatta determines his or her fleet. Skippers move fleets on their 11th and 13th birthdays. Those turning 15 may continue in Red fleet through 12/31 of that year.

#### **4. ENTRY FEE:**

- a. The entry fee is \$65.00 for each sailor, whether in single or double-handed boats. The entry fee includes one (1) regatta T-Shirt and a wristband for the following meals for each sailor: breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday and breakfast and lunch on Sunday. Meal wristbands are available for non-competitors for an extra charge of \$20. Make all registration checks payable to Lakewood Yacht Club.

5. REGISTRATION AND CHECK IN:
- a. Pre-Registration is encouraged and may be done online at [txsail.org](http://txsail.org)
  - b. Registration and check-in at the regatta will be conducted Saturday, February 10th, between 8:00 – 9:00 am in the Seahorse Sailing Facility. Late fees will apply for day of registration at \$20 per sailor. Execution of a Liability Release Agreement as set forth in the Registration Form shall be required. Parents are urged to provide a signed Medical Consent Form to enable other adults to obtain emergency medical services in the event of the parents' unavailability during the regatta.

6. SCHEDULE:
- a. Subject to the decisions of the Race Committee, six (6) or more races are scheduled.
    - i. One (1) or more races will constitute a regatta. If five (5) or more races are completed, there will be one throw out race for scoring purposes. If ten (10) or more races are completed there will be one (1) additional throw out – two (2) total – for scoring purposes.
  - b. The schedule for the regatta is:

Friday, February 9th, 2018

The Club will be open all day to allow unloading of boats. You may enjoy club facilities and use a credit card, just let them know you are registered for the regatta. There is a dress code for dining room but the lounge, bar and pool area are open for casual.

Saturday, February 10th, 2018

0800-0900 Breakfast and Registration

0930 Skipper's Meeting at the Seahorse Sailing Facility - Attendance Mandatory  
Pick up lunch after meeting in Seahorse Lounge

1015 Boats sailing in the Bay leave docks.

1100 Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow

1 Hour after Racing Dinner

Sunday, February 11th, 2018

0800-0830 Breakfast

0830 Pick up Lunch Seahorse Lounge

0915 Boats sailing in the Bay leave docks.

1000 Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow

1400 No first warning signal after this time After Racing Awards Ceremony

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Sailing Instructions will be provided at registration and at the Skipper's Meeting. If published in time, they may also be posted on the TSA website at [www.txsail.org](http://www.txsail.org)
8. VENUE: Green Fleet races will be conducted on Clear Lake near Lakewood Yacht Club. RWB, Laser and 420 will be sailed in Galveston bay. All optis must be towed through the Kemah channel to the bay area for racing. Tows are strongly recommended for all Lasers and 420s. If you do not have a coach or parent to tow you please contact Elizabeth Morrell at [ehmorrell@gmail.com](mailto:ehmorrell@gmail.com)
9. SAFETY: A U.S. Coast Guard approved personal buoyancy device will be worn by all competitors while on the water. Wet or Dry suits are not considered adequate buoyancy devices for this purpose. All buoyancy devices shall be worn on the outside of all clothing with the exception of team pinnies.

10. **DISCIPLINE:** Per US SAILING Regulation 5.03 no contestant shall use, either on or off the water, during any Texas Sailing Association Junior 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.
- a. All competitors, coaches and parents 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.
  - b. 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 Chairman of the Texas Sailing Association Junior Committee or his or her designee in the event he or she is not present. The regatta chair shall serve ex officio as a nonvoting member of the panel and will have an open right to express his or her views during the course of the hearing process.
11. **TROPHY PRESENTATION:** Trophy presentations will be held on Sunday afternoon approximately one (1) hour after the last race or when protest hearing(s) are completed. Number of trophies will be determined by the number of entries in each fleet. A minimum of three (3) participants is required for a trophy in a particular class. Participation awards will be given to all green fleet sailors.
12. **FURTHER INFORMATION:** For further information please contact: Regatta Chair Elizabeth Morrell ehmorrell@gmail.com or Bernat Gali Bou youthsailing@lakewoodyachclub.com