

# OSYC 1699 YOUTH WAVE REGATTA

The Organizing Authority is the Ocean Springs Sailing Squadron

**29 & 30 April 2023**

Ocean Springs, Mississippi, USA

## **NOTICE of RACE (NoR)**

The notation '[NP]' in a *rule* means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that *rule*. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

The notation '[DP]' in a *rule* means that the penalty for a breach of the *rule* may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

### **1 RULES**

1.1 The event is governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 The prescriptions of US Sailing will not apply except the prescriptions to *rules* 60.3, 67, 70.5(a) and 76.1. RRS 61.4 and Appendices R and V will apply.

1.3 Under rule 86, Changes to the Racing Rules, the following rules are changed as follows:

- [NP] Boats may be finished on the course (FOC) at the discretion of the race committee. The RC determines the method and order of finishing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2.

1.4 RRS 40.1, Personal Flotation Devices, Basic Rule, applies at all times while afloat. Youths without PFD's may have one provided by OSSS.

1.5 RRS D5 applies.

### **2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

2.1 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the official notice board located at OSYC.

### **3 COMMUNICATION**

3.1 All competitors are encouraged to carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 16, 68, 69, 71 and 72.

3.2 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the supplementary sailing instructions.

3.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

### **4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

4.1 The event is open to all *qualified youth sailors* who will not have reached the age of 21 by the end of 2023, sailing in the Youth Wave Class

4.2 Youth Wave Class will be sailed in Hobie or Formula Waves provided by OSSS, using a round-robin format. Participation is on a first-to-register basis based on availability of club provided Waves. Early registration is requested to secure boats.

- 4.3 Competitors who have not reached their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday prior to the event will be required to have a parent, guardian or designated adult attending the event and that adult representative shall be responsible for the competitor throughout the event.
- 4.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a competitor shall complete all registration requirements. On-site registration is 0800 to 0930 on Saturday 29 April.
- 4.5 Late entries will be accepted each morning at the check-in desk prior to the competitor's briefing.

## 5 FEES

- 5.1 Entry fees, including breakfast each day, and pizza Saturday after racing: Youth/ Wave Class – NO Entry Fee . All fees are paid for by OSSS.

## 6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Two days of racing are scheduled, Saturday and Sunday 29 and 30 April 2023.
- 6.2 A competitors briefing will be held each morning at 0930 in the breezeway under the clubhouse.
- 6.3 The first Warning Signal will be at 1100 each day, with following races as soon as possible after the completion of each race.
- 6.4 The order of starts will be discussed at the competitors' briefings and on-the-water each day.
- 6.5 The intention is to race five races on Saturday and four races on Sunday. There is no maximum number to be sailed.
- 6.6 A competitors de-briefing will be held each afternoon following racing at a time TBD. This de-briefing will be held in the breezeway under the clubhouse by Parents, Coaches, Race Officials and competitors to discuss the days events and any noteworthy occurrences on the racecourse. The de-briefing is not mandatory but is highly recommended for all competitors.
- 6.7 On Sunday, no warning signal will be made after 1500.

## 7 VENUE

- 7.1 The event will be held at Ocean Springs Yacht Club with racing on Biloxi Bay, south and west of OSYC and between Deer Island and the mainland.

## 8 COURSES

- 8.1 The courses to be sailed and the marks that may be used will be provided with the supplementary sailing instructions. Windward – Leeward courses are planned.

## 9 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, will be used. V1: Penalty at the Time of an Incident. Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn penalty. V2: Post-Race Penalty. 30% scoring penalty.

## 10 SCORING

- 10.1 The Low-Point System of Appendix A of *The Racing Rules of Sailing* will apply.
- 10.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.3 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a competitor's series score will be the total of his/her race scores.

## 11 RISK STATEMENT

**11.1 RRS 3 states: ‘The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.’ By participating in this event each competitor or his/her adult representative 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. It is the responsibility of each competitor or his/her parent, guardian, or adult representative to decide if the sailor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event.**

**12 PRIZES**

**12.1 Prizes will be given as follows: Trophies will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> for the Youth Wave Class.**

**13 FURTHER INFORMATION**

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