



Narragansett Bay Yachting Association
NOTICE OF RACE
2023 Junior Day Invitational Regattas

Optimist Clinic + Regatta #1 July 5-6 (2-day event) Ida Lewis YC	Optimist Regatta #2 July 16-17 (2-day regatta) Saunderstown YC	Optimist Regatta #3 August 8 Edgewood YC	Intentionally Blank
Club 420 Regatta #1 July 5-6 (2 day regatta) Sakonnet YC	Club 420 Regatta #2 August 9-10 (2-day regatta) Conanicut YC	Intentionally Blank	Intentionally Blank
Laser Regatta #1 July 18 Sail Newport	Laser Regatta #2 July 25 Bristol YC	Laser Regatta #3 August 7 East Greenwich YC	Intentionally Blank

These events are organized by the Narragansett Bay Yachting Association (NBYA) and its Junior Sailing Program, in association with member host clubs. NBYA is the organizing authority.

Each event may post unique requirements, restrictions or specific instructions on their individual event notice board on the regatta pages on NBYA.org.

- a. The race will be governed by the *rules* as defined by *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- b. The following additional documents govern the regatta: completion of the on-line entry form including age, parent/guardian and medical information.
- c. The NBYA boat safety checklist will be used to check boats participating in each day regatta. NBYA may enforce these safety rules by not scoring boats that do not meet the safety standards. This rule shall not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1
- d. Racing rules 40, 60.1, 61.1(a) are changed as follows. 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. Optimist class rules are changed to allow trainer boats to be used in these events for Green fleet.
- 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. These events are invitational events, open only to members of NBYA member clubs or organizations or members of area RSA's upon written permission and Junior membership in NBYA, with boats in the Club 420, Optimist, Laser 4.7 and Laser Radial classes. NBYA may add additional one-design classes with entries on written request.
- b. Each competitor must be a junior member of NBYA as an individual or family member. Membership will be verified during registration. Junior membership is available online at nbya.org.
- c. Competitors may not reach their 19th birthday in the current calendar year.

3. ENTRY and FEES

- a. Registration and entry are accepted on-line at nbya.org. A direct link to registration can be found at <https://narragansettbayyachtingassociation.theclubspot.com/>
- b. The on-line entry fee is \$50.00 per competitor, per regatta, per day.
- c. On-line registration is REQUIRED. Registration closes at 9am the morning of the regatta.
- d. Entry is not complete until membership, registration and the regatta fee is paid.
- f. Refund Policy- Requests for refunds must be received 5 days prior to the regatta date. There is no refund available for membership fee's.

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.
 - i. Club 420's will register together as a team, (skipper/crew) and pay a combined team fee. Both skipper and crew shall be NBYA Junior members.
- 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 5, 2023. Green fleet sailors follow USODA Green fleet guidelines.
- d. Laser /Laser Radial: sailors may not reach their 19th birthday in the current calendar year.

5. SCHEDULE for JUNIOR DAY REGATTAS
 - 0930 Harbor start, RC will conduct on water check-ins.
 - 1100 Warning signal for the first race, with additional races to follow (see NOR 10.b).
 - 1530 No warning for a new race after this time
6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
 - a. Sailing instructions will be available ON-LINE at nbya.org and posted on the event page.
 - b. Changes to the Sailing Instructions can be made on-the-water verbally by hoisting code flag LIMA with 1 sound and announcing the change by loudhailer.
7. RACING AREA
 - a. The race area and rendezvous location will be posted on the virtual notice board on the event page.
8. COURSES
 - a. The courses to be sailed may include triangle, windward-leeward and trapezoid courses as described in the sailing instructions. The Optimist Green Fleet may sail other courses on a schedule that may be different from the R/W/B fleet.
9. PENALTY SYSTEM
 - a. Protests will be conducted by Zoom meeting as described in the Sailing Instructions.
10. SCORING
 - a. The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.
 - b. A maximum of seven races per day are scheduled per regatta. Two 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. In double-handed classes, competitors are scored as complete teams (i.e. skipper A and crew A). Crew substitutions are prohibited.

SEASON SCORING

- e. Sailing in 61% of races sailed qualifies competitors for the 2022 NBYA Season Championship.
 - f. Season scoring will utilize rule A9.
 - g. The 2023 NBYA season consist of above scheduled dates, any rain checked additional dates and NBYA's Junior Race Week. The MRM Clinic & Regatta is not included in season scoring.
 - h. Season scoring will utilize the Cox Sprague Scoring system.
11. PRIZES
 - a. First, second and third place prizes will be awarded for each class and division based on competition.
 - b. Additional prizes may be awarded and may be based on criteria other than competition.
 - c. Optimist Green fleet is not scored. Placement is tracked but not tallied and participation awards are presented at the season's end.

12. WAIVER & DISCLAIMER of LIABILITY:

Sailing has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in these events participate entirely at their own risk. See Racing 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 registering and 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.

Additional Information

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

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