



**New Bedford Junior Regatta
and
US Sailing's Chubb U.S. Junior Sailing Championships
Area A Elimination
The U.S. Junior Doublehanded Championship for the Bemis Trophy**

**NOTICE OF RACE
July 7-8, 2012**

The organizing authority of the New Bedford Junior Regatta, herein referred to as NBJR, is organized under the authority of the New Bedford Yacht Club Junior Regatta Committee, and will be sailed under the management of the Race Committee.

1. Rules

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US Sailing, U.S.O.D.A. Class Rules, 420 Class Rules, the Laser Class Rules, the Sailing Instructions*, and any other applicable rules.
- 1.2 The following racing rules will be changed as follows and apply only to competitors of The U.S. Junior Doublehanded Elimination:
- 1.2.1 Racing Rule of Sailing [Rule] 29.1 and Rule 30.1 are changed to permit the hailing of recall numbers. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, an untimely hail of OCS boats, failure to hail any boats, and the order of the boats in the hail shall not be grounds for granting redress.
- 1.2.2 Rule 40 is changed so that competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard (USCG) approved Type III or V Personal Floatation Device (PFD), inherently buoyant (i.e. not inflatable) while on the water, except for brief periods while changing clothing.
- 1.2.3 Rule 60.1(a) is changed to prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of any class rule other than class equipment measurement rules.
- 1.2.4 Rule 60.3 is changed to permit the Protest Committee to protest a boat when, from its own observation or a report received from any source, it believes a competitor may have committed a breach of good manners, or sportsmanship, or may have brought the sport or the event into disrepute. A Protest Committee may call representatives from the Organizing Authority and/or Regatta Committee as witnesses.
- 1.2.5 Rule 61.1(a) is changed so that "A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the Race Committee finish boat of her intention as soon as possible after finishing, including the boat identification number of the boat(s) being protested."
- 1.2.6 Rule 64.1 is changed to allow penalties imposed by the Protest Committee, for hearings held under Rule 60.3, as changed, which may range from a reprimand to a dismissal from the regatta.
- 1.2.7 Rule 77 is changed such that a boat is not required to display national letters; however, competitors may be required to apply recall numbers to their boat or sail.



- 1.2.8 These changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

2- Disciplines

- 1.1 A minimum of three (3) boats for the Optimist and Laser divisions and a minimum of five (5) boats for the Club 420 division and the U.S. Sailing Junior Doublehanded Area A Elimination are required **to race all races** unless there redress is granted. If not, the fleet will not be sailed. The regatta shall include the following disciplines utilizing the following class compliant equipment:

- 2.1.1 Singlehanded Dinghy -- BYOB Optimist/Laser
- 2.1.2 Doublehanded Dinghy -- BYOB Club 420 with Spinnaker, Trapeze and mainsheet bridle.

3-Eligibility & Entry

- 3.1 Classes: International Optimist Dinghy: Green*/White/Blue/Red Fleet, Club 420 Fleet, and Laser: Full Rig, Radial and 4.7. (*Green Fleet for novice Optimist sailors only)
- 3.2 Competitors must not have reached their 19th birthday during the calendar year in which the event is held.
- 3.3 The Race Committee reserves the right to limit the number of registrations to 80 Optimists, 45 Lasers, and 95 420's. (Amended 7/3/12)
- 3.4 ELIGIBILITY for the U.S. Junior Doublehanded Area A Elimination:
 - 3.4.1 Competitors must have reached their 13th birthday but not their 19th birthday during the calendar year in which the event is held.
 - 3.4.2 Competitors must be individual or family members of US Sailing at the time of their respective first qualification event.
- 1.1.3 All helms must be a member of a Local Sailing Organization (LSO)* that is a member of its Regional Sailing Association (RSA) and US Sailing.
- 1.1.4 For the Doublehanded Championships- other crew member(s) must be members of a LSO that is a member of US Sailing within the same RSA as the helm.
- 1.1.5 All the members of a crew shall reside in or regularly compete in the same RSA where the club is geographically located.
- 1.1.6 An Alternate is named on the entry form at the first level of competition, and may not be changed in the competitive year.

4- Registration

- 4.1 Registration for this regatta may only be completed online. The registration link can be found at www.nbyc.com/racing/nbjr. All sailors must submit a completed online registration form and it must be received by the Registration Committee no later than July 1, 2012 at 11:59pm to be considered on time.
- 4.2 Competitors for the The U.S. Junior Doublehanded Championship Area A Elimination must register with an individual sailing membership number from US Sailing. (If family membership, contact US Sailing for an individual membership number at no additional cost.)
- 4.3 The entry fee is \$75.00 per sailor.



