

NOTICE OF RACE

TEXAS SAILING ASSOCIATION YOUTH CIRCUIT REGATTA

Junior OI' Man of the Sea REGATTA

Fort Worth Boat Club, 10000 Boat Club Road Fort Worth, TX 76179, Texas

September 8-9, 2012

1. RULES:

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2** "The Texas Youth Racing Circuit Conditions" apply and are available on the web site at <http://www.txsail.org/> . A copy will also be available at the regatta site.
- 1.3** The rules for all classes are altered so that membership in a class organization is not required.
- 1.4** Racing Rules 61.1(a), Protest Requirements and Appendix A2, Scoring Systems are modified for this series. Racing Rule 49.1 is changed to allow the use of hiking pants.

- 2. ADVERTISING:** This regatta is classified as a Category A Event in accordance with RRS Appendix 1, Regulation 20 – ISAF Advertising Code.

3. ELIGIBILITY:

- 3.1** *The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist, Laser (Full, Radial and 4.7) and Double-Handed (420 Club, 420 Collegiate or other double handed boat as provided by the host club [edit as appropriate]) classes. All classes are "bring your own boat" [edit if host club will provide any boats]. A minimum of three boats is required to form a class. All boats shall have identifiable sail numbers. Sail numbers meeting class standards are encouraged.*
- 3.2** The regatta is open to all junior sailors who are less than twenty years old and who do not turn twenty years of age during this calendar year.
- 3.3** Optimists are sailed in four fleets:
 - 3.3.1** Green Fleet: Open to all novice sailors under age 15 and through 12/31 of the calendar year in which they turn age 15
 - 3.3.2** White Fleet: Age 10 and under
 - 3.3.3** Blue Fleet: Age 11 – 12
 - 3.3.4** Red Fleet: Age 13 – 15
 - 3.3.5** For Optimist White, Blue and Red fleets, skipper's age on the first day of the regatta determines his or her fleet. Skippers move fleets on their 11th and 13th birthdays. Those turning 15 may continue in Red fleet through 12/31 of that year.

- 4. ENTRY FEE:** The entry fee is \$ 55 for each sailor, whether in single or double-handed boats. The entry fee includes *one regatta T-Shirt and* the following meals for each sailor: *breakfast, lunch and dinner* on Saturday and *breakfast and lunch* on Sunday. Meal tickets will be available for non-competitors for an extra charge of \$25. Make all registration checks payable to Fort Worth Boat Club.

5. REGISTRATION AND CHECK IN:

- 5.1** Pre-Registration is encouraged and may be done by sending the attached registration form to: **Fort Worth Boat Club, 10000 Boat Club Road, Fort Worth, Texas 76179 Phone: 817-236-8393 Fax: 817-236-2800 email: office@fwbc.com; and online at www.txsail.org**

- 5.2** Registration and check-in at the regatta will be conducted on Saturday, September 8, 2012, between 0830 am and 1025 am in the Dogie Room. Execution of a **Liability Release Agreement** as set forth in the Registration Form shall be required. Parents are urged to provide a signed **Medical Consent Form** to enable other adults to obtain emergency medical services in the event of the parents' unavailability during the regatta.
- 5.3** All sailors are **required to check in** by 1025 am on Saturday at the registration table, even if the sailor pre-registered by mail or other means.

6. SCHEDULE:

- 6.1** Subject to the decisions of the Race Committee, six or more races are scheduled. One or more races will constitute a regatta. If five or more races are completed, there will be one throw out race for scoring purposes. If ten or more races are completed there will be one additional throw out – two total – for scoring purposes.
- 6.2** The schedule for the regatta is:

Friday, September 7, 2012

1600-2100 The Club will be open to allow unloading of boats. Participants and families are welcome for dinner. Kitchen closes at 2100.

Saturday, September 8, 2012

0830-1025 Breakfast
0830-1025 Registration in the Dogie Room
1030 Skipper's Meeting at the Dogie Room (Attendance Mandatory)
1100 Lunch on the grounds
1200 Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow
1800 No race started after 1800 hours
1830 Dinner

Sunday, September 9, 2012

0800-0900 Breakfast
0930 Preparatory Signal for the first race, additional races to follow
1300 No race shall start after 1300
1200 Lunch and awards to follow
1400 Everyone on the road to home – safe driving

- 6.3** No warning signal for a race will be given after 1300 on Sunday.
- 6.4** Attendance at the **Skippers' Meeting** held at 1030 am on Saturday of the regatta at the Dogie Room is mandatory.
- 7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:** Sailing Instructions will be provided at registration and at the Skipper's Meeting. If published in time, they may also be posted on the TSA website or on the Fort Worth Boat Club website at www.fwbc.com.
- 8. VENUE:** Races will be conducted on the waters of *Eagle Mountain Lake*.
- 9. SAFETY:** A U.S. Coast Guard approved personal buoyancy device will be worn by all competitors while on the water. Wet or Dry suits are not considered adequate buoyancy devices for this purpose. All buoyancy devices shall be worn on the outside of all clothing.

10. DISCIPLINE :

- 10.1** Per US SAILING Regulation 5.03 no contestant shall use, either on or off the water, during any Texas Sailing Association Junior event: 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. IRC Code and intended for beverage use). This regulation is in effect from date and time of arrival through date and time of departure from the locale. The penalty shall be that the contestant after a proper hearing, be immediately removed from the regatta venue and, where practical, sent home.
- 10.2** All competitors, coaches and parents are expected to maintain the highest level of conduct throughout the entire event. When the Protest Committee, from its own observation or a report received from any source believes that a competitor may have committed a breach of a rule, good manners, or sportsmanship, or may have brought the sport into disrepute, it may call a hearing. After a proper hearing the penalty may range from a reprimand to dismissal from the regatta and additional action may be taken under RRS 69.
- 10.3** Hearings will be held generally in accordance with the recommendations of Appendix M5 of the RRS. The officers for hearing a violation will consist of the Chief Judge, acting as chairman of the hearing, the Protest Committee and the Chairman of the Texas Sailing Association Junior Committee or his or her designee in the event he or she is not present. The regatta chair shall serve ex officio as a nonvoting member of the panel and will have an open right to express his or her views during the course of the hearing process.
- 11. TROPHY PRESENTATION:** Trophy presentations will be held on Sunday afternoon approximately one hour after the last race or when protest hearing(s) are completed. Number of trophies will be determined by the number of entries in each fleet. A minimum of three participants is required for a trophy in a particular class. Participation awards will be given to all green fleet sailors.
- 12. LODGING:** Go to the Fort Worth Boat Club website for a list of lodging options.
- 13. DIRECTIONS TO THE CLUB:** Please see our map on the FWBC website.
- 14. FURTHER INFORMATION:** For further information please contact: Kyle Meyer at 817-988-7485 or kyle.meyer@sbcglobal.net