



CHUBB U.S. JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

US Sailing's Chubb U.S. Junior Sailing Championships

Area B Elimination

The U.S. Junior Doublehanded Championship for the Bemis Trophy
The U.S. Junior Singlehanded Championship for the Smythe Trophy

Organized by US Sailing and Mason's Island Jr Race Week

Hosted by Mason's Island Yacht Club

July 24- 25, 2012

NOTICE OF RACE

Posted June 1, 2012

1. RULES

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, and the Prescriptions of US Sailing.

1.2. The following documents shall apply:

1.2.1. US Sailing Regulation 10.

1.2.2. The Conditions for the United States Junior Sailing Championships.

1.2.3. The US Sailing Championship Support Vessel Policy.

http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/Coaching_and_Support_Vessels.htm

1.3. These Championships are not being conducted as a sanctioned or class association event. Only the Equipment Measurement Rules for the C420 and Laser classes will apply. However, US Sailing encourages sailors to join the C420 and Laser class Associations to support their efforts.

1.4. Racing rules will be changed as follows:

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.

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.

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.

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.

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."

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.

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.



When Borrowed Boats are provided for the competitors in a series, the Breakdown Procedure of Appendix D5 shall be utilized. Appendix D5.1 is changed to substitute a yellow flag for signaling a breakdown on the boat.

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

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

3. DISCIPLINES

- 3.1. A minimum of three (3) boats for the triplehanded and five(5) boats for the other divisions 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:

3.1.1. Singlehanded Dinghy -- BYOB Laser

3.1.2. Doublehanded Dinghy -- BYOB Club 420 with Spinnaker ,Trapeze and mainsheet bridle.

4. ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1. Competitors must have reached their 13th birthday but not their 19th birthday during the calendar year in which the event is held.
- 4.2. Competitors must be individual or family members of US Sailing at the time of their respective first qualification event.
- 4.3. 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.
- 4.4. For the Doublehanded and Triplehanded 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.
- 4.5. All the members of a crew shall reside in or regularly compete in the same RSA where the club is geographically located.
- 4.6. An Alternate is named on the entry form at the first level of competition, and may not be changed in the competitive year.

5. QUALIFICATION

- 5.1. This Area will qualify two (2) teams for both the Singlehanded and doublehanded disciplines
- 5.2. A Team is defined as all contestants listed on the entry form for a specific LSO, except the alternate.
- 5.3. The skipper must remain the same throughout the series of qualifying events within and through his/her Area Qualifying event and including the National Championship. If the skipper is unable to continue, then the runner-up team will be named to replace the winning team.
- 5.4. A crew member may be substituted with the named Alternate, with the approval of the Protest Committee, or if between events, by the next-level Protest Committee. Once so named,



the alternate shall compete as a named member of the team for the rest of the competitive year. An alternate, once used, may not be replaced or substituted for, without the written permission of the next level Protest Committee prior to the event.

6. REGISTRATION and ENTRY

- 6.1. Registration may only be made by *completing the online forms at: http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/ChubbJrChampionships/AreaElims_NOR.htm (the "Event Website")*.
- 6.2. Registrations shall be submitted on-line no later than 1800 (EDT), July 15, 2012.
- 6.3. If requested by the Organizing Authority, an applicant shall send a copy of his or her birth certificate or passport to complete the application.
- 6.4. The entry fee is \$ 75 per sailor, which includes: all meals, activities, trophies and host family housing (for participants who are not from the immediate area).
- 6.5. The entry fee shall be paid *by credit card* online at the time of registration. Entry fees are non-refundable unless a boat is present at the regatta and a fleet is not sailed. (See NOR 3.1.)
- 6.6. A completed entry is defined as all forms having been completed on-line and all appropriate entry forms having been received by the host club by July 24, 2012.
- 6.7. Housing is provided and is required for all competitors. *Local competitors may be permitted to stay at their own homes in accordance with the criteria detailed in the Conditions.*

