

TEAM FOR INVITATIONAL REGATTA

March 3-4, 2012
Clearwater Community Sailing Center
Clearwater, FL

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2009-2012* and the class rules of the International Optimist Association. In the event of a conflict between governing documents, the sailing instructions shall take precedence.

1.2 RRS 61.1 (2) will be changed to require a boat to display a red flag if she intends to protest concerning an incident in the racing area.

1.3 RRS 61 will be changed to require a boat to inform the race committee immediately after finishing, of its intention to protest another boat and provide the sail number of the protested boat.

1.4 Appendix P will be in effect with the following changes:

P2.1 will be replaced with: "When a boat is first penalized under instruction P1, her penalty will be: (a) if her penalty is signaled prior to finishing: a two-turns penalty under RRS 44.2. If she fails to take it she will be disqualified without a hearing. (b) if her penalty is signaled after she finishes: ten (10) points added to her score for that race."

1.5 The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 All competitors must have been born on or after January 1, 1997.

2.2 The event is open to all 2012 USODA Team Trials Qualified Sailors.

2.3 International sailors may be invited under the discretion of the organizing committee

2.4 Sailors may enter by completing registration, medical and waiver forms, paying all entry fees and meeting all measurement and safety requirements.

2.5 Advanced entry and waiver forms are to be completed online at www.regattanetwork.com.

2.6 At registration, each competitor shall indicate in writing the adult representative that shall be responsible for that competitor throughout the event.

3 FEES

The Entry fee shall be \$75.00 until registration closes.

Entry fees paid and received prior to 11:59PM EST, February 18, 2012 shall be \$75.00.

Entry fees paid after that time will be \$100.

No registrations will be accepted after 11:59PM EST, March 1, 2012.

4 SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 3rd

0800 – 0900 Competitor Check In

0900 Competitors' Meeting

1030 Warning signal for the first race of the day
 Subsequent races to follow
 Lunch on the water

Sunday, March 4th

1000 Warning signal for the first race of the day
 Subsequent races to follow
 Lunch on the water

No warning signal may be made after 1500 on Sunday.

Awards to follow ASAP after last race.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at Competitor Check-in.

6 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the Gulf of Mexico, South of Clearwater Pass, or if conditions warrant, in Clearwater Harbor South East of the Sailing Center.

7 COURSES

Courses will be described in the sailing instructions.

8 SCORING

8.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply, except that no score will be excluded until at least six (6) races have been completed.

8.2 When from six (6) to ten (10) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

8.3 When eleven (11) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two (2) worst scores.

8.4 The race committee will attempt to run as many races as possible. One race will constitute a regatta.

9 SUPPORT BOATS

9.1 One coach boat for every ten sailors may register with the Organizing Authority at Competitor Check-in.

9.2 The conduct of coach and other support craft will be governed by the sailing instructions.

10 SAFETY

10.1 In addition to the requirements of RRS 40 and its prescription, all competitors must wear a properly secured US Coast Guard Approved PFD with a whistle attached.

10.2 Each boat shall have a secure loop at the end of her bow line.

10.3 Non-compliance of any of the above sailing instructions may result in a penalty at the discretion of the protest committee, up to, and including disqualification.

11 DESIGNATED ADULT

11.1 An adult (Parent, guardian or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of the each sailor. It is the responsibility solely of this adult to decide if the sailor 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.

11.2 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, and each competitor shall indicate in writing the parent or adult representative that will be responsible for the competitor throughout the event.

11.3 The designated adult shall accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

12 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

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