

# 5<sup>th</sup> VIODA Championship

March 5-6, 2016

St. Thomas Yacht Club-Cowpet Bay, St. Thomas, VI

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## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 IODA Rules will apply. Classes will be determined by age as per the USODA Rules. Fleets will be Red, Blue, White and Green.

### 2 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

### 3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist class.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the on-line registration process.
- 3.3 The OA reserves the right to limit the number of entries.

### 4 FEES

Required fees are as follows:

VIODA Championship	Registration Fee:	\$50
	Late registration after February 19 <sup>th</sup> :	\$60

### 5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Schedule of events:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
March 5, 2016	Racing	1000 Mandatory Skippers Meeting 1 <sup>st</sup> warning signal at 1100
March 6, 2016	Racing	1 <sup>st</sup> warning signal at 1000

5.2 Number of races:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Races per day</u>
Optimist	Red, blue and white fleet	Up to 5
Optimist	Green fleet	Not limited

## 6 MEASUREMENTS

Each boat entered shall be an IOD 95.

## 7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available during registration on March 5<sup>th</sup> at St. Thomas Yacht Club. The Sailing Instructions will also be available on-line prior to the event.

## 8 VENUE

8.1 St. Thomas Yacht Club at Cowpet Bay and surrounding waters.

## 9 THE COURSES

For Fleet Racing:

The courses to be sailed will be as follows: Modified Trapezoid or Windward / Leeward. If conditions warrant, the courses will be modified to accommodate the appropriate wind conditions. Green fleet will receive their course at the skipper's meeting each morning.

## 10 PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 For Green Fleet sailors, rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

10.2 Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

## 11 SCORING

11.1 One completed race constitutes a series.

11.2 (a) When less than six races have been completed; a boat's series score will be the total of all of her race scores.

(b) When six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## 12 PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded to the top two in the Red, Blue and White classes and top three overall. Participation awards will be awarded to all green fleet sailors.

## 13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## 14 CHARTER BOATS

Complete Charter Boats are available at \$55 per day or \$110 for the event. Sailors must bring their own sail.

## 15 CONTACT INFORMATION

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