



**USA JUNIOR OLYMPIC SAILING FESTIVAL
NORTHEAST NEW ENGLAND
Centerboard Yacht Club
Portland Yacht Club
SailMaine
South Portland, Maine
July 10, 11, 12**

**National JO Sponsors: Gill, Sperry,
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Organizing Authority: Northeast Sailing Association

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2. For the purposes of the definition of *rule*, the class rules shall be the rules of the Laser, Club 420, Laser Radial, and Optimist classes.
- 1.3 The following rules will be changed: rule 40 and A2. These changes will also appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. Additional rules may also be changed in the Sailing Instructions.

2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

2.1 AGE

Applicants for all classes must not turn 19 years old in the year of the event. Optimist class age rules apply. Green Fleet is for very novice sailors ages 6-15. White Fleet is for sailors 10 and under, Blue Fleet is for sailors 11 or 12, Red Fleet is for sailors 13, 14, or 15.

2.2 US SAILING MEMBERSHIP

Membership in US Sailing is required for each competitor (helmsman and crew for doublehanded classes). Sailors can join online at www.ussailing.org/membership.

2.3 CLASS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

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

2.4 GREEN REGATTA

This regatta is a Sailors for the Sea "Clean Regatta." All competitors are encouraged to use non-single use water bottles and recycle all appropriate items. Competitors are reminded of rule 55 which states that competitors "shall not intentionally put trash in the water."

3. BOATS/MEASUREMENT

- 3.1 Boat classes ***Optimist Green, White, Blue, and Red*** with crew of **1** including helmsman, will be used.
- 3.2 Boat class ***Club 420 with trap and spinnaker*** with crew of **2** including helmsman, will be used.
- 3.3 Boat class ***Club 420 with main and jib only*** with crew of **2** including helmsman, will be used.
- 3.4 Boat class ***Laser*** with crew of **1** including helmsman, will be used.
- 3.5 Boat class ***Laser Radial*** with crew of **1** including helmsman, will be used.
- 3.6 A minimum number of five entries per class/ division is required to qualify for prizes.
- 3.7 Competitors are encouraged to bring their own boats.
- 3.8 All boats must have a floating bowline of appropriate length.
- 3.9 Each competitor will be responsible for their boats being in compliance with the class rules.

4. FEES

The entry fee for all classes is \$ **75.00** per competitor. The entry fee includes light breakfast and lunch on Race Days, Pizza dinner Tuesday evening, and an official USA Junior Olympic T-shirt.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Monday, July 10 1200-1800 Registration & check-in

Tuesday, July 11 0800-1000 Breakfast

1015	Skipper's Meeting
1200	First warning signal
1800	Pizza Dinner

Wednesday, July 12

0800-0900	Breakfast
1100	First Warning Signal
1430	Last Warning Signal
1630	Awards presentation

The Green Fleet schedule will be the same through the Skippers Meeting at which point a second, separate meeting for Green Fleet sailors may be conducted and the remainder of the schedule for that fleet will be announced.

- 6. **ADVANCE REGISTRATION** - Competitors shall register in advance by registering online at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/15038>. Entry deadline is **Friday, July 7 at 1730**. Late fee of \$ **30** applies thereafter.

7. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available at registration and on the web at: *[insert web address]*.
8. **SCORING** – As many races as possible are scheduled, of which **one** shall be completed to constitute a series. If **five** or more races are sailed, a boat's worst score shall be discarded. This changes rule A2.
9. **COACHES** - Coaches may be asked to register. Coaches who bring proof of US Sailing certification will be given appropriate access to participants and recognition. All coach / parent boats shall register with the Race Committee. Each coach / parent boat shall have a working VHF radio. The conduct of registered support boats and all other boats including spectator boats shall be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the Sailing Instructions.
10. **SAFETY** - A US Coast Guard approved personal flotation device shall be worn, properly fastened, at all times while launching and when sailing, except briefly when adding or removing clothing. Each competitor is urged to have a whistle attached to their PFD. Failure to comply with this rule may result in disqualification. A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee vessel before leaving the course, or when that is impossible, **at the registration table in the tent** immediately after arrival ashore. All competitors are **strongly encouraged** to wear a form of head protection while sailing.

An adult (parent, guardian or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of each sailor. It is the responsibility solely of this adult to decide if the sailor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. The adults supervising the competitors are ultimately responsible for the risks.

Parents not personally attending the event must ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their sailor and each competitor shall indicate in writing the parent or adult representative that shall be responsible for the competitor throughout the event.

The designated adult will accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the Regatta.

11. **MEDIA RIGHTS** - By participating in this regatta, a competitor (or parent/guardian if under age 18) grants to the OA, US Sailing and their 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.

12. DISCIPLINE

- 12.1** Per US Sailing Regulation 10.03 no participant or competitor shall use or possess, either on or off the water: 1) marijuana or any other substance if possession is illegal under state or federal law; or 2) any alcoholic beverages. This regulation is in effect from date and time of arrival through date and time of departure from the venue.
- 12.2** 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 good manners, a breach of good sportsmanship, unethical behavior or conduct that may bring 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.
- 12.3** 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.

13. PRIZES

Junior Olympic medals will be awarded to competitors placing first through third in all divisions. Green Fleet medals will be awarded to all Green Fleet participants.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

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and check the website at nesailing.org/2017JO for further information.

Venue: The event will be sailed from Bug Light Park in South Portland, Maine. No camping is allowed at the park.

Host Clubs:

Centerboard Yacht Club
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South Portland, ME 04106
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Portland Yacht Club
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Falmouth, ME 04105
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Disclaimer of Liability

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

LIFE JACKETS

Each competitor is urged to have a whistle attached to his or her life jacket.

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

The social schedule, housing and transportation information are not part of an official Notice of Race but can be very important to competitors, coaches and parents. Include a schedule of all non-racing and social activities.