7. SCHEDULE

Monday, July

5:00–7:00 pm 420 & Laser Registration, Arrival, and Launching of Coach Boats

7:00 pm Dinner and host family pick up for 420 & Laser sailors

Tuesday, July 24—420s & Lasers

8:00–9:30 am Registration, Participant & Instructor Check-in,
Launching of Boats

10:00 am Skippers' and Instructors' Meetings

10:30 am Harbor Start

11:30 am First Gun

5:00 to 6:30 pm Sailors Return

6:30 to 8:30 pm Dinner and DJ or band

8:30 to 9:00 pm Housing Pick-up

Wednesday, July 25

8:30 am Instructors' Meeting

9:00 am Harbor Start

10:00 am First Gun

4:00–5:00 pm Sailors Return

5:30 pm Cookout and Awards



8. CLINIC

- 8.1. A clinic may be held preceding the championship elimination. The purpose of the clinic will be to familiarize the competitors with the local conditions and probable race course. The clinic will include a practice race.

9. MEASUREMENT

- 9.1. Each boat shall comply with the equipment measurement rules of its class and may be inspected for compliance at any time during the regatta at the discretion of the Protest Committee.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1. The sailing instructions will be available at registration.

11. VENUE

- 11.1. The regatta will be sailed in Fishers Island Sound, Mason's Island Yacht Club, Mason's Island, Mystic, CT.

12. PENALTY SYSTEMS

- 12.1. Appendix P – Special Procedures for Rule 42 will apply.

13. SCORING

- 13.1. The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.
- 13.2. Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 13.3. (a) When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
(b) When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 13.4.) races are scheduled (this is a limiting maximum), except in the Triplehanded Division (see NOR 11.1).

14. PROTEST AND APPEALS

- 14.1. 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.
- 14.2. 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.
- 14.3. 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.

14.4. 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, along with 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.

15. SUPPORT & SPECTATOR BOATS

15.1. Spectator boats may be available via sign-up at the venue for Race Days.

16. COACHING

16.1. This is a Grade 1 Event as defined in the US Sailing Championship Support Vessel Policy. See http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/Coaching_and_Support_Vessels.htm

16.2. Except as provided in the Policy specified above, instructors, coaches and other support personnel and family members shall not go afloat in the defined racing area at any time during the clinic or racing days, except in spectator boats as defined in NOR 18.1.

16.3. Outside contact with competitors is prohibited on clinic and racing days commencing with the competitor's arrival at the host club and shall continue until dismissed by the clinic coach on clinic days, or released by the Protest Committee on racing days.

16.4. Outside contact is defined as a parent, family member, spectator, or coach. Competitors shall not receive advice, instruction, or any type of outside assistance (other than that provided by US Sailing) including electronic communication devices while at the sailing venue during the clinic and racing days. It is the intent of this rule to prohibit contact between competitors and



any person, who, in the opinion of the Protest Committee, is a coach, instructor or advisor except as defined above..

- 16.5. The Protest Committee may protest and disqualify a competitor for breaking the rules of NOR 19 from all races on the day of the infringement.

17. PERSONAL FLOATATION DEVICES (PFD) AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

- 17.1. 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.
- 17.2. 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.
- 17.3. Electronic fluxgate compasses and GPS devices of all varieties, styles and combinations are specifically banned.

18. PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

- 18.1. 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).
- 18.2. 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.

19. CONDUCT OF COMPETITORS

- 19.1. 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).
- 19.2. The curfew of the competitors shall be 11 pm.
- 19.3. Competitors are not permitted to drive any vehicle, including their own, during the event. Competitors that drive themselves to the host club shall leave their vehicle at their host family for the duration of the event.
- 19.4. 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 racing rule 69.1, and a competitor found to have breached this requirement shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and,



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20. PRIZES

20.1. The top finishing, eligible teams will qualify for US Sailing's Chubb U.S. Junior Sailing Championships. Registration may only be made by completing the online forms at: <http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/USJrChampionships.htm> (the "Event Website").

20.2. Registrations shall be submitted online no later the date listed on the Notice of Race for the U.S. Junior Championships.

20.3. Additional honors:

21. FURTHER INFORMATION

21.1. For further information please contact Paul Risseeuw at prisseeuw@aol.com.

21.2. Junior Sailing Championships Committee Chair is Vicki Sodaro, hoodsails@aol.com

21.3. Event Chair is Cindy Fazio, MIYC Jr Sailing, 917-439-6708

22. All official applications, notices, forms, lists and results for the finals will be posted at <http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/ChubbJrChampionships.htm>