- 4.4 A registration will be considered late if it is received after July 1, 2012 at 11:59pm.
- 4.5 A \$20.00 late fee will apply to all late registrations.

5- Schedule of Events

- 5.1 Saturday, July 7, 2012
 - 7:30-8:45am: Registration & Breakfast Buffet for sailors
 - 9:00am: Skippers' meeting/Launching/Races to follow
 - Box lunch on the water
 - 3:00-5:00 pm Cookout for sailors under the tent immediately following the races
- 5.2 Sunday, July 8, 2012
 - 9:00am: Skippers' meeting/Launching/Races to follow
 - Snack on water
 - 12:30pm – Last Optimist Green Fleet race to start no later than 12:30PM
 - 1:00pm: Last Optimist race to start no later than 1:00PM
 - 2:00pm: Last 420 and Laser race to start no later than 2:00PM
 - Lunch for sailors and awards ceremony following the races
 - *Green Fleet Award Ceremony will take place at approximately 1:00pm

6- Sailing Instructions

- 6.1 The sailing instructions and courses to be sailed will be available at check in.

7- Venue

- 7.1 The racing area will be the Padanaram outer harbor and approximately ¼ mile south of Apponagansett Bay.

8--Scoring

- 8.1 There will be no maximum number of races. The Race Committee will start as many races as practical. A minimum of three races must be completed to constitute a regatta. One throw out will be allowed after five races are completed.

9-Protest & Appeals

- 1.1 The following rules apply to competitors in The U.S. Junior Doublehanded Area A Elimination.
 - 9.1.2 Protests and Appeals: Under rule 70.5(a), there shall be no appeal of the decision of a protest or request for redress. However, a decision following a hearing under rule 69.1(a) may be appealed.
 - 1.1.3 E-mail and phone contact information for the helm of each boat entered and for the chairmen of the Protest Committee and the Race Committee shall be posted on the official notice board at all times during the event.
 - 1.1.4 Rule 65.2 is changed as follows:
 - 65.2** A party to the hearing is entitled to receive the above information in writing, provided she asks for it in writing and hand-delivers her request to a member of the protest committee no later than the protest time limit on the last day of racing or one hour after being informed of the decision, whichever is later. The committee shall then, within two hours, hand-deliver the



information to the *party*, including when relevant, a diagram of the incident prepared or endorsed by the committee.

1.1.5 Rule 66 is changed as follows:

66 REOPENING A HEARING

66.1 A hearing may be reopened when the protest committee decides that it may have made a significant error, or when significant new evidence becomes available within a reasonable time.

Area Elimination Reopening(a) A party to a hearing of a protest or request for redress may request an Area Semi Final Reopening. The request shall be in writing and include the significant error that the party believes the protest committee made or the nature of the significant new evidence that is available. The request shall be made no later than 24 hours after the hearing or 24 hours after the protest time limit on the last day of racing, whichever is later. The request, alongwith copies of the original protest or request for redress, the facts found, the decision of the protest committee, any new evidence that cannot be presented verbally, and e-mail and phone contact information for all parties to the hearing as well as the chairman of the protest committee, shall be sent by e-mail to the US SAILING Championships Director, LizWalker@USSAILING.org, and the US SAILING Championships Chairman, swmadero@aol.com.(b) The protest committee for an Area Elimination Reopening shall consist of the chairman of the original protest committee plus four certified judges appointed by US SAILING. A majority of the committee's members shall be Senior or International Judges. US SAILING will appoint its chairman.(c) An Area Elimination Reopening will be conducted by telephone conference call. The time and date for the conference call shall be established by the chairman as soon as practicably possible and no later than seven days after the request for reopening is e-mailed. The chairman will e-mail to the parties to the hearing the request for reopening, the facts found, the decision of the protest committee, the time and date of the hearing, the process for joining the call and any other relevant documents.

10- Coaching and Support Boats

1.1 This is a Grade 1 Event as defined in the US Sailing Championship Support Vessel Policy.

10.2 Coaches with boats are requested to submit a Coach Registration Form, which can be found at www.nbyc.com/racing/nbjr.

1.3 All coaches, and/or support personnel shall register by the deadline stated or before 1700hrs on the day of registration at the host venue. Proof of current First Aid, CPR and US SAILING Level 2 certification or its equivalent from another NGB or proof of current First Aid, CPR and a certificate of liability insurance for \$1 million (US) will be required.

