



**CHUBB U.S. JUNIOR
CHAMPIONSHIPS**

2014 Chubb U.S. Junior Championships
for the Sears Cup, Bemis Trophy and Smythe Trophy
August 4 – 8

Organizing Authority: US Sailing

Hosts: Grand Traverse Yacht Club and Traverse Area Community Sailing
Traverse City, MI

Sponsored by Chubb Insurance Group, Zim Sailing,
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1 - RULES — The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.1 - The following documents shall apply:

- a - US Sailing Regulation 10.
- b - US Sailing Regulation 2.
- c - The Conditions for the United States Junior Sailing Championships.
- d - The US Sailing Championship Support Vessel Policy —
http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/Coaching_and_Support_Vessels.htm

1.2 - These Championships are not being conducted as a sanctioned or class association event. Only the Equipment Measurement Rules for the Interlake, C420 and Byte CII classes will apply. However, US Sailing encourages sailors to join the Interlake, C420 and Byte CII class Associations to support their efforts.

1.3 - Racing rules will be changed as below. These changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

- a - RRS 40 is changed so that competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard (USCG) approved Type III or V Personal Floatation Device (PFD), inherently buoyant (i.e. not inflatable) while on the water, except for brief periods while changing clothing.
- b - RRS 60.1(a) is changed to prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of any class rule other than class equipment measurement rules.
- c - RRS 64.1 is changed to allow penalties imposed by the Protest Committee under RRS 60.3 to range from a reprimand to a dismissal from the regatta.

2 - ADVERTISING — Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 - DISCIPLINES — The regatta will include these disciplines utilizing the following class compliant equipment:
Singlehanded Byte CII - Doublehanded Club 420 w/ Spinnaker & Trapeze - Triplehanded Interlake

4 - ELIGIBILITY —

- 4.1 - Competitors must have reached their 13th birthday but not their 19th birthday during 2014.
- 4.2 - All competitors and alternates must be individual or family members of US Sailing at the time of their respective first qualification event.
- 4.3 - The helm must be a member of a Local Sailing Organization (LSO)* that is a member of its Regional Sailing Association (RSA) and US Sailing.





4.4 - Crew member(s) must be members of a LSO which is a member of US Sailing within the same RSA as the helm.
4.5 - All the members of a crew shall reside in or regularly compete in the same RSA where the club is geographically located.

4.6 - An Alternate is named on the entry form at the first level of competition, and may not be changed in the competitive year.

**An LSO is defined to include a yacht club, sailing club, community sailing program or other sailing organization*

5 - QUALIFICATION —

5.1 - Each Area, as defined by US Sailing, may qualify one (1) team for the Triplehanded discipline and two (2) teams for both the Singlehanded and Doublehanded disciplines with the exception of Areas H and L which may qualify only one (1) team for each of the three disciplines.

5.2 - A Team is defined as all contestants listed on the entry form for a specific RSA, except the alternate.

5.3 - The skipper must remain the same throughout the series of qualifying events within and through his/her Area Qualifying event and including the National Championship. If the skipper is unable to continue, then the runner-up team will be named to replace the winning team.

5.4 - A crew member may be substituted with the named alternate only with the approval of the Protest Committee or, if between events, by the next-level Protest Committee. Once so named, the alternate shall compete as a named member of the team for the rest of the competitive year. An alternate, once used, may not be replaced or substituted for, without the written permission of the next level Protest Committee prior to the event.

6 - REGISTRATION and ENTRY —

6.1 - Registration for qualified teams may only be made by completing the online forms at:
<http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/ChubbJrChampionships.htm>. (the "Event Website").

6.2 - Registrations shall be submitted on-line no later than **2300 hrs. (EST), July 25, 2014**.

6.3 - If requested by the Organizing Authority, an applicant shall send a copy of his or her birth certificate or passport to complete the application.

