

# 99th ANNUAL REGATTA

Junior One-Design C420, Opti, and Opti Green Classes

The Edgartown Yacht Club Junior Regatta will be held in Edgartown, Massachusetts beginning on Thursday, July 14, 2022 and ending on Saturday, July 16, 2022. The Edgartown Yacht Club is the organizing authority.

# **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

#### 1 RULES

The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2022-2024 including US Sailing Prescriptions*, and the rules of the one-design classes in which a boat is competing as published in each class association's web site.

#### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at Regatta Network: https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/24081#\_home
- 2.2 Supplementary sailing instructions (called 'the supplement' below) will be posted on the official notice board.
- 2.3 Opti Green Class Sailing Instructions will be posted as a supplement to the SIs on the official notice board no later than 0800 on July 14, 2022

# 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board before 1030 on the day it will take effect.
- 3.2 Any change to the schedule of races will be posted on the official notice board by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.3 The Race Committee may make oral changes to the sailing instructions on the water, in accordance with RRS 90.2(c). Changes shall be broadcast to coaches and instructors via VHF, and to competitors by oral hail no later than the warning for any race for which such changes will apply.

#### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Junior Yacht Club station mast.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 1 hour" in the race signal AP.

#### 5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

# Wednesday, July 13, 2022

1600-1900 Check-in JYC, Dock Street 1600 Boats can start being unloaded at the Chappaquiddick Beach

Club

# No boats may be unloaded or brought to the Chappaquiddick Beach Club before 1600, Wednesday, July 13

# Thursday, July 14, 2022

0730-0900	Check-in	JYC, Dock Street
0800	Skippers' Meeting	JYC, Dock Street
	Coaches' Meeting*	JYC, Dock Street

# \*On-the-water support personnel are required to attend the coaches'

#### meeting

1030	C420 - First Warning Signal	Outer Harbor
1030	Opti – First Warning Signal	Outer Harbor

1100\* Opti Green Fleet – First Warning Signal Off Lighthouse Beach

### Friday, July 15, 2022

1000	C420 - First Warning Signal	Outer Harbor
1000	Opti – First Warning Signal	Outer Harbor

1030\* Opti Green Fleet – First Warning Signal Off Lighthouse Beach

## Saturday, July 16, 2022

1000	C420 - First Warning Signal	Outer Harbor
1000	Opti – First Warning Signal	Outer Harbor

1030\* Opti Green Fleet – First Warning Signal Off Lighthouse Beach

# There will be no Warning Signals after 1430 on the final day of racing.

1700\* Awards Ceremony Clubhouse

#### 6 CLASS FLAGS

The class flags used by the Race Committee will be an approximation of the class insignia shown on each class's sails.

#### 7 RACING AREAS

The race course location for C420s will be the Edgartown Outer Harbor. The location for Optis will be just off the Chappaquiddick shore. The location for the Opti Green Fleet will be in the vicinity of Edgartown Light.

#### 8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 No later than the warning signal, the race committee will designate the course, and it may also display the approximate bearing and distance to the first mark.
- 8.2 Course diagrams can be found on the official notice board in the supplement to the sailing instructions. Diagrams show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

<sup>\*</sup> Approximate time

#### 9 MARKS

- 9.1 The windward, leeward, offset, wing, and gate marks will be inflatable marks.
- 9.2 New marks, as provided in SI 11, will be inflatable marks.
- 9.3 The starting and finishing marks will be a Race Committee boat and an inflatable buoy.
- 9.4 The Race Committee may set an offset mark to be honored after the windward mark. When a change is made to the windward mark a new offset mark need not be set.
- 9.5 A standoff buoy may be set off the stern of the Race Committee signal boat. This standoff buoy shall be regarded as part of the signal boat.

#### 10 THE START

- 10.1 The start sequence will be in accordance with RRS 26.
- 10.2 The Race Committee may use the RRS Appendix U *Audible Signal Racing System* in lieu of the starting signals prescribed in RRS 26. The Race Committee shall inform competitors of this change upon check-in.
- 10.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag flown on the Race Committee signal boat and an inflatable buoy which may also be a rounding mark of the course.
- 10.4 A boat starting more than 4 minutes after its starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 10.5 If any part of the boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line before the starting signal, the Race Committee will attempt to hail their sail number. Failure to make a hail will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

#### 11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

#### 12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag flown on a Race Committee boat and a nearby mark which will be on the same side of the Race Committee boat as the staff displaying a blue flag.

#### 13 PENALTY SYSTEM

A boat that has taken a penalty or retired shall report their action to the Race Committee immediately upon finishing or retiring.

#### 14 TIME LIMIT

14.1 The time limit for the first boat to finish in each class, unless otherwise posted or signaled, will be 45 minutes from the start signal of that class.

14.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expires (TLE). This changes RRS A4 and A5.

#### 15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Boats intending to protest an incident occurring in the racing area shall notify the Race Committee finishing vessel immediately after finishing or retiring, and before communicating with any support persons.
- 15.2 Hearing forms are available to C420 class competitors from protest judges at the JYC on Dock Street. Hearing forms for Opti class competitors are available from protest judges at the Sailing Center on Chappaquiddick. Completed protest and request for redress forms shall be delivered to protest judges within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.3 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee signal boat returns to the dock. The time of docking will be noted on the official notice board.
- 15.4 Breaches of SI 10.4, 13, 16, and 18 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalty for these breaches may be less than disqualification, if the Protest Committee so decides.
- 15.5 Breaches of RRS 47 *Trash Disposal* will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

## 16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 Before the first warning, each boat shall verbally check in with the Race Committee signal boat at the starting area by passing astern of the signal boat on starboard tack. Each boat shall state its class and sail number. The Race Committee will acknowledge by responding with the sail number recorded.
- 16.2 Coast Guard approved PFDs shall be worn by every sailor at all times while on the water (except when actively adding or removing clothing). PFDs shall be worn outside of all clothing. This changes RRS 40.
- 16.3 Inflatable PFDs are not authorized to be worn by C420 or Opti sailors.
- 16.4 A boat that retires from a race, or intends to leave the racing area prior to their finishing the last race of the day, shall notify the Race Committee immediately.
- 16.5 Support vessels observing any on the water incident requiring an emergency response shall immediately report the incident to the race committee, which will coordinate operations with emergency services. Support vessels may be tasked by the race committee.

## 17 SUPPORT PERSONS AND VESSELS

- 17.1 Support persons and vessels are required to possess and monitor a working VHF radio. All support vessels are subject to tasking by the Race Committee.
- 17.2 Radio communications between the Race Committee and support vessels will be via VHF. Channel assignments for each fleet will be listed in the supplement on the official notice board.
- 17.2 All support vessels shall be equipped with a functioning engine safety cut-out switch (kill switch) which shall remain attached to the support vessel operator at all times while the engine is running. Failure to comply may be misconduct and/or result in expulsion from the regatta.

17.3 The operation of drones by support persons in the vicinity of the race course is prohibited.

#### 18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or its equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

#### 19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race, which states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes. 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.

#### 20 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact the Edgartown Yacht Club, One Dock Street, P.O. Box 1309, Edgartown, Massachusetts, 02539.

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