



**USA JUNIOR OLYMPIC SAILING FESTIVAL  
Rock, Paper, Scissors Regatta & Tournament  
August 24-25**

**Birmingham Sailing Club, Birmingham, AL**

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**Organizing Authority: Birmingham Sailing Club**

## **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** The following rule will be changed: rule 40. 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 CLASSES**

**2.1.1** The regatta is open to all boats of the following classes:  
International Optimist Dinghy: Red, Blue, White, and Green  
(Coaching will be provided for Green Fleet)  
Laser Class-Full, Radial, 4.7  
Collegiate 420 (spin and no spin)-scored separately  
Open Bic

**2.1.2** Eligible boats may enter by completing the registration form on Regatta Network and paying the required fee.

#### **2.2 AGE**

Applicants for all classes must be rising high school seniors or younger at the start of the regatta. Optimist class age rules apply.

#### **2.3 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](http://www.ussailing.org/membership).

## **2.4 CLASS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP**

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

## **2.5 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 International Optimist Dinghy, Laser, and Open Bic with crew of one including helmsman will be used.

Boat class Collegiate 420 (no spin and spin) with crew of two including helmsman will be used.

**3.2** Competitors are encouraged to bring their own boats. A limited number of boats may be available to borrow.

**3.3** All boats must have a floating bowline of appropriate length.

**3.4** Each competitor will be responsible for their boat being in compliance with the class rules.

## **4. FEES**

\$65.00-single handed includes racing fee and meals for skipper.

\$90.00-double handed includes racing fee and meals for skipper and crew.

Late fee of \$10.00 is applied after August 10, 2019.

Sailors registering before August 10, 2019 will also receive an official USA Junior Olympic t-shirt and goodie bag filled with lots of great stuff. Sailors registering after August 5th will only receive t-shirt and goodie bag if extras are available.

Additional meals for parents and other family members are available. Please pre-order and purchase all additional meals when you register online for the event.

## **5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (Subject to Change by Regatta Committee)**

**Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am-10:30am Check-in

11:00am Skipper's Meeting and lunch on shore

12:00pm First Warning

4:00-5:30pm Snacks, Drinks, and Sliding Fun

6:00pm Dinner

7:00pm Rock, Paper, Scissors Tournament

**Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>**

8:00am Breakfast

9:30am First warning, racing continues. No races will be started after 12:00pm

1:00pm Lunch and awards

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 [https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet\\_registration\\_form.php?regatta\\_id=19300](https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=19300) . Entry deadline is **August 10, 2019**. Late fee of \$10.00 applies thereafter.
7. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available at registration.
8. **SCORING** – As many races as possible will be sailed. At least one race must be completed to constitute a series. If seven or more races are sailed, a boat's worst score shall be discarded.
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 lifejacket only that depends 100% on foam for flotation that is the appropriate size for the sailor 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 a race committee official immediately after arrival ashore.

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 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 and unique 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**

Contact regatta chair Fred Smith at [soldbyfred@gmail.com](mailto:soldbyfred@gmail.com) or 205-368-2280 with questions.

## **ACCOMODATIONS**

Camping is encouraged at the club. **Please leave your pet at home.** Hot showers are available.

**AREA MOTELS IN PELL CITY (Approx. 10-15 MILES FROM BSC)**

Comfort Suites 205-338-5570  
Hampton Inn 205-814-3000  
Holiday Inn Express 205-884-0047

**Host Club:**

Birmingham Sailing Club  
147 Merrill Road  
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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.*