6.4 - The entry fee is \$625 per competitor, which includes housing, charter boat, coaching, daily transportation to and from the host club, meals and entertainment

6.5 - The entry fee shall be paid by credit card on-line at the time of registration.

6.6 - A completed entry is defined as all forms having been completed on-line and all appropriate entry forms having been received by the host club by July 25, 2014.

6.7 - No refunds of the entry fee will be made after July 25, 2014.

6.8 - Housing is provided and is required for all competitors. Local competitors may be permitted to stay at their own homes in accordance with the criteria detailed in the Conditions.

7 - TRANSPORTATION —

7.1 - Sailors should plan to arrive at TVC on Monday, August 4th. **Earlier and/or later arrivals must be requested in writing at the time of registration to lizwalker@ussailing.org and approved ahead of time. Approval will only be given in extenuating circumstances.**

7.2 - Transportation to/from the Traverse City Airport (TVC) and GTYC will be available thru the host organizations. Details will be provided to qualified competitors prior to their arrival.

7.3 - Return flights should not be scheduled prior to 1900 hrs on Friday August 9, 2014. Specific details will be available after registration is complete. Those who cannot fly out on Friday night need to request permission to stay until Saturday morning in writing at the time of qualification to lizwalker@ussailing.org.

8 - CHARTER BOATS —

8.1 - All Boats are provided by US Sailing and the Local Host Organizations. Charter fees are included in the Entry Fee.



8.2 - A separate Damage Deposit Fee of \$450 per triplehanded team will be submitted by the team at the time the entry is submitted. A separate damage deposit form will be provided for the Club 420s and Byte CIs. Damage deposits will be taken by credit card form which can be downloaded as part of registration.

8.3 - All forms, including the damage deposit form **must** be on file with the host organizations prior to a competitor receiving a charter boat. **No exceptions.**

8.4 - The Organizing Authority facilitates the arrangement of charter boats for both the charter company and competitor(s). Charter Agreements are between a competitor and the charter company or host organizations if boats are provided through it.

8.5 - Competitors in the Triplehanded discipline are reminded that they are not covered or protected by the Borrowed Boat Insurance Program, which exists to protect the owner of the boat, not the sailors/borrowers.

8.6 - Charter Boats and Borrowed Boats facilitated by the Organizing Authority will include:

Singlehanded - provided in race-ready condition;

Doublehanded - provided in race-ready condition. Competitors shall provide their own trapeze harnesses, and are permitted to bring Fast-pins for the C420.

Triplehanded – Interlakes in race-ready condition. Competitors are responsible for ensuring the boats are in shipshape condition each day after racing. Teams will rotate boats after each race. Each team will be assigned a new spinnaker which they will keep with them throughout the competition.

8.7 - A condition of competing is that the competitor agrees to check-in their boat with the Charter Company immediately following the competition and assist in the loading of the charter company's container. Failure to do so will result in the forfeiture of \$250 from the Damage Deposit and may result in a competitor not being awarded a charter at a future US Sailing event.

9 - SCHEDULE -- ETM - Elmwood Township Marina — WBEC - West Bay Event Center

Day/Date Time	Location	Event
Monday/4th	1200 - 1700	GTYC Registration - Boat Assignments
	1700	GTYC Dinner - Welcome Ceremony - Clinic
	1930	GTYC Competitor pick-up by Hosts
Tuesday/5th		
	0800	GTYC Breakfast - prep lunches
	0900	GTYC/ETM Onshore Clinic
	1030	GTYC/ETM Rig & Leave Dock/On the water Clinic
	1300	ETM Triplehanded Competitor Meeting
	1400	ETM Triplehanded First Warning for Practice Race, additional races to follow
	1600	GTYC Practice Race for singlehanded and doublehanded fleets
	1800	GTYC Dinner
	1930	GTYC Competitor pick-up by Hosts
Wednesday/6th		
	0800	GTYC Breakfast - prep lunches
	0900	GTYC Singlehanded/Doublehanded Competitor Meeting
	1000	GTYC/ETM First Warning Signal
	1800	GTYC Dinner
	1930	GTYC Competitor pick-up by Hosts
Thursday/7th		
	0800	GTYC Breakfast - prep lunches
	1000	GTYC/ETM First Warning Signal
	1800	W B Event Ctr Dinner - College Night
	2100	W B Event Ctr Competitor pick-up by Hosts

