

2015 HINGHAM BAY JUNIOR REGATTA Hingham Yacht Club 211 Downer Avenue, Hingham, MA

1. RULES

- **1.1** The Hingham Bay Junior Regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The rules of the Club 420, Laser, Laser Radial and Optimist class will apply.
- **1.3** Certain rules may be changed and these changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.
- **1.4** By participating in this regatta, a competitor grants to the organizing authority and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any photographs, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the period of the competition without compensation.
- **2. ADVERTISING** Shall be in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code, and the relevant class rules.

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

3.1 AGE

Applicants for all classes must not turn **19** years old* in the year of the event. Optimist class age rules apply.

3.2 CLASS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

US SAILING recommends that competitors are members of their respective class associations (i.e., Optimist, Laser, Laser Radial, Club 420, etc.).

4. BOATS/MEASUREMENT

- 4.1 Boat class Club 420 with a crew of two including helmsman will be used. Boat class Optimist with a crew of one including helmsman will be used. Boat class Laser with a crew of one including helmsman will be used. Boat class Laser Radial with a crew of one including helmsman will be used.
- **4.2** Competitors are required to bring their own boats.
- **4.3** There are no boats available for charter.
- **4.4** Each competitor will be responsible for their boats being in compliance with the class rules.
- 5. **FEES -** The entry fee for all classes is **\$80** per competitor. The entry fee includes *lunches, and Thursday night dinner and entertainment.*

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

7/8 Late Registration/Check-In 5:00pm – 8:00pm

7/9 Race Day #1

Late Check-In8:00 amSkipper's Meeting9:00 amHarbor Start10:00 amWarning Signal10:45 am

Evening Entertainment

7/10 Race Day #2

Skipper's Meeting 9:00 am Harbor Start 10:00 am Warning Signal 10:45 am

Awards Presentation

- 7. ADVANCE REGISTRATION Competitors shall register in advance (online) by completing one Event Registration Form per boat via Regatta Network. Go to http://www.regattanetwork.com, click on Calendar, and locate the Hingham Bay Junior Regatta link to register.
 - > Registration deadline is **July 1**, **2015**.
 - Late fee of \$15 applies thereafter.
 - Registration closes at 8:00 PM on July 8, 2015, or when event participation reaches capacity, whichever comes first.
- **8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS -** The sailing instructions will be available at Check-In and on the web at: **www.hinghamyachtclub.com.**
- **9. PENALTIES FOR BREAKING RULES OF PART 2 -** Appendix P, Immediate Penalties for Breaking Rule 42, Propulsion, will apply.
- 10. SCORING The Low Point scoring system, RRS Appendix A, will apply, modified so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, with her worst score (other than a disqualification for violation of RRS 2 or RRS 42) discarded if more than five races are completed. Seven races are scheduled, of which one race shall be completed to constitute a series.
- 11. COACHES Coaches may be asked to register at the event.
- **12. SAFETY -** A US Coast Guard approved personal flotation device shall be worn, properly fastened, at all times while launching and when sailing. Failure to comply with this rule can result in disqualification as deemed appropriate by the protest committee. A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee vessel before leaving the course, or when that is impossible, shall **check in** immediately after arrival ashore at the **Pilot House**, Hingham Yacht Club.

13. DISCIPLINE

13.1 Per US SAILING Regulation 5.03 no contestant shall use, either on or off the water, during any US SAILING sanctioned 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.

- 13.2 All competitors 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.
- 13.3 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 event chair.
- **14. PRIZES -** Trophies will be awarded for the first five places in the Optimist and 420 fleets, and for the first three places in each other fleet. For the Club 420 fleets, trophies will be awarded to skipper and crew.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact *Dave Nelson (508-446-4053)* and check the Hingham Yacht Club web site at www.hinghamyachtclub.com for further information.

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ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

LIFE JACKETS

All support people on the water – race committee, mark and safety boat operators, parents, etc. – are strongly encouraged to wear PFDs.