



USA JUNIOR OLYMPIC SAILING FESTIVAL
Midwest
June 22 – 24, 2018

**Okoboji Sailing Center (OYCSS), Wahpeton,
Iowa**

National JO Sponsors:
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Organizing Authority (OA) is the Okoboji Yacht Club (OYC)

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 based on each respective boat division: the Inland Lakes Yacht Association, the International Laser Class Association, and the International Optimist Dinghy Association.
- 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 Laser class must not turn 21 years of age by July 25, 2018. Optimist class and X Boat class age rules apply.

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, ILYA, 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 Optimists with a crew of one (1) including helmsman will be used.
- 3.2 X Class with crew of two (2) including helmsman and trimmer, will be used.
- 3.3 Lasers and Laser Radials with a crew of one (1) including helmsman will be used.

3.4 This is a BYOB event and competitors are strongly encouraged to bring their own boats. A limited number of charters may be available upon request and must be scheduled by 5:00 PM CDT on June 11, 2018.

3.5 All boats must have a floating bowline of appropriate length for each class or no shorter than 25', whichever is greater.

3.6 Each competitor will be responsible for their boats being in compliance with the class rules.

4. REGISTRATION/FEEES

4.1 Registration and entry fees must be received by OYC no later than Monday, June 11, 2018 to avoid late fee at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/16443>. . The entry fee for singlehanded boats are \$80/boat and double-handed boats are \$135/boat. Early registration for this event is highly recommended. Fees include the Regatta Social, discount tickets and a t-shirt for each competitor, lunch on the water, BBQ dinner for competitors Saturday, and a taco bar lunch after sailing on Sunday. **Registration fees are non-refundable.**

4.2 All registrations received from June 18 – 22, 2018 will be charged an additional \$25 late fee. Registration will be close on June 22, 2018 at 5:30 PM (CDT).

4.3 Late registration may cause a competitor to not receive a dolly parking spot for rigging near the rest of their team. The OYC will group dolly & sailboat parking spots according to coaches and or clubs. Spots will be assigned to all registrants by June 18, 2018; 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 <https://www.2018juniorolympicsokoboji.com/arrival-checklist--map.html>

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (CDT)

Friday, June 22, 2018

- 10:00 AM – 5:30 PM Check-in, Registration and Launch
- 2:15 PM Competitors meeting for Adventure Race
- 3:00 PM Optimist Adventure Race
- 3:15 PM Clinic
- 5:30 PM Opening Ceremonies
- 6:00 PM Regatta Social with the OYC Membership
- 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM Kids Night Out Arnolds Park Amusement Park

Saturday June 23, 2018

- 7:30 AM – 8:15 AM Late Check-in and Launch
- 7:30 AM – 8:30 AM Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 AM Competitors Meeting
- 10:00 AM First Warning
- TBD Lunch on the Water
- 6:30 PM Dinner at Okoboji Sailing Center

Sunday, June 24, 2018

- 7:30 AM – 9:00 AM Continental Breakfast
- 10:00 AM First Warning
- 1:00 PM No race to start after
- TBD Lunch after morning races
- 4:00 PM Awards and Closing Ceremonies

The Green Fleet schedule will be the same through the Competitors Meeting on Saturday 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. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available at registration and on the web at:

http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/16443#_docs

7. SCORING

A maximum of 12 races are scheduled, of which 2 shall be completed to constitute a series. If 6 or more races are sailed, a boat's worst score shall be discarded. This changes rule A2.

8. 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.

9. 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, notify Regatta Staff on-shore at the Official Regatta Office immediately after arrival ashore.

An adult (parent, guardian or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of each sailor under the age of 18. 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.

For adult competitors it is their responsibility solely to decide if they should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event and will accept full responsibility for all actions during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the Regatta.

10. 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.

11. DISCIPLINE

- 11.1 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.
- 11.2 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.
- 11.3 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.

12. 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.

Participants attending from the yacht clubs of Clear Lake and Okoboji will be awarded separate perpetual fleet trophies for the Optimist and X Boat classes. Individual competitors placing first through third in each of these classes will receive awards.

Additional awards will be given for greatest distance traveled and youngest competitor sailing.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

More information regarding the venue and accommodations please visit the website at: <https://www.2018juniorolympicsokoboji.com/>.

Venue:

- Competitor boats will be dry sailed for the Laser and Optimist classes. X boat class may dry sail or be moored in Little Millers Bay. Competitors mooring their boats will be required to provide all required temporary landing and mooring equipment. Shuttle services will be provided by OYC and will be available 30 minutes prior to First Warning.
- Official Coach Boats may be allowed to overnight at the OYCSS docks if weather forecasts permit. Further information will be given at the end of each day's events regarding the necessity for visiting coach boats to be off the OYCSS docks. Information will be posted at the Official Notice Board. Haul-out facilities are provided via a launch ramp at the OYCSS.
- Camping is allowed if reserved in advanced during Early Registration.
- Pets must be on a leash and supervised by Owner at all times while on the OYCSS premises. Owner takes full responsibilities for pet actions, care, and must pick-up after pets.
- Spectator boat space is limited. If you are interested in accessing a ride you may sign-up at www.2018juniorolympicsokoboji.com/spectator-boat-sign-up.html.
- Facility Map is available at www.2018juniorolympicsokoboji.com/arrival-checklist-map.html

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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, host sailing school, 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.