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Friday/8th

0800	GTYC	Breakfast - prep lunches
1000	GTYC	First Warning Signal
1000	ETM	Reserve Day - Boat Inspection
1300	GTYC/ETM	No Warning past 1300 - Boat Inspection & Return
1730	GTYC	Awards Presentation
1900	GTYC	Transportation to Airport or pick-up by Hosts

10 - MANDATORY PARTICIPATION — Participation in all meals and regatta events is mandatory.

10.1 - A clinic will be held preceding the championship. The purpose of the clinic will be to familiarize the competitors with the local conditions and probable race course. The clinic will include a practice race. Coaches for the clinic will be provided by US Sailing. Permission to miss the clinic must be requested to lizwalker@ussailing.org in writing and will only be granted for extenuating circumstances.

10.2 - Attendance at the pack-up session and the Awards Ceremony is **MANDATORY** for all competitors. Failure to assist in the pack-up will result in forfeiture of a portion of the damage deposit (see 7.6) and may result in a competitor not receiving a charter at a future US Sailing event.

11 - MEASUREMENT — Each boat shall comply with the equipment measurement rules of its class and may be inspected for compliance at any time during the regatta at the discretion of the Protest Committee.

12 - TRIPLEHANDED DISCIPLINE — Teams shall not in any way adjust standing rigging of any boat in a round robin series before or during the event, except with the prior consent of the Protest Committee.

13 - SAILING INSTRUCTIONS — Preliminary Sailing Instructions will be posted online at the event website - <http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/ChubbJrChampionships.htm>. Registered competitors will be notified by text and/or email as they are amended. The final sailing instructions will be available at registration.

14 - VENUE — Attachment A on pg 7 shows the approximate sailing venues as well as the locations of GTYC and Elmwood Township Marina.

14.1 - The sailing area for the Singlehanded and Doublehanded disciplines will be off GTYC in the Southern part of West Grand Traverse Bay.

14.2 - The sailing area for the Triplehanded discipline will be off the Elmwood Township Marina in the Northern portion of the foot of West Grand Traverse Bay.

15 - COURSES —

15.1 - The Singlehanded and Doublehanded disciplines will sail a trapezoid course.

15.2 - The Triplehanded discipline will sail a windward/leeward course.

16 - PENALTY SYSTEMS — Appendix P – Special Procedures for Rule 42 will apply.

17 - SCORING —

17.1 - Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

17.2 a - When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

b - When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17.3 - Ten (10) races are scheduled for the Singlehanded and Doublehanded disciplines.

17.4 - Eleven (11) races are scheduled for the Triplehanded discipline.



18 - SUPPORT & SPECTATOR BOATS – Spectator boats may be available via sign-up at GTYC. Only flagged spectator boats will be permitted near the race course. **No private support boats are permitted.**

19 - COACHING —

19.1 - This is a Grade 2 Event as defined in the US Sailing Championship Support Vessel Policy. Except as provided in the Policy specified above, instructors, coaches and other support personnel and family members shall not go afloat in the defined racing area at any time during the clinic or racing days, except in spectator boats as defined in NOR 18.

19.2 - Outside contact with competitors is prohibited on clinic and racing days commencing with the competitor's arrival at the host club and shall continue until dismissed by the National Coach on clinic days, or released by the Protest Committee on racing days.

