



## 2019 C420 MID ATLANTIC CHAMPIONSHIP

October 19-20, 2019

Organizing Authority (OA): Big Blue Sailing Academy  
in conjunction with the Club 420 Association, Inc.

### NOTICE OF RACE

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the *Racing Rules of Sailing*, the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (US Sailing) and the rules and By-Laws of the Club 420 Class Association.

#### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to boats meeting the requirements of the Club 420 class rules.
- 2.2. All competitors (both skipper and crew) must be current members of the Club 420 Association.
- 2.3. Individuals who will be twenty-two years or older in 2019 are not eligible to compete in this regatta.
- 2.4. Eligible boats may only enter by completing the online entry form and paying the entry fee before October 12, 2019 located at <https://theclubspot.com/register/regatta/RxB1gPBCSL/class>
- 2.5. All competitors must sign a "Release of Liability" form located on the event website to participate in the regatta. Those competitors under the age of 18 must have their "Release of Liability" form signed by a parent or guardian.
- 2.6. No registration will be considered complete until all fees, required forms and signatures are received.

#### 3. FEES

- 3.1. The entry fee is \$210.00 if received on or before September 30, 2019.
- 3.2. Entry fees are non-refundable on or after October 12, 2019. All refunds are subject to a 3% administrative fee.
- 3.3. A late fee of \$25.00 will be assessed for any entries received on or after 1700 on October 1, 2019.

#### 4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. Competitors may arrive at Old Dominion Sailing Center no earlier than October 18, 2019.

Friday, October 18

1200-1800 Check in at ODU Sailing Center

Saturday, October 19

0800 Late check-in at ODU Sailing Center

0900 Competitors' Meeting

0930 Harbor Start

1030 First Warning

Lunch on water

After racing BBQ at the ODU Sailing Center

Sunday, October 20

0900 Coaches Briefing

0930 Harbor Start

1200 First Warning

1500 No warning after this time

After racing Awards on lawn immediately following racing

- 4.2. Eight races are scheduled.
- 4.3. The race committee may run up to four races per day provided that they do not get more than one race ahead of schedule.

#### 5. MEASUREMENT



5.1. Every skipper must complete and submit a signed [Inspection Checklist](#) prior to participation in the regatta at check-in. These forms will also be available at the check-in desk.

5.2. All boats are subject to safety inspection at any time during the regatta.

## 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at check in and on the event website.

## 7. VENUE

7.1. The intended racing area will be the mouth of the Lafayette River.

7.2. Attachment A shows the approximate location of the racing areas.

## 8. COURSES

Trapezoid or windward leeward courses will be run and will be published in the Sailing Instructions.

## 9. SCORING

9.1. The Low-Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A, will be used.

9.2. One race must be completed to constitute a regatta. If the fleet is split into divisions, a race consists of all divisions completing a course with results that may be scored. This changes A2.

9.3. If more than 60 boats are registered, the fleet may be divided into divisions.

9.4. When four or less races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

9.5. When five or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS A2.

9.6. If the Fleet is divided into divisions, there will be a Qualifying Round and a Medal Round attempted. If fewer than five races have been completed before the start of competition on the last race day, then the regatta will remain in the Qualifying Round format. If five or more races have been completed in the Qualifying Round before the start of the last day, there will be a Medal Round.

9.7. Scores from the Qualifying Round will carry forward into the Medal Round.

## 10. SAFETY

10.1. Parents/guardians/or competitors 18 or over at the time of the start of the event are responsible for the safety of the competitors. It is the responsibility solely of the parent(s) of the competitor, or in the instance of the competitor who is 18 or over, the competitor, to decide if the competitor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. Parents of competitors under 18 not personally attending any part of the event must ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their child.

10.2. All competitors shall wear either a US Coast Guard approved Type III PFD, or a PFD approved by the country of their citizenship or residence, properly secured at all times, from dock to dock except when temporarily adding or removing clothing. Wet suits, dry suits and inflatable PFD's do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy. The 'Y' flag will not be flown. This changes RRS 40 and the preamble to Part 4.

## 11. COACH AND SPECTATOR BOATS (SUPPORT BOATS)

11.1. All coach and spectator boats must register before racing begins.

11.2. All coach and spectator boats are considered safety boats and at the direction of the OA or race committee, and will render aid if requested.

## 12. PRIZES

12.1. Prizes will be awarded to first place through third place.

12.2. The top placing Junior team in which both skipper and crew are under 17 throughout 2019.

## 13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this regatta participate entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (OA, Ratings Authority, Race Committee, Protest Committee, host venue, sponsors, the Club 420 Association 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 race. By participating in this



regatta, 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.

**14. OTHER REQUIREMENTS**

- 14.1. If a competitor under the age of 18 is not accompanied by a parent or legal guardian during all activities of the regatta, then the parent or legal guardian shall name a "Designated Adult" of 18 years or older, through entry in the online registration process and shall be present at all times in their absence and who will supervise the minor competitor at all times to assure his/her safety. This Designated Adult will accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.
- 14.2. For each competitor under 18, it is the competitor's parents, legal guardian or Designated Adult's decision to enter the regatta and to start or continue any race. The adult(s) supervising the competitors are ultimately responsible for the risks.
- 14.3. A competitor age 18 or older retains all responsibilities for himself or herself.
- 14.4. No contestant shall use, either on or off the water, alcoholic beverages (beer, wine or distilled spirits) or use any controlled substance (marijuana, cocaine, etc.) the possession of which is unlawful. This prohibition is in effect during the entire event, from date and time of arrival through date and time of departure from the Big Blue Sailing Academy. Penalties for a violation of the prohibition may range from a reprimand to dismissal from the regatta. A hearing may be held in accordance with the RRS.

**15. FURTHER INFORMATION**

Regatta Chairs:

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Physical Addresses:

**ODU Sailing Center (420 launching)**

4551 Powhatan Ave  
Norfolk, VA 23529  
747-683-3387

**Norfolk Yacht & Country Club (coach/support boat dockage)**

7001 Hampton Blvd  
Norfolk, VA 23505  
757-423-4500

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## ATTACHEMENT A - VENUE



### BOAT & TRAILER STORAGE

- All sailboat and motorboat trailers will be stored at Lot 43, Sailing Center Parking lot.
- Safety boats will be stored overnight at Norfolk Yacht and Country Club.

### LODGING INFORMATION

- Spring Hill Suites 4500 Hampton Blvd, Norfolk, VA 23508

