

AYC ANNUAL JUNIOR REGATTA July 1, 2014

Organizing Authority: Annapolis Yacht Club Annapolis, Maryland, USA Event Website: www.annapolisyc.com/racing

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at the Junior Sailing Center. Notices will also be posted on the event web site notice board.
- 2.2 The race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to coaches and support boats on marine VHF radio. Area A will use VHF channel 78A. Area B will use VHF channel 72. Area C will use VHF channel 69.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the mast at the Junior Sailing Center.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Racing schedule is as follows:

Racing Day	Time	Scheduled Event
Monday, June 30, 2014	1730 – 2000	Boat drop-off at the AYC Sailing Center
Tuesday, July 1, 2014	1000	Registration opens
	1100	Competitors meeting
	1130	Harbor start
	1300	Warning signal for race #1
	1800	No warning signal will be made after this time
	After racing	Regatta Dinner & Awards at AYC

- 5.2 Races not completed on the scheduled day will not be sailed.
- 5.3 A total of 5 races are scheduled. 1 race completed will constitute a series.

6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 The class flags are:

Class	Class flag
C420	White flag with the 420 insignia
Laser	Solid green flag
Laser Radial	Solid yellow flag
Optimist Red, White, Blue	White flag with the Optimist insignia
Optimist Green	No class flag

6.2 Boats are not required to fly class flags.

7 RACING AREAS

7.1 The racing areas are shown in Attachment 1 – Racing Areas.

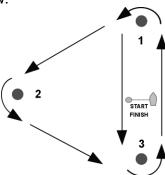
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7.2 The C420, Laser, and Laser Radial classes will race in Area A. The Optimist Red, White, and Blue fleets will race in Area B. The Optimist Green fleet will race in area C.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The courses for C420, Laser, Laser Radial, and Optimist Green are shown in the diagram (not to scale) and descriptions below:



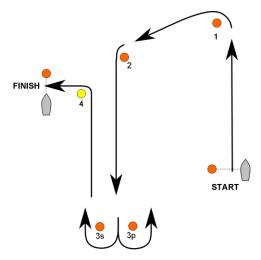
Course 2: Start, 1, 3, Finish

Course 3: Start, 1, 2, 3, Finish (Green Fleet course)

Course 4: Start, 1,3,1,3, Finish

Course 5: Start, 1, 2, 3, 1, 3, Finish

- 8.2 Marks shall be left to port. The starting and finishing line marks are marks of the course on the first and last legs only. When on a leg from Mark 1 to Mark 3, or from Mark 3 to Mark 1: Boats shall not cross the Start/Finish line. The Start/Finish line, between the race committee signal boat and the Start/Finish mark, is an *obstruction*.
- 8.3 No later than the warning signal the race committee signal boat will display the course to be sailed.
- 8.4 The course for the Optimist Red, White, and Blue fleets is shown in the diagram and description below:



Start, 1, 2, 3S/3P, 4, Finish (Note: Marks 3s and 3p will be yellow)

9 MARKS

- 9.1 For area A, all marks will be orange cylinders.
- 9.2 For area B, the start mark, finish mark, and marks 1 and 2 will be orange inflatable balls. Marks 3s, 3p, and 4 will be yellow inflatable cylinders.

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9.3 For area C, all marks will be orange and white balls.

9.4 A race committee starting or finishing boat may set a stand-off buoy. When present, this stand-off buoy, the line attaching it to the race committee boat, and the race committee boat are all part of the starting or finishing mark.

10 THE START

- 10.1 The start for C420, Laser, Laser Radial, and Optimist Green fleets (Areas A and C) will be according to RRS Appendix S (Sound Signal Starting System). This changes RRS 26.
- 10.2 For area A, the race committee will announce the class to be started by hoisting the class flag with one sound signal no less than 1 minute before the beginning of the starting sequence.

 The race committee intends to start the C420 class, then the Laser class, then the Laser Radial class. If there are no competitors in any one class, that class will be left out of this sequence.
- 10.2 The start for the Optimist class (Area B) will be according to RRS 26.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between the staff or halyard with an orange flag displayed on the race committee signal boat and the course side of the starting mark.
- 10.4 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.

11 RECALLS

The race committee will attempt to announce boats identified as OCS by hailing sail numbers with a loud hailer. Failure to hear or receive such hails, timeliness of hails or the order of sail numbers announced, will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee may move any mark provided that no boat is sailing that leg of the course. There will be no signal of this change. This changes RRS 33.

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the race committee finish boat and the course side of the finishing mark.
- 13.2 At the discretion of the race committee, if a boat is significantly delaying the completion of a race, she may be instructed to retire from the race and return to the starting area. Such boats will be scored with points equal to the number of boats finishing plus one. This action will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS Appendix A4.2 and A5.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

Penalties while racing: RRS 44.1, One-Turn and Two-Turns Penalties will apply.

15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 15.1 In each class, the time limit is 90 minutes.
- 15.2 The target time for each race is 35 minutes.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the protest desk located in the Junior Sailing Center. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.2 The protest time limit for each racing area is 60 minutes after the race committee signal boat for that racing area docks. The race committee will post the protest time limit.
- 16.3 The race committee will post a list of race committee scoring actions no later than the protest time limit.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.6 As soon as practicable after the protest time limit, the protest committee will post a notice to inform competitors of the schedule and location of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Junior Sailing Center.

17 SCORING

17.1 RRS Appendix A4, Low Point System, will apply.

17.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

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17.3 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 All competitors and coaches shall wear USCG approved Type III Personal Floatation Devices (PFDs) at all times while afloat, except for brief periods while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.
- 18.2 Competitors shall pass by the transom of the race committee boat on starboard tack and hail their sail number to the committee before the start of their first race of the day to verify their intent to compete. Boats that fail to do so will not be scored.
- 18.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 18.4 At their discretion, the race committee may require a competitor to retire from racing if the competitor is determined to be a risk to their own safety or the safety of others.

19 PRIZES

- 19.1 Prizes will be given to first, second and third places in the C420, Laser, Laser Radial, Optimist Red, Optimist White, and Optimist Blue classes.
- 19.2 Prizes will be given to first through fifth places for overall standing in the Optimist fleet.
- 19.3 A prize will be given to the top girl competitor in the Laser Radial, and Optimist fleets and to the top all girl boat in the C420 class.
- 19.4 All Optimist Green fleet competitors will receive participation awards.
- 19.5 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

Area B Area A

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ATTACHMENT 1 - RACE AREA

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