New Bedford Junior Regatta NOTICE OF RACE July 12-13, 2014

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.

2. Disciplines

- 2.1 A minimum of three (3) boats for the Optimist and Laser divisions and a minimum of five (5) boats for the Club 420 division 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 Single handed Dinghy -- BYOB Optimist/Laser
- 2.1.2 Double handed 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

4. Registration

- 4.1 Registration for this regatta may only be completed online. The registration link can be found at http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/8620. All sailors must submit a completed online registration form and it must be received by the Registration Committee no later than July 8, 2014 at 11:59pm to be considered on time.
- 4.2 The entry fee is \$80.00 per sailor.
- 4.3 A registration will be considered late if it is received after July 8, 2014 at 11:59pm.
- 4.4 A \$20.00 late fee will apply to all late registrations.

5. Schedule of Events

5.1 Saturday, July 12, 2014

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 13, 2014

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. Coaching and Support Boat

- 9.1 Coaches with boats are requested to submit a Coach Registration Form, which can be found at http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/8620.
- 9.2 All coach and support boats must have a working VHF radio and monitor the RC channel.
- 9.3 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.
- 9.4 Support boats are not allowed on the race course until all boats have finished or unless released by the PRO.

10. Personal Floatation Devices & Personal Equipment

- 10.1.1 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.
- 10.1.2 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 Fastpins, and the competitors are required to bring their own trapeze harnesses.
- 10.2 Electronic fluxgate compasses and GPS devices of all varieties, styles and combinations are specifically banned.
- 10.3 The Protest Committee may protest and disqualify a competitor for breaking the rules of NOR 10 from all races on the day of the infringement.

11. Prohibited Substances

- 11.1 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).
- 11.2.1 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.

12. Conduct of Competitors

12.1 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).

13. Awards

13.1 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. Parking & Drop-off

14.1 Parking and drop-off instructions are available at http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/8620.

15. Housing

15.1 There is no housing available for the NBJR.

16. Launching Coach Boats and Spectator Boats

16.1 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 http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/8620 for more specific information on coach and spectator boat launching.

17. Contact Information

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