

NOTICE OF RACE

TEXAS SAILING ASSOCIATION YOUTH CIRCUIT REGATTA

THE ROCKIN' ROCKPORT REGATTA

Rockport_Yacht Club, 722 Navigation Circle, Rockport, Texas

June 19-20, 2021

1. RULES:

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 "The Texas Youth Racing Circuit Conditions" apply and are available on the web site at <http://www.tx sail.org/> . A copy will also be available at the regatta site.
- 1.3 The rules for all classes are altered so that membership in a class organization is not required.
- 1.4 Racing Rules 61.1(a), Protest Requirements and Appendix A2, Scoring Systems are modified for this series. Racing Rule 49.1 is changed to allow the use of hiking pants.
- 1.5 All boats shall have sail numbers which match the registration form. Sail numbers meeting class standards are required.
- 1.6 The Organizing Authority is the Rockport Yacht Club.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist, Laser (Standard, Radial and 4.7) and Double-Handed (420 Club, 420 Collegiate, I-420, FJ or other double handed boat) classes. All classes are "bring your own boat". A minimum of three boats is required to form a class. All boats shall have identifiable sail numbers. Sail numbers meeting class standards are encouraged.
- 2.2 The regatta is open to all junior sailors who are less than twenty years old and who do not turn twenty years of age during this calendar year.
- 2.3 Optimists are sailed in four fleets:
 - 2.3.1 Green Fleet: Open to all novice sailors under age 15 and through 12/31 of the calendar year in which they turn age 15
 - 2.3.2 White Fleet: Age 10 and under
 - 2.3.3 Blue Fleet: Age 11 – 12
 - 2.3.4 Red Fleet: Age 13 – 15
- 2.4 For Optimist White, Blue and Red fleets, skipper's age on the first day of the regatta determines his or her fleet. Skippers move fleets on their 11th and 13th birthdays. Those turning 15 may continue in Red fleet through 12/31 of that year.

3. ENTRY FEE:

The entry fee is \$65 for each sailor, whether in single or double-handed boats. Registrations received later than Friday at midnight one (1) week prior (June 12, 2021) to the regatta may forfeit

the regatta gift (subject to availability). The entry fee includes one regatta gift (for those pre-registered) and the following meals for each sailor: breakfast and lunch on Saturday; and breakfast and lunch on Sunday. Meal tickets for the weekend will be available on-site for non-competitors for a charge of \$15; \$10 for children 12 or under. A welcome social for sailors and their families will be provided by the yacht club on Friday evening.

4. REGISTRATION AND CHECK IN:

- 4.1 Pre-Registration is encouraged and may be completed online at <http://www.tx sail.org/>
- 4.2 All sailors are required to check in on-site, even if the sailor pre-registered. Registration and check-in at the regatta will be conducted at the registration table on Saturday, June 19, 2021, between 8:00 a.m. and 9:15 a.m. at the Rockport Yacht Club Clubhouse.
- 4.3 Execution of a **Liability Release Agreement** as set forth in the Registration Form shall be required. Parents are urged to provide a signed **Medical Consent Form** to enable other adults to obtain emergency medical services in the event of the parents' unavailability during the regatta.

5. SCHEDULE:

- 5.1 Subject to the decisions of the Race Committee, six or more races are scheduled. One or more races will constitute a regatta. If five or more races are completed, there will be one throw out race for scoring purposes. If ten or more races are completed there will be one additional throw out – two total – for scoring purposes. This modifies RRS Appendix A.

- 5.2 The schedule for the regatta is:

Friday, June 18, 2021

1700-2100	The Club will be open to allow unloading of boats into secure area. (welcome social for sailors and their families)
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Saturday, June 19, 2021

0800-0930	Breakfast
0800-0915	Registration and check-in at the Rockport Yacht Club Clubhouse
0930	Skipper's Meeting at the Rockport Yacht Club Clubhouse. (Attendance Mandatory)
1100	Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow
Between Races	Lunch will be provided to sailors during breakfast to take with them for on the water or at the Rockport Yacht Club Clubhouse (for non-participants)

Sunday, June 20, 2021

0730-0900	Breakfast
1000	Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow
1400	No first warning signal after this time
TBD	The lunch and awards ceremony will be served at the Rockport Yacht Club Clubhouse one hour after the last race of the day

- 5.3 Attendance at the Skippers' Meeting held at 0930 on Saturday of the regatta at the Rockport Yacht Club Clubhouse is mandatory.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

Sailing Instructions will be provided prior to the Skipper's Meeting and posted on the Notice Board located at the main balcony, Rockport Yacht Club, 722 Navigation Circle, Rockport, Texas. If

time allows, they may also be posted on the TSA Website (<http://www.txsail.org/>) or the Rockport Yacht Club website (www.rockportyachtclub.org).

7. VENUE:

Races will be conducted on the waters of Rockport Harbor and Aransas Bay south of Allegro Island, west and north of the Intracoastal Waterway.

8. COURSES:

All fleets will typically sail windward/leeward, triangle, or Olympic-style courses.

9. SAFETY:

A U.S. Coast Guard approved personal buoyancy device will be worn by all competitors while on the water. Wet or Dry suits are not considered adequate buoyancy devices for this purpose. All buoyancy devices shall be worn on the outside of all clothing.

10. DISCIPLINE:

10.1 Per US SAILING Regulation 5.03 no contestant shall use, either on or off the water, during any Texas Sailing Association Junior event: marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in chapter 51 of the U.S.: IRC Code and intended for beverage use). This regulation is in effect from date and time of arrival through date and time of departure from the locale. The penalty shall be that the contestant after a proper hearing, be immediately removed from the regatta venue and, where practical, sent home.

10.2 All competitors, coaches and parents 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 a rule, good manners, or sportsmanship, or may have brought 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.

10.3 Hearings related to 10.1 and 10.2 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 Chairman of the Texas Sailing Association Junior Committee or his or her designee in the event he or she is not present. The regatta chair shall serve ex officio as a nonvoting member of the panel and will have an open right to express his or her views during the course of the hearing process.

11. TROPHY PRESENTATION:

Trophy presentations will be held on Sunday afternoon approximately one hour after the last race or when protest hearing(s) are completed.

11.1 Laser Standard fleet: 1-3

11.2 Laser Radial fleet: 1-3

11.3 Laser 4.7 fleet: 1-3

11.4 420/Double Handed fleet: 1-3

- 11.5 Red fleet:** 1-3
- 11.6 White fleet:** 1-3
- 11.7 Blue fleet:** 1-3
- 11.8 Opti overall:** 1st place
- 11.9 Green fleet:** Participation medallions
- 11.10 Outstanding sailor**

12. LODGING: The Rockport-Fulton Chamber of Commerce website (www.rockport-fulton.org) has a list of local hotels and RV facilities.

13. DIRECTIONS TO THE CLUB: The Rockport Yacht Club clubhouse is located at 722 Navigation Circle in Rockport. There will be a gated fenced area into which trailers with boats may be parked/stored. No participant vehicles may be left within the fenced area; adequate parking exists outside of this area.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION:

For further information please contact

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