

Hingham Bay Junior Regatta, Hingham, MA. July 8-9, 2021 The Organizing Authority (OA) is Hingham Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE

Hingham Yacht Club is excited to host the 2021 HBJR. The regatta will be run in accordance with current Federal, State, and local COVID-19 regulations in place at the time of the event. Masks must be worn at all times by unvaccinated children, and unvaccinated persons who enter the Hingham Yacht Club Clubhouse or Jr. Quarters. Covid regulations may be amended by modification to the NOR and or SI's, or posted at HYC at any time leading to, or during the event.

1. RULES

- **1.1.** The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS)2021-2024, and the prescriptions of US Sailing. Class rules are altered so that membership in a class organization is not required for participation in this regatta. Additional rules may also be changed in this NOR and or the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. RRS Rule 40 is changed as follows; competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard (USCG) approved life jacket, that is 100% dependant on foam for floatation and the appropriate size for the sailor, at all times while launching boats, on the floats, and on the water, except for brief periods of time while adding or removing clothing. RRS 40 is further amended to require that life jackets shall have a whistle attached.
- 1.3. By participating in this regatta, a competitor (and each parent/guardian if the competitor is under 18) grants to the OA, US Sailing, their sponsors and the organizing authority 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 and other reproductions of him or her during the period of the competition without compensation.

2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- **2.1 Classes**: International Optimist Dinghy Green fleet for novices only, White, Blue, and Red fleets, and Club 420's. The OA reserves the right to limit the number of registrations to 50 for each of the Opti Green, and Champ lines, and 40 on the 420 line.
- **2.2** Age: Applicants for all classes must not turn 18 years old* in the year of the event. Optimist class age rules apply.
- **2.3 US Sailing membership:** Membership in US Sailing is not required, but recommended for each competitor, or family (helmsman and crew for double-handed classes). Sailors can join online at www.ussailing.org/membership.
- **2.4 Green Regatta-** This regatta is a Sailors for the Sea "Clean Regatta." All competitors are encouraged to use nonsingle use water bottles and recycle all appropriate items. Competitors are reminded of Rule 55 which states that competitors "shall not intentionally put trash in the water."

BOATS/MEASUREMENT

- **2.1.** Boat class *Club 420* with crew of two including helmsman, will be used. No crew substitutions without prior written approval of the OA. Boat class *Optimist* with a crew of one including helmsman will be used.
- **2.2.** Competitors are required to bring their own boats.
- **2.3.** There are no boats available for charter.
- **2.4.** All boats must have a floating bowline of appropriate length.
- **2.5.** Each competitor will be responsible for their boats being in compliance with the class rules.
- **3. FEES -** The entry fee for all classes is \$100 per competitor. Late entry fee \$150 after July 1st. The entry fee includes lunches on Thursday and Friday, and dinner and entertainment on Thursday night, a regatta T-shirt and trophies.

4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, 7/7 Boat drop off, Late Registration & Check-in at HYC: 5-8pm

Thursday, 7/8 Race Day #1;

Late Check-in**0800-0900Coaches Meeting :0900Competitors, Coaches, and Parents Meeting:0915Harbor Start:1000

First Warning Signal: as determined by the PRO for each line

Lunch on the water

Competitor and Parent Entertainment: After Racing

Friday, 7/9 Race Day #2

Coaches Meeting: 0900 Competitors Meeting: 0915 Harbor Start: 1000

First Warning Signal: as determined by the PRO for each line

Lunch on the water

No warning signal after this time: 1500

Awards presentation: After Racing

The Green Fleet schedule will be the same through the Competitors Meeting at which point a second, separate meeting for Green Fleet sailors may be conducted and the remainder of the schedule for that fleet will be announced.

**This is late check-in only. No new registrations will be accepted after 8:00PM on Wednesday, July 7th.

- **5. REGISTRATION** Competitors shall register in advance by registering online at Regattaman.com. Registration deadline is July 1, 2021 in order to be considered on time. A late fee of \$50 applies thereafter. Registration closes on July 7th, or whenever event participation reaches capacity, whichever comes first.
- **6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS -** The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available online at: www.regattaman.com
- 7. SCORING There will be no maximum number of races. The RC will start as many races as practical. The Low Point scoring system, RRS Appendix A, will apply, modified so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, with her worst score (other than a disqualification for violation of RRS 2 or RRS 42) discarded if more than five races are completed. Seven races are scheduled, of which one race shall be completed to constitute a series.
- **8. COACHES** Coaches are asked to register. All coach boats shall register with the OA. Each coach boat shall have a working VHF radio. All coaches that register at check-in with their club name, the racing area(s) they are responsible for, and their cell phone numbers, will be eligible for the daily sailor lunch. The conduct of registered coach, support boats, and all other boats, including spectator boats, shall be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the Sailing Instructions.
- 9. LOGISTICS The Hingham Yacht Club facilities, Hingham North Beach, Hingham Public launch area, and Foster School parking lot will be available for spectators, launching, storage of boats and trailers, etc. The Hingham public launch area in the inner harbor on Rte. 3A is available for launching coach boats, 420's and Optimist's arriving by vehicle/trailer. Optis may be launched and stored overnight at HYC. 420's may be launched and stored on North Beach. Tide is a factor at the public launch area. 2 hours either side of high tide is optimal. Make sure all Opti's and 420's have good bowlines for towing if needed. Charts showing the starting area's will be in the SI's. HYC will

make an effort to provide moorings and dock space for those who need overnight storage, but space is limited. The Racing area is Hingham Bay. A chart will be available in the SI's. No housing is available for the HBJR.

10. DISCIPLINE

- 10.1. Per US Sailing Regulation 10.03 no participant or competitor shall use or possess, either on or off the water:

 1) marijuana or any other substance if possession is illegal under state or federal law; or 2) any alcoholic beverages. This regulation is in effect from date and time of arrival through date and time of departure from the venue. 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 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 good manners, a breach of good sportsmanship, unethical behavior or conduct that may bring 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.

11. PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded to competitors placing first through third in each division. For the Club 420 fleets, trophies will be awarded to skipper and crew. Green Fleet medals will be awarded to all Green Fleet participants. There will be some special awards for various categories as determined by the OA.

12. FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact **Ted Matthews** (617-312-7200; ted matthews@icloud.com) or **Monica Matthews** (617-680-3766; m5matthews@yahoo.com) and check the Hingham Yacht Club website at www.hinghamyachtclub.com or the event website at www.regattaman.com for further information.

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Disclaimer of Liability

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.
