

NOTICE OF RACE
Opti & 420
Green Fleet Regatta For First Time Racers
July 9, 2024

The organizing authority is the Manchester Sailing Association in conjunction with the Manchester Yacht Club

1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Optimist Class rules, the Club 420 Class rules, and this Notice of Race, except in the event that any of the above are modified by the Sailing Instructions and the appendices to the Sailing Instructions.

2. Changes to the Racing Rules

2.1 RRS 40 (Personal Buoyancy) will be changed by adding: “Competitors must wear a Coast Guard approved PFD at all times when on the water.”

2.2 Coaching: Green Fleet Policies apply - Coaching will be allowed in the bottom half of the fleet during all races. Coaching is MORE than permitted. It is requested and required. On the water coaching is a great way to help these new sailors learn.

3. Eligibility

3.1 The Regatta is open to:

3.1a All boats of the International Optimist Dinghy Class which conform to IODA Class Rules. All competitors must be members of the US Optimist Dinghy Association.

3.1b All boats of the Club 420 Dinghy Class which conform to Club 420 Class Rules.

3.2 Green Fleet Policies apply.

3.3 Racers who participated in Green Fleet regattas during the previous sailing season are *not* eligible.

4. Classes

4.1 Optimist (Green Fleet Only)-Competitors must bring their own boats and are encouraged to bring their own dollies if they travel to tucks Point by land.

4.2 Club 420 (Green Fleet Only)-Competitors must bring their own boats and are encouraged to bring their own dollies if they travel to tucks Point by land.

4.2a The Club 420 Green fleet will use spinnakers, weather permitting. The race committee may specify no spinnakers based on sailing conditions.

5. Fees

5.1 The entry fee is \$49 **per sailor**.

5.2 There will be no refunds.

6. Schedule –will be weather and tide dependent:

900-10:00 Arrival & Check-in

1030 Skippers Meeting, SNACK to follow on shore

1130 Launch/Harbor Start

1500 No races begun after

1530 LUNCH and Awards

7. Entry Deadlines

7.1 All skippers must complete the on-line regatta entry form (including the Emergency Medical Form for each participant) and submit it with appropriate fees by **July 8th, 2024** or receive oral permission for late entry by calling **339.205.5824**.

7.2 **No more than 35 boats per fleet will be accepted.**

8. Check -In and Registration

8.1 Check-in will be held at the Manchester Yacht Club on July 9th from 9:00 -10:00.

8.2 Registration deadline is 12:01 am on July 9th, 2024

8.3 All competitors must check in to be scored.

8.4 **ABSOLUTELY NO BOATS** may be dropped off before 8:30 a.m. on July 9th, 2024.

9. Skipper's Meeting

9.1 The skipper's meeting will be held at 10:30 on July 9th on the Manchester Yacht Club porch.

10. Prizes

10.1 Regatta awards will be given for first through fifth place.

11. Sailing Instructions

11.1 Sailing instructions will be available at check-in.

12. Courses

12.1 Courses will be described in the sailing instructions.

13. Scoring

13.1 The Low -Point System will apply.

13.2 Two races shall constitute a regatta.

13.3 If five or more races are completed a boat may exclude the worst score.

13.4 Special scoring may apply to championships.

14. Information

Todd Cooper at **339.205.5824**; or visit the MSA web site at www.manchestersailing.org

On-line REGISTRATION:

http://www.regattaman.com/jr_reg1.php?race_id=918&yr=2024&op=select