

Beverly Yacht Club Invitational Junior Regatta

August 17 - 18, 2020

Beverly Yacht Club

Marion, Massachusetts

NOTICE OF RACE



1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 - 2020*.
- 1.2 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) listed below will be changed as follows:
 - a. Rule 40 is changed so that "A US Coast Guard approved (Personal Floatation Device (PFD) 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."
 - b. Rule 61.1 (a) is changed so that "A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the Race Committee (RC) finish boat of her intention as soon as possible after finishing, without consultation with instructors, coaches or support persons, including (if possible) the boat identification number of the boat(s) being protested."
 - c. The sailing instructions will change several rules to allow for hearings to be conducted on the water in an expedited manner.
 - d. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Opti Skippers shall be 15 or younger as of December 31, 2020. 420 Skippers and crew shall be 18 or younger as of December 31, 2020
- 2.2 Skippers shall be members of a SMSA member organization and shall be invited by the Organizing Authority.
- 2.3 The regatta is open to boats of the Optimist Dinghy and Club 420 classes. Competitors who are first year Opti sailors may register for the Opti Green class. The organizing authority may require a minimum of six boats to constitute a class.
- 2.4 Eligible boats may register in advance on-line at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/>. The entry fee is \$45 for Opti's and \$90 for 420's. Registration requires payment of the entry fee by Visa or MasterCard. Advance registration ends at 2400h on Monday, August 10th. Facsimile registrations will not be accepted.
- 2.5 Late entries will be accepted through 2400h August 13, 2020 with a \$15 late fee.
- 2.6 The race is limited to 40 boats in each Optimist Dinghy class and 30 boats in the Club 420 class.

- 2.7 Entry fees are non-refundable, unless the class does not have sufficient entries to participate. See NOR 2.3
- 2.8 Green Regatta: All competitors, parents and coaches will refrain from using single use plastic bottles including, but not limited to water or sports drink bottles. Bring reusable bottles with you. Water filling stations will be provided afloat. In addition, recycle all appropriate items. Competitors are reminded of rule 55 which states that competitors "shall not intentionally put trash in the water."

3 SCHEDULE

- 3.1 August 10, 2020 2400 Deadline for payment without late fee
- August 13, 2020 2400 Deadline for registration with late fee
- August 16, 2020 1800 Virtual Competitor's and Instructor's skipper's meeting. Link via email. (Questions can be submitted by email to amitchell@beverlyyachtclub.org by 1700 on Aug 16)
- August 17, 2020 1000 - 1045 Club 420 boats and crews arrive and check in
1045 Instructor's Meeting VHF CH 72
Lunch on the water (bring your own)
- August 18, 2020 1000 - 1045 Opti Green and Opti Champ's arrive and check in
1045 Instructor's Meeting VHF CH 72
Lunch on the water (bring your own)
- August 19, 2020 1700 Awards via Zoom
- 3.2 On the water Competitor Check-In and on the water Instructors Meeting via VHF #72 may be postponed or time windows may be extended. Postponements or extensions will be announced via text message to registered Instructors and participating Clubs' Sailing Directors.
- 3.3 The first warning signal may be postponed. Postponement will be announced via VHF CH 72(Champ and 420) and VHF CH 74 (Green), AP flag on RC, and via text message to registered Instructors and participating Clubs' Sailing Directors.
- 3.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1100.
- 3.5 No warning signal will be made after 1500 each day.

4 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on August 13 on the BYC Junior Regatta page on Regatta Networks.

5 VENUE

Attachment A shows the location of the regatta harbor and the location of the racing areas.

6 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be described in the sailing instructions.

7 SCORING

- 7.1 As many races as possible are scheduled. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 7.2 When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

8 SAFETY

- 8.1 Any program entering three or more boats shall supply a support vessel equipped with a working VHF radio, an anchor and a first aid kit. An instructor, coach and/or other support personnel shall drive the support vessel and shall register with the organizing authority at registration to receive safety patrol assignments. Any program with eight or more boats should bring a second support vessel.
- 8.2 Spectator and support vessels shall stay well clear of the race course area while boats are racing and shall monitor the VHF radio for updates and directives coming from the race committee.
- 8.3 Instructors and support vessels shall register with the OA and check-in their sailors on the water by towing to windward through the Safety Gate between two anchored BYC Safety Boats (flying code flag H) between 1000 and 1045 on the day of the event.
- 8.4 If a program is not sending a support vessel (e.g., a program is sending fewer than three boats), arrangements shall be made with another program to allow the instructor supervising those sailors to go out on the water. In no circumstances will competitors be allowed to sail without a designated instructor on the race course. Opti Green competitors must have an associated coach boat and coach in attendance on the race course.
- 8.5 A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee vessel before leaving the course.
- 8.6 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.

9 PRIZES

- 9.1 Prizes will be awarded to each member of the crews in the 420 and Opti Champ fleets placing first with 6 or more boats registered, second with 8 or more boats registered, third with 10 or more boats registered and up to fifth with 14 or more boats registered
- 9.2 Prizes will be awarded via a zoom video on Wednesday, August 19 at 1700.

10 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

11 FURTHER INFORMATION

This Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, results and other information will be available on the website of the BYC Junior Regatta on Regatta Network.

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ATTACHMENT A

Chart with race areas

2020 RACE CHART

BEVERLY YACHT CLUB, MARION, MA

