



NOTICE OF RACE

2023 Rochester Yacht Club Junior Olympics

Organizing Authority: Rochester Yacht Club

This is not a US Sailing USA Junior Olympic Sailing Festival Regatta and is not associated with US Sailing.

Date: August 5th – 6th, 2023

1. RULES

- a. The race will be governed by the rules as defined by The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- b. The following additional documents govern the regatta: the entry form, the waiver of liability and consent for medical treatment.
- c. Racing rules 40, 60.1, 61.1(a) are changed as follows. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
 - i. US Coast Guard approved PFDs are required and shall be worn at all times on the water except as specified in the Sailing Instructions. Use of inflatable PFDs or buoyancy aids is not permitted. A whistle is recommended. This changes rule 40.
 - ii. A competitor may not be protested for breaking a class rule that requires membership. An Optimist competitor may not be protested for breaking the IODA requirement for a paddle. This changes rule 60.1.
- d. Alcohol and drugs: No contestant shall use, either on or off the water, alcoholic beverages or any controlled substance, the possession of which is unlawful. This rule is in effect during the entire event from the time of arrival through the completion of all activities and the departure from the venue.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- a. The regatta is open to boats in the Club 420(Spin and non-spin divisions) Optimist, and Laser and Laser Radial classes.

- c. Membership in US Sailing is required for each competitor.
- d. Competitors may not reach their 19th birthday in the current calendar year.

3. ENTRY and FEES

- a. The entry fee will be \$145.00 per competitor in Opti RWB and Laser Fleets
- b. The entry fee will be \$235 per boat in the 420 spin and not spin class
- c. There will be a fee of \$35 per coach.
- d. **Late fee of \$30 per sailor after July 31st at midnight**
- e. The entry fee for Green Fleet Optimist competitors will be \$100 per competitor. The entry fee includes:
 - A Junior Olympic T-shirt
 - up to 10 races planned Saturday and Sunday
 - RYC's Almost World-Famous Hot Dog Cookout on Saturday with Ice Cream after racing
 - Continental Breakfast both mornings
 - Lunch after racing on Sunday
 - Awards
- f. Registration and entry will be made through Regatta Network.

4. CLASSES

- a. Optimist class: sailors may not reach their 16th birthday in the current calendar year. Skippers will register into White, Red and Blue fleets according to their ages as of August 1st 2023.
- b. Optimist Green Fleet- Novice division on separate course area supervised by coaches. The Green Fleet may not sail in all conditions and may launch, come ashore and re-launch at the direction of the Race Committee. Appropriate on shore activities will be supervised during hours the rest of the sailors are racing.
- c. Laser Radial/ Laser Standard Rig
- d. Club 420 Spinnaker/Non-Spinnaker

5. Preliminary SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, August 4th

RYC CNY Interclub Regatta 10-2pm

Sailor and coach registration and check-in – Trophy Room (Main Club house) 4 – 7 pm.

Saturday, August 5th

7:30am – 9am Sailor and coach registration, check-in, rig boats, Continental Breakfast – Burgee Building

8:00am- 8:30am Coaches and Safety Meeting

9:00am- Competitors Meeting

10:00am - first start

No time limit on races

After Racing, Big boat rides, BBQ, games, and fire with s'mores.

Sunday, August 6th

7:30am – 9am rig boats, Continental Breakfast – Burgee Building

8:15 am Coaches meeting for daily updates.

8:30 Pre-race weather briefing, competitors meeting, followed by boat launch

9:45am first start

2:00 PM- NO RACE STARTED AFTER

4:00 pm (approx.) After Racing Lunch /Awards Presentation

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

a. Sailing instructions will be available at check-in and will be available online on the RYC webpage for Junior Olympics after August 1st, 2023

7. RACING AREA

a. The race area will be on Lake Ontario off the entrance to the Genesee River.

8. COURSES

a. The courses to be sailed may include triangle, windward-leeward and trapezoid courses, as described in the sailing instructions. The Optimist Green Fleet class may sail other courses.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

a. Appendix T1, T2 and T3 will apply as described in the sailing instructions.

10. SCORING

- a. The low point scoring system of appendix A will apply.
- b. Two races constitute a series for the purposes of awards.
- c. When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- d. Optimist Green Fleet sailors will receive participation awards.

11. PRIZES

- a. Junior Olympic Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded for each class.
- b. Additional prizes may be awarded and may be based on criteria other than the competition.

12. MEDIA

By participating in this regatta, a competitor (or parent or guardian if under 18) grants to Rochester Yacht Club and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any photographs, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television or other reproductions of him or her during the period of the competition without compensation.

13. DISCLAIMER of LIABILITY:

Sailing has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in these events participate entirely at their own risk. See Racing rule 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, volunteers or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in the event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

14. COACHES AND COACH REGISTRATION

Coaches are integral to the success of this event and will be included for all meals served for a fee of \$35. Coaches are encouraged to bring support/safety boats. PFD's are required to be worn by all coaches. Coaches are asked to register prior to the event and no later than 8am on August 3rd by completing the coach registration form and paying \$35 fee.

15. Additional Information

Competitors, coaches and parents are reminded that Genesee River is a restricted channel and that sailing vessels do NOT have right-of-way over vessels under power that may be restricted in their ability to maneuver. Participation in this regatta does NOT provide standing over vessels that have right-of-way.

Additional information will be posted on the RYC Junior Olympics webpage at: www.rochesteryc.com

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