19.3 - Outside contact is defined as a parent, family member, spectator, or coach. Competitors shall not receive advice, instruction, or any type of outside assistance (other than that provided by US Sailing) including electronic communication devices while at the sailing venue during the clinic and racing days. It is the intent of this rule to prohibit contact between competitors and any person, who, in the opinion of the Protest Committee, is a coach, instructor or advisor.

19.4 - The coaches provided by US Sailing will offer individual on-the-water instruction and group commentary/advice on land following each racing day. This coaching will be given to all competitors on an as equal basis as possible.

19.5 - The Protest Committee may protest and disqualify a competitor for breaking the rules of NOR 19 from all races on the day of the infringement.

20 - PERSONAL FLOATATION DEVICES (PFD) AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT —

20.1 - Competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard (USCG) approved personal flotation device (PFD) while on the water other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. The PFD shall either be a USCG Type III or Type V device that depends 100% on foam for flotation. No modifications of the PFD are permitted. The PFD must be worn outside of all clothing except that a thin shirt may be worn over the PFD to prevent snagging. These will be checked at registration.

20.2 - The only gear, rigging, or equipment that a team may take aboard a boat shall be - magnetic card compass, flags, plastic bucket or bailer, normally equipped ditty-bag, personal effects, including PFDs and protective clothing. For the events using the C420, competitors are required to bring their own trapeze harnesses.

20.3 - Electronic fluxgate compasses and GPS devices of all varieties, styles and combinations are specifically banned.

21 - PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES —

21.1 - No competitor shall use, either on or off the water: marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in chapter 51 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use).

21.2 - An alleged breach of this requirement shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when the protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached the above requirement, it shall follow the process described in RRS 69.1, and a competitor found to have breached this requirement shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. The competitor's boat shall be disqualified from all races of the series.

22 - CONDUCT OF COMPETITORS —

22.1 - All competitors are expected to maintain the highest level of conduct throughout the entire event. Enforcement of discipline and conduct shall be conducted as per the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 69.1) and the policies and procedures of US Sailing (Regulation 15.01).

22.2 - The curfew of the competitors shall be 2130hrs. **NO EXCEPTIONS**

22.3 - Competitors are not permitted to drive any vehicle, including their own, during the event. Competitors that drive themselves to the host club shall leave their vehicle at their host family for the duration of the event.



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23 - DRESS CODE — Appropriate attire must be worn at all times. Bring one dress outfit (collared shirt and nice shorts/pants for guys and equivalent for girls – aka yacht club casual) for the awards banquet. Shoes must be worn at all times on land.

24 - PRIZES

24.1 - US Sailing Championship medals will be awarded to competitors who finish first through third.

24.2 - The following trophies will be presented —

- a - Singlehanded — The Smythe Trophy is the perpetual trophy presented to the winner.
- b - Doublehanded — The F. Gregg Bemis Trophy is the perpetual trophy presented to the winning team.
- c - Triplehanded — The Sears Cup is the perpetual trophy presented to the winning team. The Judges Trophy will be awarded to the second place team.

24.3. Sportsmanship and Seamanship Awards will be presented as follows —

- a - Singlehanded — Faye Bennet Sportsmanship Award
- b - Doublehanded — Bemis Sportsmanship Award
- c - Triplehanded — Cox Sportsmanship Award

24.4 - The Seamanship Trophy will be awarded to the Triplehanded Team that receives the greatest number of points for neatness and general ship-shape condition of their boats as per USJRSC Condition 7.

24.5 - Additional honours: The top two Youth Champs eligible single and doublehanded teams not already qualified and finishing in the top 30% of competitors will receive early acceptance to the 2015 U.S. Youth Championships in a boat of their choice. Teams must apply for the 2015 U.S. Youth Championship by the 2015 deadline to be eligible.

25 - DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY — Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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.

26 - FURTHER INFORMATION —

All official applications, notices, forms, lists and results will be posted

<http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/ChubbJrChampionships.htm> Contact your Area Representative of the U.S.

Junior Championship Committee or

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Attachment A

