

2025 FEED THE NEED Regatta
Hosted by: Pine Beach Yacht Club
June 27, 2025

Junior State Championship Sunfish Trophy –(ages 8 - 13)
Junior State Championship Sunfish Trophy –(ages 14 - 17)
(age for Sunfish awards is age on day of race)

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organizing Authority: Pine Beach Yacht Club

1. RULES

- 1.1. The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 (RRS); The rules of the Laser, sunfish and Optimist Classes, except where any of these are changed by these sailing instructions.
- 1.2. Rules of all classes are altered so that Class membership is not required.
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence

2. SCHEDULE - Friday June 27, 2025

0800-0900 Check In and Late Registration. No Registrations after 0900.

0900-0930 Skippers Meeting.

1000 Harbor Start

1015 First Warning Signal all Classes.

Races will be sailed back to back until the lunch break.

Lunch: Lunch break will be announced at the finish line and served on land at PBYC.

Afternoon: Subsequent race(s) sailed back to back. Awards to follow racing.

2. NUMBER OF RACES:

Five (5) races are scheduled. One race constitutes a regatta. No Warning Signal will be given after 1530.

3. CLASSES, FLEETS AND COURSES:

Course C: Optimist White, Blue and Red.

Course D: Sunfish

Course E: Laser Radial, Laser 4.7

The course locations are subject to change due to wind and weather conditions and will be announced at the Skippers' Meeting. Courses will be announced prior to each race. Courses will primarily be port triangles, once around but may include "twice around" or "Olympic" variations. The start and finish line will be in the middle of the racecourse. Racing will be on the waters of the Toms River and Barnegat Bay.

4. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS:

Notices will be posted on the official Regatta Notice Board located at the Clubhouse. Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted no fewer than 30 minutes prior to Harbor Start. Notices shall be considered as given to the competitors once they are posted on the notice board

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE:

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the club's flagpole.

6. MARKS:

All marks will be shown at the Skipper's Meeting.

7. STARTING AND FINISHING:

7.1. Sound Signal Starting System (3 minute “dinghy” start) shall be used, with an Attention Horn (repeated short blasts) shortly before the three minute Warning Signal.

<u>Signal</u>	<u>Sound</u>	<u>Time Before Start</u>
Warning	3 long	3 minutes
Preparatory	2 long	2 minutes
	1 long	1 minute
	3 short	30 seconds
	2 short	20 seconds
	1 short	10 seconds
Starting	1 long	0

7.2. The starting and finishing line will be in the middle of the racecourse between a staff displaying a flag on the Race Committee Boat and an inflatable mark at the pin end.

7.3. Failure to hear sound signals on the courses will not be grounds for redress.

7.4. The Opti White, Blue and Red fleets will start and race together, but will be scored separately.

7.5. Boats that have finished shall stay clear of the finish line. After crossing the finish line the finishing boat shall round the committee boat end of the line and not the pin end of the line. While waiting for the next race to commence, all boats shall wait to starboard of the committee boat.

8. RECALLS:

8.1. Individual Recalls will be signaled by one sound signal. The Race Committee will attempt to hail the sail numbers of boats that are over early. Failure to hear a recall hail is not an excuse for a boat failing to exonerate itself.

8.2. A General Recall will be signaled by two sound signals. After a General Recall, the three-minute sequence will begin no less than one minute after the two sound signals

9. PROTESTS: –

1.1. A boat that intends to protest must notify the Race Committee finish boat of its intention, including the sail number of the protested boat, immediately after finishing the race in which the foul occurred. This changes RRS 61.

1.2. The Protest Committee will hear protests in approximately the order of receipt, as soon as possible.

1.3. Upon completion of the races for the day a protest form must be fully completed and submitted to the Race Committee within thirty minutes from the time the Race Committee boat reaches the PBYC dock. If the Race Committee finish boat has not been notified and/or a protest form has not been filled out, the protest will not be heard. The Protest Committee as appointed by the Regatta Committee will make a decision regarding the protest. This changes RRS 61.2, 61.3.

1.4. Protest forms are available at the Clubhouse in the registration area.

1.5. Protest Notices will be posted within ten (10) minutes after the Protest time limit has expired or earlier to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties to a protest or named as witnesses.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM:

The One-Turn Penalty, one tack and one gybe (360), is in effect for all races. This changes RRS 44.1 & 44.2.

11. SCORING:

- 11.1.1 Scoring will follow the Low-Point Scoring System, Appendix A2 of the RRS.
- 11.1.2 If more than three races are completed, each boat's worst finish will be excluded from its series score. This changes Rule A2.1
- 11.1.3 A boat may not drop a disqualification. The next worse score shall be excluded instead.
- 11.1.4 Fleets (i.e. Red, Blue, White and Lasers) that race together will be scored separately by fleet.

12. ABANDONMENT & CANCELLATION:

The Race Committee may abandon or cancel a race when changes, in weather conditions or any other factor, in their discretion, prevents the regatta to continue safely or satisfactorily. The signal will be five (5) long horn sounds. Upon cancellation or abandonment, the race course shall be cleared immediately.

13. SAFETY:

- 13.1.1 All competitors shall wear U.S. Coast Guard approved life jackets at all times while on the water.
- 13.2 Towlines are required for all competitors.
- 13.3 A bailer is required for all optimist competitors.
- 13.4 A boat that does not finish a race shall notify a Race Committee boat before leaving the race area. If this is impossible, the competitor shall notify a Regatta representative immediately after arriving ashore.