10.3.1 Any coach and/or support personnel who does not have current First Aid and CPR and/or has neither US SAILING Level 2 certification (or its equivalent from another National Governing Body) nor has provided proof of \$1 million dollars (US) liability insurance may be provided a fixed venue on the water. Competitors are free to sail up to the venue between races but must be



out of the coaching box (to be defined by the event SI's) from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals abandonment.

- 10.3.2 A support boat is defined as a vessel in which interested party (parties) reside(s) while on the water and who have direct ties to a competitor or group of competitors.
- 10.3.3 A coach boat is defined as a vessel in which a coach (or coaches) reside(s) while on the water and who have direct ties to a competitor or group of competitors.
- 1.4 Except when rendering assistance to a boat in danger at that boat's request, or at the request of the race committee, authorized coaches and other support personnel shall stay at least 100 meters outside areas where boats are racing or as indicated by the race committee, 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. Spectators shall stay at least 300 meters outside areas where boats are racing.
- a. All coach and support boats must have a working VHF radio and monitor the RC channel.
 - b. The PRO may release the coach boats onto the race course at his/her discretion i.e. after a general recall, postponement or if safety needs dictate it.
 - c. Support boats are not allowed on the race course until all boats have finished or unless released by the PRO.

11- Personal Floatation Devices & Personal Equipment

- 1.1 RRS 40 is changed to read "Competitors shall wear personal floatation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment."
- 1.2 PERSONAL FLOATATION DEVICES (PFD) AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT
- 1.3 Competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard (USCG) approved personal flotation device (PFD) while on the water other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. The PFD shall either be a USCG Type III or Type V device that depends 100% on foam for flotation. No modifications of the PFD are permitted. The PFD must be worn outside of all clothing except that a thin shirt may be worn over the PFD to prevent snagging.
- 1.4 The only gear, rigging, or equipment that a team may take aboard a boat shall be: magnetic card compass, flags, plastic bucket or bailer, normally equipped ditty-bag, personal effects, including PFDs and protective clothing. For the events using the C420, permission is granted to bring Fast-pins, and the competitors are required to bring their own trapeze harnesses.
- 1.5 Electronic fluxgate compasses and GPS devices of all varieties, styles and combinations are specifically banned.
- 1.6 The Protest Committee may protest and disqualify a competitor for breaking the rules of NOR 11 from all races on the day of the infringement.

12-Prohibited Substances

- 12.1 For Junior and Youth events or for junior or youth competitors in any US Sailing championship, no participant or competitor shall use, either on or off the water: 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. Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use).
- 1.2 An alleged breach of this requirement shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when the Protest Committee believes that a competitor may have breached the above requirement, it shall follow the process described in Rule 69.1, and a competitor found to have breached this requirement shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. The competitor's boat shall be disqualified from all races of the series.

13-Conduct of Competitors

- 13.1 All competitors are expected to maintain the highest levels of conduct throughout the entire event. Enforcement of discipline and conduct shall be conducted as per the Racing Rules of Sailing (Rule 69.1) and the policies and procedures of US Sailing (Regulation 15.01).

14-Awards

- 14.1 Awards will be presented as follows:
All Green fleet sailors will receive participation awards
Opti Circle: 1st-3rd White/Blue/Red Fleets & 1st-3rd Overall
420 Circle: 1st-5th Skipper and Crew
Laser Circle: 1st-3rd Full Rig/Radial/4.7
- 14.2.1 The Following prizes apply to competitors in the U.S. Junior Doublehanded Area A Elimination
- 14.2.2 The top two finishing, eligible teams will qualify for US Sailing's Chubb Junior Sailing Championships. Registration may only be made by completing the online forms at:
<http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/UDJrChampionships.htm> (the "Event Website")
- 14.2.3 All official applications, notices, forms, lists and results for the finals will be posted at
<http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/UDJrChampionships.htm>
- 14.2.4 Registrations shall be submitted online no later than the date listed on the Notice of Race for the U.S. Junior Championships.

15- Parking & Drop-off

- 15.1 Parking and drop-off instructions are available at www.nbyc.com/racing/nbjr

16-Housing

- 16.1 There is no housing available for the NBJR.

17-Launching Coach Boats and Spectator Boats



- 17.1 Coach boats and spectator boats may be launched at NBYC or at the town launch ramp in Padanaram at Apponagansett Park. The New Bedford Yacht Club will make an effort to provide moorings and dock space to those who need overnight storage, but space is limited. Go to www.nbyc.com/racing/nbjr for more specific information on coach and spectator boat launching.

18-Contact Information

Regatta Chair: Paula Kuphal
Registration Committee Chair: Laura Hunt

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