

FLORIDA EAST COAST YOUTH REGATTA SERIES

SPRING 2020

NOTICE OF RACE

1. HOST CLUBS & DATES

- **Regatta #1** PBSC (Palm Beach) Sunday, February 16, 2020
- **Regatta #2** YSF (Vero Beach) Sunday, April 5, 2020
- **Regatta #3** USSCMC (Jensen Beach) Sunday, April 19, 2020
- **Regatta #4** MYC (Melbourne) Sunday, May 3, 2020

*For the purpose of scoring this series, there will be no reschedules if a regatta is cancelled; however, Host Clubs may of course choose to reschedule their event, to be scored independently from this series.

2. ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY, ENTRY FEE & AWARDS

2.1 The Series is open to junior sailors age 8 – 18. Adults may participate in the O’Pen Bic and 420 fleets but will not be eligible to receive series trophies.

2.2 Optis, High School 420s, and O’Pen Skiffs may register to race with one design scoring in their class.

2.3 Competitors must register independently for each of the regattas. Contact each club for registration details.

2.4 Registration in one regatta in the series will be deemed registration of the competitor for the series. If a competitor registers in different classes or fleets at different regattas, they will be registered for the series in all classes / fleets in which they raced during the series. They will be scored as DNC for the classes / fleets in which they did not register for the individual regatta.

2.5 Opti Competitors must elect whether to be scored in gold or silver fleets. To qualify for the total series scoring a competitor must stay in the same fleet for the entire series.

2.6 A \$20 registration fee will be required for Regatta #3 at the USSCMC. Other venues will set their own entry fees.

2.7 Trophies will be awarded to the top places in Opti gold fleet and Opti silver fleet for the Florida East Coast Youth Series. The Florida East Coast Champion Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the series champion registered in the Opti gold fleet, the O’Pen Skiff fleet and the 420 fleet. Awards for other classes will be the discretion of the OA for each individual regatta.

3. CLASS MEMBERSHIP

3.1 Competitors are not required to be members of the USODA or Club 420 Association or O’Pen Skiff; however, all boats must comply with their class rules.

4. RULES

4.1 Each regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2017-2020, the prescriptions of US SAILING, the Florida East Coast Youth Series Standing Rules as published on the USSCMC website; the USODA Class Rules; this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions issued by each club.

5. SCORING

5.1 Florida East Coast Youth Series scoring shall be based on a Low Point Scoring System, with each skipper, and any crew, being assigned the score independently. We will use the sailor's finishing place for each regatta as their score for each regatta in the series. Regatta scores will be added together to determine the series score. For any regattas in which a competitor does not register for the regatta, the competitor will receive a score of the total number of number of boats registered in the regatta plus 1. For example, in a regatta with 21 boats registered, the score for anyone who does not register and compete in the regatta will be 22.

The highest regatta score will be excluded from the series results. The lowest scoring sailor is the winner of the series. In the event of a tie, the sailor with the most first place regatta scores shall be the series winner. In the event there is still a tie, the sailor with the lowest score in the last regatta of the series shall be the winner. Ties that occur in individual regattas shall be decided by the rules of the individual regatta and will not influence series scores.

This scoring system should give a sailor the chance to win the series even if the sailor is unable to attend one of the regattas in the series. It is the goal of the series to encourage participation among all Florida East Coast Youth sailors, even those who may not be able to attend all regattas in the series.

6. SAFETY AND ADULT RESPONSIBILITY

6.1 In addition to the requirements of RRS 4, an adult (parent, guardian or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of their sailor. It is the responsibility 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 and shall attend all Competitors' Meetings on the upper deck.

6.2 Parents not personally attending any part of the event shall ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their sailor.

6.3 Each competitor shall indicate in writing at Check-In the parent or adult representative that will be responsible for the competitor throughout the event.

6.4 The designated adult shall 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.

7. SCHEDULE

The schedules will be according to the individual NORs for those regattas. The schedule for Series Regatta #3 at the USSCMC will be as follows:

1200 Skippers Meeting, Preparatory Signal for the First Race immediately following

1600 No starts after 1600

Sailors should eat lunch prior to racing as there will be no lunch breaks.

8. MORE INFORMATION

8.1. For more information, please see the series website at www.FloridaEastCoastSeries.com or contact each host club, or Series Chair Julie Zahniser, via email at: juliezahniser@gmail.com.

8.2. Host clubs can be contacted at:

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| USSCMC (JENSEN BEACH) | Alan Jenkinson: alan@usscmc.org |
| PALM BEACH SAILING CLUB | Ethan Lounsberry: youthsailing@pbsail.org |
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