



2020 C420 Midwinter CHAMPIONSHIP

February 15-17, 2020

Organizing Authority (OA): US Sailing Center Martin County
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 Association.
- 1.2. RRS Appendix P will not apply.

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 2020 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 February 12, 2020 located at <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/h4Xdkpdeb>. All competitors must sign a "Release of Liability" ASSUMPTION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISKS, RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT provided electronically when registering through Clubspot. Those competitors under the age of 18 must have their "Release of Liability" form signed by a parent or guardian.
- 2.5. No registration will be considered complete until all fees, required forms and signatures are received.

3. FEES

- 3.1. The entry fee is \$285 if received on or before Monday, January 13, 2020.
- 3.2. Entry fees are non-refundable on or after Monday, January 13, 2020 All refunds are subject to a 3% administrative fee.
- 3.3. A late fee of \$50 will be assessed for any entries received on or after 0100 on Tuesday, January 14, 2020.
- 3.4. The entry fee includes continental breakfast, event t-shirt, a burger cookout, and pizza night.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. Competitors may arrive at the USSCMC for practice and free access to the Sailing Center grounds and facilities up to 7 days in advance of the first day of racing.

4.2. DATE	TIME	EVENT
Friday, Feb 14	1600-1900	Check in
Saturday, Feb 15	0800-0830	Late Travelers Check in
	0900	Competitors' Meeting
	0930	Harbor Start
	1100	First Warning
	<i>After racing</i>	Cookout at USSCMC
Sunday, Feb 16	0830	Harbor Start
	1000	First Warning
	<i>After racing</i>	Pizza Dinner at USSCMC
Monday, Feb 17	0830	Harbor Start
	1000	First Warning
	1430	No warning after this time
	<i>After racing</i>	<i>Social & Awards on deck</i>

- 4.3. 10 races are scheduled.
- 4.4. 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 East of the USSCMC on the Indian River Lagoon North of the Jensen Beach Bridge.

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

8. COURSES

A Trapezoid course 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 80 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 competitors, 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 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 and must always prominently fly a designated flag provided by the OA while in the water.

11.2. Coach (and spectator if enough flags available) boats are required to register online through Clubspot and pay a \$20 deposit for a support boat flag. Failure to return the flag at the end of the regatta will result in forfeiture of the deposit.

11.3. 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 10th place.

12.2. The top three placing Junior teams in which both skipper and crew are under 17 throughout 2020.

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 club, 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 St. Francis Yacht Club. 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. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION BELOW

EXHIBIT A - Inspection Form

Club 420 Association Inspection List

This Inspection List is not intended to replace or supplant the Class Rules of the Club 420 Association. In the event of conflict between this Inspection List and the Class Rules of Club 420 Association the latter shall govern.

Skipper Name: _____

Sail Number: _____

Inspection Item Check mark means "YES"

1. The Skipper represents that he or she has not made any addition or alteration to the hull form, construction, equipment, type of equipment, placing of equipment, fittings, type of fittings, placing of fittings, spars, standing rigging, sails, battens and running rigging as supplied by a Builder except as allowed by the Class Rules. (Rule A.1.1) _____
2. 40 ft **Towline**, 3/8 inch in diameter, that floats, and is tied to the mast or bow shackle. The towingline shall be accessible on the deck within 6 inches of the bow stem at all times, including when capsized. Tape or velcro may be used to help secure the towing line to the bow deck or stem. (Rule C.4.3) ____
- 3A. If US Citizen or US resident: a **US Coast Guard approved PFD** will be used at all times while afloat. (Rule C.3.5) _
- 3B. If **Non-US Citizen** or non-US resident: a PFD approved by USCG or the country of competitor's citizenship or residence will be used at all times while afloat. (Rule C.3.5) _____
4. **Whistle** attached to PFD by lanyard long enough for competitor to use. (Rule C.3.6) _____
5. Boat has a line to keep **rudder** connected to boat in event of capsize or turtle. (Rule C.4.4) _____
6. Forestay (including any extensions which must be metal) is short enough to hold the front edge of the mast forward of the aft face of the mast partner when the jib halyard is released. (C.4.5) _____
7. Trapeze system, in addition to trapeze wire, has only one cleat, one or two sheaves, one handle and one ring on each side. (C.8.6) _____
8. Mainsail, jib and spinnaker were manufactured by the official Class Sailmaker and have the official Class patch. (C.9.0) __
9. If electronic, only a compass with heading, heading memory, and timing functions is permitted. Other electronic devices except a digital timing device, electronic compass, and a camera are not permitted to be carried on board while racing unless allowed in the NOR. (Rule C.3.8) _____
10. Skipper and Crew are current members of the Club 420 Class Association. (Rule C.3.0) _____

I affirm that I am the skipper of C420 with Sail # _____, entered in the _____ Club 420 Assn. Championship and that I have carefully reviewed this list, and by placing a check next to each item understand that I am representing to the Race Committee that I and my crew are in compliance with the requirements of the Class Rules.

Skipper Signature: _____

Date: _____



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ATTACHEMENT A - VENUE

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Google Maps

Google Maps US Sailing Center Martin County & C420 Midwinter Championship Course Location



https://www.google.com/maps/@37.3421465,-80.200834,13z

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (NOT PART OF THE NOR)

BOAT & TRAILER STORAGE

- Starting February 14, 12 PM, Boats on trailers with vehicles attached to trailers may park at the adjacent boat ramp during the regatta. All boats and trails must be removed by sunset on Monday, February 17.
- After sunset on February 17, trailers needing a few additional days of storage may be left on the west lawn of the USSCMC with prior approval from USSCMC office.
- Any boat or trailer wishing to arrive early will need to make storage arrangements elsewhere. Contact the USSCMC office to inquire of any updated information.

LODGING INFORMAITON

- Holiday Inn Port St. Lucie: 772-337-2200 or 800-459-5044
- Courtyard Marriott Oceanside Hutchinson Island: 772-229-1000 or 877-905-4501
- RV Camping is available at Ocean Breeze Resort 772-334-2494 (Make reservations well in advance)

BOAT CHARTERS

ZIM Sailing

Carson Gutowski

charters@zimsailing.com

401-237-6117

USSCMC Private Charters

9 Boats available online at registration

\$450 per boat (3-day regatta)

Bring your own sails

Boats are from the USSCMC club fleet so they are less than "regatta perfect"

