#### **Notice of Race**

## 2017 Junior Olympic Sailing Festival December 9-10, 2017

US SAILING Center • Martin County 1955 NE Indian River Drive, Jensen Beach, FL

## 1. Organizing Authority & Host

1.1 US SAILING Center of Martin County (USSCMC)

#### 2. Rules

- 2.1 This regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 2.2 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.

## 3. Eligibility & Entry

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist, Club 420, Laser, Laser Radial, Laser 4.7, RS Feva and O'pen Bic classes.
  - 3.1.1 O'pen Bic, Lasers and RS Feva classes require a minimum of 10 paid entries prior to the end of the day November 18, 2017. If any Class is dropped from the competition, then full refunds will be given to those who paid the entry fee
- 3.2 Eligible crews may be entered by completing an entry form, registering with the organizing authority and paying the entry fee.
- 3.3 Membership in US SAILING is required for each competitor (helmsman and crew for double-handed classes). Your membership number will be required to complete your online registration. Sailors can join at a discounted rate through the USSCMC / US SAILING Member Value Partner program online at <a href="https://www1.ussailing.org/membership/MPP/Default.aspx?ycid=207442S">https://www1.ussailing.org/membership/MPP/Default.aspx?ycid=207442S</a>
- Each competitor shall indicate in writing at Check-In the parent or adult representative that will be responsible for the competitor throughout the event.

## 4. Registration & Fees

- 4.1 Registration and entry fees must be received at USSCMC no later than Friday 1 December 2017 to avoid late fee. The entry fee for singlehanded boats is \$90/boat; double-handed boats are \$130/boat. Early registration for this event is highly recommended. Fees include t-shirts, lunch on the water, Raffle and a cook-out of hamburgers and hot dogs after sailing on Saturday. **Registration fees are non-refundable.**
- 4.2 All registrations received from 2-5 December 2017 will be charged an additional \$25 late fee. Registration will be closed at 2300 on 5 December 2017.
- 4.3 Late registration may cause a competitor to not receive a dolly parking spot for rigging near the rest of their team. The USSCMC will group dolly & sailboat parking spots according to coaches and or clubs. Spots will be assigned to all registrants by 4 December; anyone registering after this date will most likely not be assigned a spot near their coach or club. Parking assignments will be available one day prior to the event at www.usscmc.org on the "Upcoming Regattas" webpage.
- 4.4 An event T-shirt is included with each registration. Shirt sizes and quantities will not be guaranteed with any registration after 19 November.

- 4.5 A lodging questionnaire will be a required document at check-in. This form will be made available online at <a href="https://www.usscmc.org">www.usscmc.org</a> on the "Upcoming Regattas" webpage and at check-in.
- 4.6 Entry forms may be submitted online through <u>Regatta Network</u> and will be linked through the Upcoming Regattas page at www.usscmc.org.
- 4.7 Early Check-in will be held on Friday 8 December from 1600-1800. On site Check-in will also be held on Saturday 9 December 2017 from 0800-1000 hrs.

# 5. Format of the Regatta

- 5.1 The Red, White and Blue Fleet will be divided into divisions depending on the number of entries. There will also be a Green Fleet.
- 5.2 The Red, White and Blue Fleet will race in 'sets' of races. A 'set' is a group of scored races in which all divisions compete.
- 5.3 Division assignments are for the entire regatta and will be determined by the Race Committee.

#### 6. Schedule of Events

5.1	Friday 8 December	1600-1800	Early Check-in
	Saturday 9 December	0800	Continental Breakfast
		0800-1000	Check-in
		1000	Competitors' Meeting (except Green Fleet)
		1030	Green Fleet Competitor's Meeting
		1130	First Warning Signal - All Fleets
		1700	"Hit the Beach" Cook-out
	Sunday 10 December	0800	Continental Breakfast
	·	0900	Green Fleet Competitor's Meeting
		0930	First Warning Signal (except Green Fleet)
		1000	First Warning – Green Fleet
		1430	No Warning Signal After 2:30pm
			Awards Ceremony After Racing

## 7. Sailing Instructions

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available at check-in and posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 7.2 There will be separate Sailing Instructions for Green Fleet.

## 8. Courses

8.1 Courses will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.

## 9. Scoring

- 9.1 One 'set' of races is required to be completed to constitute a regatta in the Red, White and Blue Fleet. One completed race shall constitute the regatta for all other fleets.
- 9.2 The process for removing a worst score will be specified in the SI's.

#### 10. Prizes

10.1 Awards will be given to the top five finishers in the R/W/B Optimist Divisions; all Green Fleet competitors will receive participation awards. Awards will be given for the top three finishers in each class of C420, Laser, Laser Radial, Laser 4.7, RS Feva and O'pen Bic.

#### 11. Safety

11.1 All competitors shall wear U.S. Coast Guard approved life jackets, or a life jacket approved by the country of their citizenship or residence, at all times while on the water. Failure to do so is protestable only by the Race Committee and may result in disqualification.

# 12. Coach and Support Boats

- 12.1 All coach and support boats shall register and prominently fly a designated flag from a staff at all times while on the water.
- 12.2 Flags will be available at the south end of the check-in room. A security deposit will be required and returned to you at the end of the event with the return of your flag.

## 13. Disclaimer of Liability

13.1 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

14.1 Please use this <u>link</u> to see charter options for coach boats, optis, 420s, Lasers, RS Fevas and O'pen Bics.

#### 15. Local Accommodations

15.1 Please consider supporting those who support the USSCMC. The following hotels support our Regatta Season and are offering special Regatta Rates:

Holiday Inn - Port St. Lucie 772-337-2200 or 800-459-5044 Courtyard Marriott Oceanside Hutchinson Island 772-229-1000 or 877-905-4501 Best Western – Port St. Lucie 772-878-7600 or 800-528-1234

## 16. Contact Information

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