



Notice of Race

2023

75th Annual Labor Day Regatta

September 2nd - 3rd, 2023 (Amended August 29, 2023)

Sarasota Sailing Squadron and Sarasota Youth Sailing

1. Organizing Authority & Host

The regatta is organized under the authority of Sarasota Sailing Squadron. The event will be hosted at the Sarasota Sailing Squadron.

2. Rules

The 2023 Labor Day Regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

3. Eligibility & Entry

- 3.1. The regatta is open to the following classes: **Optimist Emerald**, Optimist Green, Optimist RWB, C420, ILCA 4, ILCA 6, and ILCA 7.
- 3.2. US Sailing membership is encouraged for each competitor (helmsman and crew).
- 3.3. This regatta will be a Sailors for the Sea "Clean Regatta." Competitors are reminded of rule 47 which states that competitors "shall not intentionally put trash in the water."

4. Eligibility for Opti Emerald Fleet Clinic

- 4.1. Eligibility is strongly recommended for ages 8-11 who have little or no racing experience.
- 4.2. The format will be a blend of clinic and short races.

5. Registration & Fees

- 5.1. Registration is available online only via [Regatta Network](#). **Event ID: 26192**
- 5.2. All Optimists and ILCA: \$100 if registered and paid by August 13, 2023.
C420: \$140 if registered and paid by August 13, 2023.
- 5.3. All registrations received after August 13, 2023 will be charged a \$25 late fee. Online registration will **close on Thursday, August 31, 2023** and no on-site registration will be available. Caps on registration and waitlists may apply.
- 5.4. Registration includes 1 event shirt and 1 dinner ticket per Opti and ILCA registration. C420s will receive 2 event shirts and 2 dinner tickets. Registrations received after August 13th, will not be guaranteed selected shirt size.

6. Schedule of Events

Friday, September 1st

1600-1800 Check-In

Saturday, September 2nd

0800-0900 Check-In

0930 Competitors' Briefing; Green Fleet Briefing to follow

1045 First Signal for all fleets; except Optimist **Emerald and** Green Fleet

1100 First Signal for Optimist Green Fleet

There will be dinner after racing. Purchase extra dinner tickets through registration or [here](#).

Sunday, September 3rd

1000 First Signal for all fleets

On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal shall be made after 1400.

Awards to follow as soon practicable after racing.

7. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available on [Regatta Network](#). **Event ID: 26192**

8. Venue

- 8.1. Boats will launch from the Sarasota Sailing Squadron and Ken Thompson Park.
- 8.2. The racing area will be the Sarasota Bay.

9. Courses

Courses will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.

10. Scoring

- 10.1. One race constitutes a regatta.
- 10.2. If six (6) or more races are sailed, a boat's worst score shall be discarded. This changes RRS A2.

11. Safety

- 11.1. All competitors are required to wear US Coast Guard Approved Life Jackets at all times while afloat, except when temporarily adding or removing clothing.
- 11.2. Parents/guardians are responsible for the safety of all sailors under 18.

12. Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to race. The organizing authority will not accept liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

13. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded to each fleet with 5 boats or more.

14. Photographers and TV Rights

Competitors give absolute right and permission for any photographs or video footage taken of them or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever; for editorial or advertising purposes, or to be used in press information.

15. Parking

Ample parking is available outside the main gate. Inside parking is reserved for regatta volunteers. Vehicles parked inside, blocking members' boats or trailers will be towed.

16. Adult Responsibility and support with the operation of coach and spectator vessels

- 16.1. Coach boats must use the public boat ramp which is located SW of SSS.
- 16.2. All coaches, parents, guardians and 'designated adults' are support persons (See RRS definition Support Person).
- 16.3. In addition to the requirements of RRS 3 Decision to Race, an adult (parent, guardian or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of their competitor. It is the responsibility of this adult to decide if their competitor 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.
- 16.4. Parents not personally attending any part of the event shall ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their sailor.
- 16.5. The designated adult shall accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes onshore activities before, during, and after the regatta.
- 16.6. The organizing authority strongly recommends that each sailor have a support (coach or spectator) vessel on the racecourse throughout the regatta.

- 16.7. Each support vessel shall have a working VHF radio and monitor the radio, an anchor suitable for anchoring in the waiting area, and a basic first aid kit.
- 16.8. All support vessels shall be equipped with a functioning engine safety cut-out switch which shall remain attached to the operator at all times while the engine is running. [DP]

17. Further Information

Host Organization:

Sarasota Sailing Squadron
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1717 Ken Thompson Parkway
Sarasota, FL 34236

Phone: 941-388-2355

Email: membership@ssssailing.com

Accommodations: There is no tent, car or RV camping permitted at SSS. Camping may be available at Oscar Scherer State Park or Myakka State Park. There are numerous convenient lodging and dining options in the vicinity of the Squadron. Check your favorite lodging websites, such as www.visitsarasota.com.

Water Bottles: Please bring refillable water bottles. Outdoor water refilling station located by the main entrance to the club house and at the Youth Building.

Boat Storage and Set Up: Complimentary boat set up and storage is available to competitors from Friday, August 31st through Monday, September 4th in Ken Thompson Park.

Dock space at the Squadron is limited and boats may be required to raft off each other. Dock space for Coach boats is located between the two most southern docks. Youth Sailing dock and C dock.

Scan to access the event website for registration, results, and more information.:

