



## USA JUNIOR OLYMPIC SAILING FESTIVAL — Great Lakes September 16th – 18th, 2016 — Grosse Pointe Yacht Club



*JUNIOR OLYMPICS: to promote the enjoyment of sailing and development of skills to young sailors as well as provide an Olympic pathway for talented junior sailors.*



The organizing authority is the United States Sailing Association (US SAILING) with race management provided by Grosse Pointe Yacht Club (GPYC).

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### 1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the Notice of Race (except as any of these may be changed by these Sailing Instructions) and these Sailing Instructions.

The rules of the 420, 420C, Laser, Laser Radial, Optimist and Optimist Green classes will apply only respecting safety equipment, sails, rigging and hulls. Bailers and towlines are required for all boats regardless of class. Class membership is recommended by not required.

#### 2 ELIGIBILITY

All competitors shall be members of US SAILING. Competitors may join US SAILING online at [www.ussailing.org/membership](http://www.ussailing.org/membership) or at registration. Registration closes at 9:00am on Saturday, September 17, 2016.

All competitors in the 420, 420C, Laser and Laser Radial classes must have reached their 9th birthday but not their 19th birthday during the calendar year in which the regatta is held.

All competitors in the Optimist classes must have reached their 7<sup>th</sup> birthday but not their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday during the calendar year in which the regatta is held.

The scorer must have the name, age and birthday, boat class, division and correct sail number of each competitor before the conclusion of the first competitors' meeting on Saturday, September 17. Late entries or corrections cannot be scored.

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### 3 CLASSES, DIVISIONS & FLEETS

Classes will race in the following Divisions:

- Division 1 420, 420C
- Division 2 Laser, Laser Radial
- Division 3 Optimist Red Fleet (ages 13-15), Blue Fleet (ages 11-12) and White Fleet (ages 10 and under).
- Division 4 Optimist Green Fleet (ages 15 and under).

### 4 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board before 8:30 am on the day they take effect. The Official Notice Board will be located at Race Committee Headquarters in the Fo'c'sle on lower level of the GPYC clubhouse.

### 5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the main flagstaff at GPYC.

Flag AP displayed ashore with two sounds means: "Do not leave the harbor. The warning signal will be made not less than 40 minutes after flag AP is lowered unless at that time the race is postponed again or abandoned." This changes Race Signals, AP.

### 6 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2016

Registration	3 pm until 6 pm	Fo'c'sle
Practice	Starting 4 pm	Inner Harbor at Hoist
Dinner at GPYC	6:30 pm	East Lawn or Main Ballroom
Guest Speaker, Wally Cross	Following Dinner	East Lawn or Main Ballroom

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2016

Registration	7:30 am until 9 am	Fo'c'sle
Breakfast at GPYC	8 am until 9 am	Fo'c'sle
Competitors' Meeting	9 am	Fo'c'sle
Harbor Start	9:30 am	Inner Harbor at Hoist
First Warning	10 am	On Water
Lunch on the Water		
Amy Kehoe – All Sailor Event	4pm	Pool Deck

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2016

Breakfast at GPYC	8 am until 9 am	Fo'c'sle
Competitors' Meeting	9 am	Fo'c'sle
Harbor Start	9:30 am	Inner Harbor at Hoist
First Warning	10 noon	On Water
Lunch on the Water		
No start after 2 pm		
Hot Dogs & Ice Cream - Awards	~3 pm	Main Ballroom

**The competitors' meetings are MANDATORY for all competitors (skippers and crew) and coaches.**

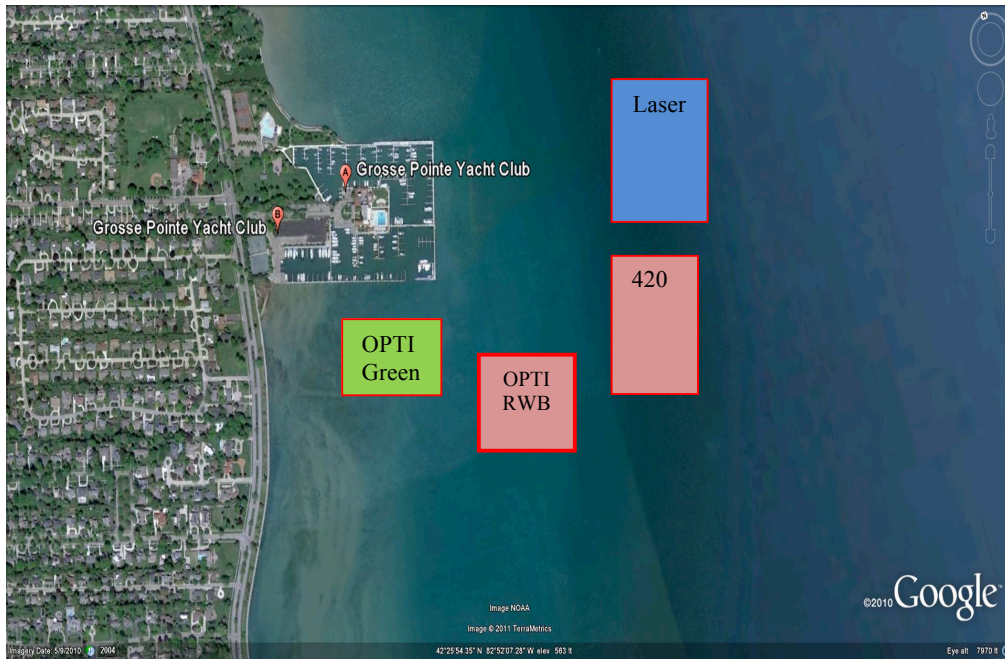
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**7 CHECK-IN, CHECK-OUT**

Sailors are encouraged to dry store their boats at GPYC for the entire weekend. Competitors shall check in and check out at the harbor entrance at all times leaving and entering by calling out their sail number and last name to the Race Committee on shore. Boats not staying overnight at GPYC shall check in and check out with the Race Committee on the water. A competitor who fails to check in either before or after racing is subject to protest by the Race Committee and disqualification for that day's races in the discretion of the Protest Committee.

