

NOTICE OF RACE

TEXAS SAILING ASSOCIATION YOUTH CIRCUIT REGATTA

THE KESSEL RUN REGATTA

Viridian Sailing Center, 1200 Viridian Park Lane Dock, Arlington, Texas 76005

October 23-24, 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" regarding Opti sailing apply and are available on the web site at <http://www.txsail.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 encouraged.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist class. *A limited number of boats will be available for charter.* 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 eligible sailors based on age requirements. Optimists are sailed in four fleets:
 - 2.2.1 Green Fleet: Open to all novice sailors under age 15 and through 12/31 of the calendar year in which they turn age 15
 - 2.2.2 White Fleet: Age 10 and under
 - 2.2.3 Blue Fleet: Age 11 – 12
 - 2.2.4 Red Fleet: Age 13 – 15
- 2.3 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. A late fee of \$25 will be assessed for registrations after Friday at midnight one (1) week prior to the Saturday of the regatta. The entry fee includes breakfast and lunch for Saturday and Sunday, plus a regatta gift. Registrations received later than Friday at midnight (1) week prior (October 15, 2021) to the regatta may forfeit the regatta gift. Meal tickets will be available for non-competitors for an extra charge of \$25. Make all registration checks payable to Viridian Sailing Center. A limited number of boats are available to charter for \$100. Boat charter is based on availability of boats.

4. REGISTRATION AND CHECK IN:

- 4.1 Pre-Registration is encouraged and may be completed online at <https://www.txsail.org/>
- 4.2 Registration for the regatta will end at 12 noon on Wednesday, October 20th, before the regatta.
- 4.3 All sailors are required to check in on-site, even if the sailor pre-registered by mail or other means. **Registration and Check-in** at the regatta will be conducted at the registration table on Saturday, October 23, 2021, between 8:00 a.m. and 9:15 a.m. at the Viridian Sailing Center.
- 4.4 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.

5.2 The schedule for the regatta is:

Friday, October 22

17:00-21:00 The Club will be open to allow unloading of boats.

Saturday, October 23

08:00-09:30 Breakfast
08:00-09:15 Registration at the Viridian Sailing Center
09:30 Skipper's Meeting on the dock (Attendance Mandatory)
10:30 Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow
Between Races Lunch will be served on the dock

Sunday, October 24

07:30-09:00 Breakfast
09:30 Preparatory Signal for the first race, additional races to follow
After Races Lunch will be served on the dock

- 5.3 No warning signal for a race will be given after 2:00 p.m. on Sunday.
- 5.4 Attendance at the Skippers' Meeting held at 9:30_a.m. on Saturday of the regatta on the dock is mandatory.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

Sailing Instructions will be provided ONLINE at the TSA Website (<https://www.txsail.org/circuit>) and posted on the Notice Board.

7. VENUE:

Races will be conducted on the waters of Lake Viridian, Arlington, Texas. No recreational motorized boats are allowed. All coach boats need to be pre-approved prior to the race. Please contact Oran Dart (oran.dart@gmail.com) if you plan to use a motorized coach's boat during the race.

8. COURSES:

All fleets will typically sail windward/leeward, triangle, box, 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 12.1 and 12.2 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 Optimist Red Fleet: 1-3

11.2 Optimist White Fleet: 1-3

11.3 Optimist Blue Fleet: 1-3

11.4 Opti Overall: 1st Place

11.5 Green Fleet: Participation Medals

11.6 Green Fleet: Voyager Award

12. DIRECTIONS TO THE CLUB: Viridian Sailing Center is located at 1200 Viridian Park Lane in the Viridian Community of Arlington Texas. Trailers can be parked at an overflow lot at Viridian Park Lane/Morning Elm Way.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION:

For further information please contact

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