

2019 USA Junior Olympic Sailing Festival December 7-8

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US SAILING Center • Martin County 1955 NE Indian River Drive, Jensen Beach, FL

1. Organizing Authority & Host

1.1 US SAILING Center of Martin County (USSCMC)

2. Rules

- 2.1 This regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 2.2 By participating in this regatta, a competitor grants to the Organizing Authority 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 and other reproductions of him or her during the period of the competition without compensation.

3. Eligibility & Entry

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist, Club 420, *Open Skiff, 29er classes*.
- 3.2 Eligible crews may be entered by completing an entry form, registering with the organizing authority and paying the entry fee.
- 3.3 Membership in US SAILING is required for each competitor (helmsman and crew for double-handed classes). Your membership number will be required to complete your online registration. Sailors can join at a discounted rate through the USSCMC / US SAILING Member Value Partner program online at https://wwwl.ussailing.org/membership/MPP/Default.aspx?ycid=207442S
- 3.4 Each competitor shall indicate in writing at Check-In the parent or adult representative that will be responsible for the competitor throughout the event.

4. Registration & Fees

- 4.1 Registration and entry fees must be received at USSCMC no later than Friday, November 22, 2019 to avoid late fee. The entry fee for singlehanded boats is \$90/boat; double-handed boats are \$130/boat. Early registration for this event is highly recommended. Fees include t-shirts, lunch on the water, Raffle and a cookout of hamburgers and hot dogs after sailing on Saturday. **Registration fees are non-refundable.**
- 4.2 All registrations received from November 23-December 3, 2019 will be charged an additional \$30 late fee. Registration will be closed at 2300 on December 3, 2019.
- 4.3 Late registration may cause a competitor to not receive a dolly parking spot for rigging near the rest of their team. The USSCMC will group dolly & sailboat parking spots according to coaches and or clubs. Spots will be assigned to all registrants by December 1; anyone registering after this date will most likely not be assigned a spot near their coach or club. Parking assignments will be available one day prior to the event at <u>www.usscmc.org</u> on the "Upcoming Regattas" webpage.
- 4.4 An event T-shirt is included with each registration.
- 4.5 A lodging questionnaire will be a required document at check-in. This form will be made available online at <u>www.usscmc.org</u> on the "Upcoming Regattas" webpage and at check-in.
- 4.6 Entry forms may be submitted online through Club Spot and will be linked through the Upcoming Regattas page at www.usscmc.org.
- 4.7 Early Check-in will be held on Friday December 6 from 1600-1800. On site check-in will be held on Saturday, December 7, 2019 from 0800-1000 hrs.



5. Format of the Regatta

- 5.1 The Red, White and Blue Fleet will be divided into divisions depending on the number of entries. There will also be a Green Fleet.
- 5.2 The Red, White and Blue Fleet will race in 'sets' of races. A 'set' is a group of scored races in which all divisions compete.
- 5.3 Division assignments are for the entire regatta and will be determined by the Race Committee.

6. Schedule of Events

6.1

Friday December 6	1600-1800	Early Check-in
Saturday December 7	0800	Continental Breakfast
	0800-1000	Check-in
	1000	Competitors' Meeting (except Green Fleet)
	1030	Green Fleet Competitor's Meeting
	1130	First Warning Signal - All Fleets
	1700	"Hit the Beach" Cook-out
Sunday December 8	0800	Continental Breakfast
	0900	Green Fleet Competitor's Meeting
	0930	First Warning Signal (except Green Fleet)
	1000	First Warning – Green Fleet
	1430	No Warning Signal after 2:30pm
		Awards Ceremony after Racing

7. Sailing Instructions

7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available at check-in and posted on the Official Notice Board.

7.2 There will be separate Sailing Instructions for Green Fleet.

8. Courses

8.1 Courses will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.

9. Scoring

- 9.1 One 'set' of races is required to be completed to constitute a regatta in the Red, White and Blue Fleet. One completed race shall constitute the regatta for all other fleets.
- 9.2 The process for removing a worst score will be specified in the SI's.

10. Prizes

10.1 Awards will be given to the top five finishers in the R/W/B Optimist Divisions; all Green Fleet competitors will receive participation awards. Awards will be given for the top three finishers in each class of C420, Open Skiff and 29er.

11. Safety

11.1 All competitors shall wear U.S. Coast Guard approved life jackets, or a life jacket approved by the country of their citizenship or residence, at all times while on the water. Failure to do so will result in a protest by the Race Committee and may result in disqualification.

12. Adult Responsibility and Competitors' Safety

- 12.1 In addition to the requirements of RRS 4, an adult (parent, guardian or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of their sailor. It is the responsibility of this adult to decide if the sailor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. The adults supervising the competitors are ultimately responsible for the risks and shall attend all Competitors' Meetings on the upper deck and shall be able to check the Official Notice Board for any safety notices.
- 12.2 Parents not personally attending any part of the event shall ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their sailor.

- 12.3 Each competitor shall indicate in writing at Check-In the parent or adult representative that will be responsible for the competitor throughout the event.
- 12.4 The designated adult shall accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes onshore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

13. Coach and Support Boats

- 13.1 All coach and support boats shall register and prominently fly a designated flag from a staff at all times while on the water.
- 13.2 Flags will be available at the south end of the check-in room. A security deposit is required for use of a flag. Deposit will be returned at the conclusion of the event once the flag is returned.

14. Disclaimer of Liability

14.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

15. Charter Boats

15.1 Please use this <u>link</u> to see charter options for coach boats, Optis, 420s, and *Open Skiff*.

16. Local Accommodations

16.1 Please consider supporting those who support the USSCMC. The following hotels support our Regatta Season and are offering special Regatta Rates:

Hutchinson Shores Resort www.hutchinsonshores.com	877-502-4653 Discount Code: USSAIL
Hampton Inn & Suites Stuart – North <u>Hampton Inn & Suites Stuart-North</u>	772-692-6922
Holiday Inn Port St. Lucie <u>HolidayInnPSL</u>	772-337-2200 or 800-459-5044
Courtyard Marriott Oceanside Courtyard reservations	772-229-1000 / 877-905-4501
RV Camping - Ocean Breeze Resort <u>www.sunrvresorts.com</u>	772-334-2494 (Make reservations well in advance)

17. Contact Information

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