**8 COURSE LOCATIONS**

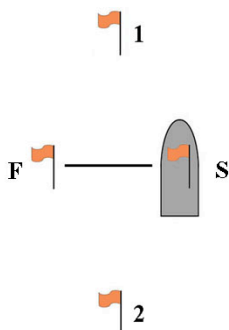
Course locations will be discussed at the competitors' meeting each morning.



**9 RACE COURSES**

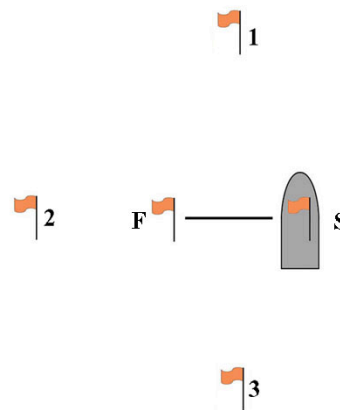
The courses to be sailed are as follows:

**Diagram 1**



Course 1 S-1-2-F  
Course 2 S-1-2-1-2-F

**Diagram 2**



Course 3 S-1-2-3-1-3-F

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**10 MARKS**

Marks 1, 2 and 3 will be orange “hippity-hops” (spheres). An orange “hippity-hop” (Limit Mark) may be deployed from the Race Committee signal boat. A boat shall not touch a Limit Mark or sail between the Limit Mark and the signal boat. A boat that has broken this sailing instruction may take a Two-Turns Penalty as described in rule 44.2.

**11 START/FINISH**

The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat at the starboard end and an inflatable orange pyramid at the port end.

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and the nearby inflatable orange pyramid. Boats may not cross the Start/Finish Line except when starting or finishing the race.

**12 STARTING SEQUENCES**

The Race Committee signal boat will display the course designation on a whiteboard before the warning signal for each race. In addition, the Race Committee may hail the course designation, but it is not required to do so.

Races for the 420, 420C, Laser, Laser Radial and Optimist Red/White/Blue classes will be started using rule 26 and class flags with the class logo of the class that is starting.

Races for the Optimist Green Fleet will be started using Appendix S (Sound-Signal Starting System).

**13 TIME LIMITS**

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 30 minutes after her starting signal, the race will be abandoned.

The time limit for a race shall be 60 minutes. If no boat finishes within the time limit, the race shall be abandoned. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

**14 PROTESTS**

A boat that intends to protest shall notify the Race Committee promptly after finishing that race in addition to fulfilling the requirements of rule 61.1(a).

Protest forms are available at the Protest Committee desk in the GPYC Tower Pub Room. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered there within 60 minutes after the protesting or requesting boat’s Race Committee signal boat docks. The protest time limits will be posted on the Official Notice Board in the Fo’c’sle.

Notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Tower Pub Room in the approximate order of receipt beginning at the time shown on the posted notice or as soon thereafter as feasible.

Notices of protests by the Race Committee or the Protest Committee will be posted on the Official Notice Board to inform boats protested under rule 61.1(b).

Breaches of sailing instructions 2, 7, 10, 15, 18, 19 and 20 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the Protest Committee so decides.

**15 PENALTY TURNS**

A boat that takes a One-Turn or Two-Turns Penalty in accordance with rule 44 shall report that fact to the Protest Committee in writing within the protest time limit.

A boat in the Optimist Green Fleet may take a One-Turn Penalty (not a Two-Turns Penalty) when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident when racing. This changes rule 44.

**16 SCORING**

The Regatta Network Scoring system will be used.

One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

**17 AWARDS**

Prizes will be awarded to the top three boats in each class. Participation awards and special awards may be presented at the discretion of the Race Committee. The awards presentations will be held on the East Lawn on Sunday after racing and after all sailboats are placed on trailers and the launch area has been cleaned up. Boys shall wear collared shirts and khaki shorts. Girls shall wear appropriate summer dress or collared shirt.

**18 SAFETY**

Competitors shall wear a USCG-approved Type III PFD properly secured while on the water. PFDs must have a whistle attached. Failure to comply with this instruction may lead to protest and disqualification.

**19 SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**

Boats retiring shall notify the Race Committee the Race Committee as soon as possible. Failure to comply with this instruction may lead to protest and disqualification.

All boats shall have proper class designation with legible numbers on the mainsail. Non-matching spinnaker numbers shall be reported to the Race Committee and posted on the Official Notice Board before 8:30 am on the day the spinnaker will be used.

Sail numbers and hulls can be changed only with the written permission of the Race Committee. A boat will be identified by the number on her mainsail.

**20 SUPPORT & SPECTATOR BOATS**

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall not make contact or communicate with competitors from the time of the preparatory signal until competitors have been released by the Chief Judge after the completion of all protest hearings. The penalty for failure to comply with this sailing instruction may be disqualification of all boats associated with any personnel who violate this rule if so determined by the Protest Committee.

Spectator boats shall be restricted to those areas designated by the Race Committee.