14. TIME LIMITS:

If no boat rounds the first mark within 30 minutes of the Starting Signal, that race will be abandoned. The time limit for the first boat in each division in each race to finish sailing the course will be 60 minutes. Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat finishes may be scored in their current position.

15. SUPPORT BOATS

- 15.1. Instructors, coaches, spectators, or other support personnel shall not make contact or communicate with competitors from the time of the preparatory signal until competitors have completed the race. The penalty, as determined by the Protest Committee, for failure to comply with this requirement, may be disqualification of all boats associated with any personnel who violate this rule. Instructors, coaches or other support personnel and family members shall not enter the racing area at any time during the race.
- 15.2. All support boats shall comply with instructions from the Race Committee.
All support boats, coach boats and spectators shall obey requests made by Official Safety and Patrol Boats, concerning location of support boats to competitors.
- 15.3. The Race Committee may request assistance from support boats without any penalty. This changes Rule 41.

16. **PRIZES**

Trophies will be awarded as specified in the NOR.

17. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:**

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of property damage and bodily injury. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, Race Committee, Protest Committee, Host Club and any other Organization or Official 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.

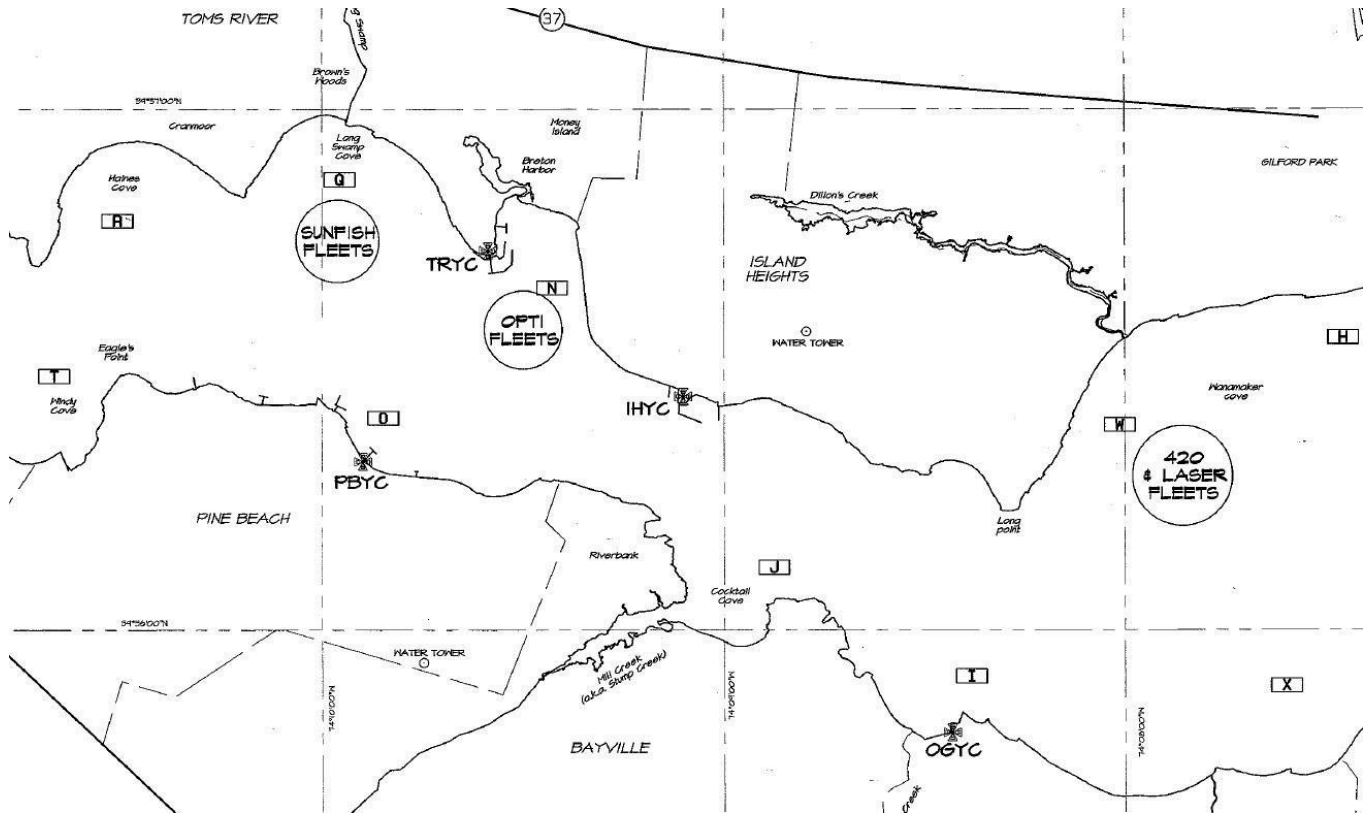
18. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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COURSE LOCATION



COURSE DESCRIPTION – Subject to appropriate wind / weather conditions.

- C Optimist White, Blue & Red;** On the Toms River side of the river, near N Barrel.
- D Sunfish;** On the Toms River side of the river, near Q Barrel.
- E Laser Radial, Laser 4.7;** Outside on the Wanamaker Course, east of Island Heights.

COURSE TYPE

The course will be a port triangle as follows:

Triangles may be “once around” or “twice around”

For an “Olympic” course, competitors will round the marks in the following sequence: Start, Weather, Offset, Leeward, Weather, Leeward, Finish. The start-finish line gate will be open on the Weather to Leeward leg.

