



NOTICE OF RACE
Narragansett Bay Yachting Association
2018 Junior Race Week – USA Junior Olympic Sailing Festival
August 13-15, 2018 – Bristol, RI



Junior Race Week/ USA Junior Olympic Sailing Festival is organized by the Narragansett Bay Yachting Association (NBYA) and its Junior Sailing Program in association with US Sailing. East Bay Sailing Foundation is the host. NBYA is the organizing authority.

1. RULES

- a. The race will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *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” forms, NBYA safety equipment checklist.
- c. The regatta is also governed by the SafeSport Code for the US Olympic and Paralympic Movement.
- d. 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.
 - iii. Protest flags are required for all fleets except the Open Bic class and the Optimist Green fleet. This changes rule 61.1(a).
- e. Alcohol and drugs: No contestant shall use, either on or off the water, alcoholic beverages or any 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 departure from the venue.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- a. The regatta is open to boats in the Club 420, Optimist, Byte, Laser Radial and Open Bic classes. This is a “bring your own boat” event. NBYA may add additional one-design classes with entries of 5 or more boats on written request.
- b. Each competitor must be an individual or family member of NBYA or a member of another US Sailing Regional Sailing Association. Membership will be verified during registration.
- 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

Entry in JRW/JO includes the following: the regatta and food and beverages after racing each day. (NOTE: Lunch is NOT provided; it is the competitor’s responsibility to bring his or her own lunch.)

- a. Registration and entry are accepted on-line at www.nbya.org/shop.
- b. The DISCOUNTED on-line entry fee per competitor is \$135.00 until July 1, 2018.
- c. The STANDARD on-line entry fee per competitor is \$160.00 after July 1, 2018, until noon on July 15.
- d. The LATE on-line entry fee after noon on August 10 or on-site is \$185.00 per competitor. Late registration is available on-site after 8 am on August 13.
- e. Entry is not complete until the registration, waiver of liability and consent for medical treatment forms are completed and accepted and the regatta fee is paid.
- f. Wrist band replacement fee is \$25.00.

4. AGE DIVISIONS and CLASSES

- a. Club 420 Division I: neither skipper nor crew may reach their 16th birthday in the current calendar year.
- b. Club 420 Division II: neither skipper nor crew may reach their 19th birthday in the current calendar year.
- c. 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 July 1, 2018. Green fleet sailors follow USODA Green fleet guidelines.
- d. Laser Radial, Byte and Open Bic sailors may not reach their 19th birthday in the current calendar year.

5. PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

8/12	1200-1730	Boat drop off
	1300-1730	Registration and check-in
8/13	0730-0830	Late registration
	0900	Competitor, coach and parent briefing
	1000	Harbor start for C420, Lasers and Opti R/W/B
	1100	Practice Race for C420, Lasers and Opti R/W/B
	1230	Harbor start for the Opti Green fleet
	1300	Warning signal for the first race (no specified end time for racing)
	After racing	Social with food and refreshments (free for competitors)
8/14	0900	Competitor, coach and parent briefing
	0930	Harbor start for C420, Lasers and Opti R/W/B, followed by Green fleet
	1030	Warning signal for the first race (no specified end time for racing)
	After racing	Social with food and refreshments (free for competitors)
8/15	0900	Competitor, coach and parent briefing
	0930	Harbor start for C420, Lasers and Opti R/W/B, followed by Green fleet
	1030	Warning signal for first race
	1500	No warning for a new race after this time
	After racing	Awards

The Optimist Green fleet will sail a similar but informal schedule. The Green fleet may not sail in all conditions and may launch, come ashore and re-launch at the direction of the Race Committee.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Sailing instructions will be available at check-in and online at www.nbya.org after 8/10.

7. RACING AREA

- a. The race area will be in the East Passage of Narragansett Bay off Bristol Town Beach and/or Barrington Beach.

8. COURSES

- a. The courses to be sailed may include triangle, windward-leeward and trapezoid courses, as described in the sailing instructions. The Open Bic class may sail other courses as directed by the race committee as described in the sailing instructions.
- b. The Optimist Green fleet may sail other courses.

9. PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

- a. Competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard-approved personal flotation device (PFD) at all times while on the water other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. The PFD shall depend 100% on foam for flotation and be the appropriate size for the sailor (see US Sailing Regulation 10). The PFD shall be worn outside of all clothing, except that a thin shirt may be worn over the PFD to prevent snagging.
- b. The only gear, rigging, or equipment 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. Competitors in the C420 class shall bring their own trapeze harnesses.
- c. The use of electronic compasses and GPS devices of any type is forbidden.

10. PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

- a. No competitor shall use, either on or off the water, marijuana, alcoholic beverages as defined by state and federal law, or any other substance, the possession of which is illegal.
- b. 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 the US Sailing Championships Code of Conduct. (Appendix 1)

11. CONDUCT OF COMPETITORS

- a. All competitors are expected to maintain the highest levels of conduct throughout the entire event. Enforcement of discipline and conduct shall be conducted per US Sailing's Code of Conduct, rule 69.2(a) and the policies and procedures of US Sailing (Regulation 10 and 15.01).
- b. When the PC believes that a competitor may have breached the above requirement, it shall follow the process described in the Code of Conduct. (Appendix 1)

12. SCORING

- a. The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.
- b. Three races constitute a series for the purpose of awards.
- c. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- d. NBYA Season Scoring:
 - i. To qualify for the Season Championship in the Optimist Red, White and Blue fleets, the Laser/Byte fleet and the C420 fleet, a competitor or team shall sail in at least 60% (rounded to the nearest whole number) of the races sailed in the 2018 Junior Day Regattas and shall also sail in Junior Race Week/USA Junior Olympic Sailing Festival. Season scores will be calculated in accordance with rule A9.
 - ii. To qualify for the Girls' Season Championship in the Optimist Red, White and Blue fleets, the Laser/Byte fleet and the C420 fleet, a female competitor or female team shall sail in at least 60% (rounded to the nearest whole number) of the races sailed in the 2018 Mary Rose Marshall Regatta and 2018 Junior Day Regattas and shall also sail in Junior Race Week/USA Junior Olympic Sailing Festival. Season scores will be calculated in accordance with rule A9.
 - iii. In double-handed classes, competitors are scored as complete teams (i.e. skipper A and crew A). Substitutions in either skipper or crew constitute a different team that will be scored separately. Constituted teams that do not sail events are scored DNC (1 more than the number of boats entered in that event).
 - iv. The scoring for the Season Championship shall include the scores of all races the competitor or constituted team sailed in the 2018 season excluding any discards. Scores from non-NBYA members will be eliminated from the season scores and scores of NBYA members will be adjusted to fill places that are vacated. In the case of a tie, appendix A8 will apply.
- e. Optimist Green fleet is a developmental fleet and is not scored. Races are tracked and posted but not tallied. All participants receive participation awards. While race placement and progress may be tracked, winning races is less important than learning, improving and having fun along the way. Competitors and parents who are looking for a more competitive environment should consider the Opti Red, White and Blue racing divisions.

13. PRIZES

- a. Junior Olympic Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded for each class based on competition.
- b. First, second and third place NBYA prizes will be awarded for each class and division based on competition.
- c. The Peggy Read Sailor of the Week Trophy will be awarded to the NBYA member skipper and/or crews with the best percentage score utilizing the Read sailing performance scoring system.
- d. The IYAC Trophy will be awarded to the most improved Optimist Green fleet sailor.
- e. Additional prizes may be awarded and may be based on criteria other than competition.

14. MEDIA

By participating in this regatta, a competitor (or parent or guardian if under 18) grants to NBYA 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.

15. DISCLAIMER of LIABILITY:

Sailing has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in these events participate entirely at their own risk. See 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, and in accordance with Section 7-6-9 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 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.

Competitors, coaches and parents are reminded that Narragansett Bay contains restricted channels 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.

Competitors, coaches, parents and programs are expected to provide and sail in boats that are properly rigged and equipped with the safety equipment required by class rule. Safety checks may be conducted and boats failing inspection must be corrected before being allowed to sail.

Supplemental Information, not included as part of the Notice of Race:

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