

**2009 Duxbury Bay Opti Regatta  
July 25-26, 2009**

**Duxbury Bay Maritime School  
Duxbury, Massachusetts**

**NOTICE OF RACE**

**1.0 Rules**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 All prescriptions of US Sailing will apply.
- 1.3 The “class rules” for the purposes of the definition of “rules” are the International Optimist Association Class Rules.
- 1.4 Racing rules listed below will be changed as indicated. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
  - a. RRS 61.1 (2) will not apply.
- 1.5 All competitors will be required to wear a properly fastened USCG-approved personal flotation device at all times except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Each competitor shall have a whistle attached to their PFD at all times while on the water.
- 1.6 Each boat shall have a secure loop in the end its bow line.

**2.0 Eligibility**

- 2.1 Boats of the International Optimist Dinghy Class are eligible to compete.
- 2.2 Competitors will have been born on or after January 1, 1994.
- 2.3 All competitors shall provide a release for medical care signed by a parent or guardian.

**3.0 Entry, Check-in & Sailing Instruction Availability**

- 3.1 Competitors are required to enter on-line via Regatta Network. On-line entry, including the payment of the entry fee, is at [https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet\\_club\\_events.php?CLUB\\_ID=308](https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_club_events.php?CLUB_ID=308). On-line entry closes at 18:00 on Friday, July 24.
- 3.2 Payment of the entry fee is required at the time of entry.
- 3.3 An entry is not complete until a representative of each boat has checked in at the Duxbury Bay Maritime School during the times listed in NOR 5.0.
- 3.4 Sailing Instructions will be available at check-in.

#### **4.0 Entry Fees and Payment**

- 4.1 The entry fee is \$50 per boat.
- 4.2 The entry fee includes a regatta T-shirt for entries received before July 14, 2009. T-shirts for entries received after July 14 will be subject to availability.
- 4.3 Entry fee includes an on-land rigging/tuning clinic and lunch before racing on Saturday and refreshments after racing on Sunday.

#### **5.0 Format of the Regatta**

- 5.1 There will be a Championship Fleet and a Green Fleet.
- 5.2 The Championship Fleet will be divided into three groups according to the ages of the competitors on July 25, 2009 as follows:

White Fleet: 10 years old or younger.

Blue Fleet: 11 or 12 years old.

Red Fleet: 13 years old or older and shall not have reached their 16th birthday in the current calendar year.

- 5.3 The Green Fleet is intended for novice racers.

#### **6.0 Schedule**

Friday, July 24	18:00	On-line entry closes
Saturday, July 25	08:30-10:30	On-site check-in
	09:00-10:00	On-land rigging/tuning clinic
	11:00	Skippers meeting
	11:30	Champ Fleet harbor start
	12:00	Green Fleet harbor start
	12:15	Champ Fleet first warning signal
	12:45	Green Fleet first warning signal
	17:00	No warning signal after this time
Sunday, July 26	12:30	Champ Fleet harbor start
	13:00	Green Fleet harbor start
	13:15	Champ Fleet first warning signal
	13:45	Green Fleet first warning signal
	17:00	No warning signal after this time
	ASAP after racing	Awards at DBMS

#### **7.0 Venue**

- 7.1 The location of all regatta landside activities and launching area will be the Duxbury Bay Maritime School, 457 Washington St, Duxbury, MA.
- 7.2 The racing area for all fleets will be Duxbury Bay.

#### **8.0 Scoring**

- 8.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

8.2 A boat's series score will exclude her worst race score if five or more races are completed.

8.3 The regatta is a designated *Southern Massachusetts Sailing Association 2009 Opti Grand Prix* event. Scores of competitors representing SMSA clubs are eligible for inclusion in their Grand Prix score.

## **9.0 Boat Identification**

9.1 Identification on sails must comply with the RRS, except for chartered, loaned, or club boats, which must carry a unique, clearly visible, legible sail number, which must be provided at check-in.

9.2 A boat may not change her sail number during the regatta unless specifically approved by the Race Committee.

## **10.0 Safety and Adult Responsibility**

10.1 An adult (the parent, guardian, or a 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.

10.2 Parents and guardians not personally attending any part of the event shall 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 will be responsible for the competitor throughout the event.

10.3 The designated adult shall 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.

## **11.0 Support boats**

11.1 All visiting coach boats are required to register with the regatta registrars at check in time.

11.2 Each coach boat shall have a working VHF radio, an anchor suitable for anchoring in the waiting area, and a basic first aid kit.

## **12.0 Prizes**

12.1 Regatta prizes will be awarded to first through third places in each Champ Fleet division.

12.2 Participation awards will be given to all Green Fleet competitors.

## **13.0 Contact Information**

For further information please contact the Duxbury Bay Maritime School.

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