



2019 CLUB 420 UNITED STATES NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA

July 22–24, 2018 – Sail Newport – Newport, RI

1 - ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

1.1 The organizing authority (OA) is Sail Newport, in conjunction with the Club 420 Association. The event website is:

[2019 C420 Nationals on ClubSpot](#)

2 – RULES

2.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (US Sailing), the rules and By-Laws of the Club 420 Association and this Notice of Race, except as any of these are changed by the Sailing Instructions or any appendices to the Sailing Instructions.

2.2 RRS Appendix P will apply. P 2.2 and 2.3 are deleted.

2.3 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 Sail Newport. 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.

3 - VENUE

3.1 The racing area will be north of the Pell Bridge in Potter Cove.

3.2 Boats competing in the regatta will be stored overnight at Sail Newport in Fort Adams State Park in the large field to the south of the Old Sail Newport Building at 60 Fort Adams Drive.

3.3 Families and spectators are welcome at Sail Newport while the competitors are on shore. The racing area is not visible from the club and we do not have facilities to accommodate families and spectators in addition to running our regular sailing programs. In support of our younger sailors in our junior sailing programs, we ask that you depart the property after harbor start and welcome you back when your sailors return. We will try to accommodate special requests.

3.4 Parking is in those designated areas (on diagram on the web site) and trailer storage will be provided nearby within walking distance to Sail Newport.



4 – ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1** The regatta is open only to boats meeting the requirements of the Club 420 class.
- 4.2** Competitors (Both skipper and Crew) must be current members of the Club 420 Association.
- 4.3** Individuals who will be twenty-two years old or older in 2019 are not eligible to compete in this regatta.
- 4.4** A Junior Division will be scored to be eligible both skipper and crew are under 17 throughout 2019.

5 – REGISTRATION AND ENTRY FEE

- 5.1** Registration for this regatta may only be completed on-line at:

[2019 C420 Nationals on ClubSpot](#)

- 5.2** The entry fee is \$275 per boat for registrations that are paid before 1700 on July 8, 2019. Entries will be limited to the first 175 boats fully registered. In the event of a withdrawal prior to 1700 on July 21, the first boat on the wait list will be allowed to register.

The entry fee is \$300 per boat for registrations that are paid after 1700 on July 3, 2019, but before 1700 on July 15, 2019.

The entry fee is \$325 for registrations paid after 1700 on July 15, 2018 but before 1700 on July 21, 2019. No registrations will be accepted after 1200 on July 21, 2019.

- 5.3** The entry fee includes a regatta t-shirt (or 10.00 voucher at Coral Reef Sailing Apparel's booth), post-race snacks, dinner one evening and last day Pizza or BBQ at Awards ceremony after racing.

- 5.4** All competitors under the age of 18 must submit a Release of Liability form signed by a parent or guardian prior to participation in the Regatta. These forms are available from the event website and should be brought to the venue and presented at registration.

- 5.5** Every skipper must complete and submit a signed, Inspection Checklist form prior to participation in the Regatta. These forms are available on the Club 420 Association Website: [C420 Inspection List](#) and at the end of these NOR's, please print and fill out and bring to registration.

- 5.6** No registration will be considered complete until all fees, required forms and signatures are received. No refund of registration fees will be possible after 1700 July 17th, 2019.

6 – SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND COURSES

- 6.1** The Sailing Instructions will be available at the Pre-Regatta Registration/Check-In, and may be available before the regatta on the event website.



6.2 The courses for the regatta will be published in the Sailing Instructions.

7 - SAIL NUMBERS AND PROTESTS

7.1 All boats must have a unique sail number that must match the sail number on their entry form. Boats having duplicate sail numbers or sail numbers that do not match the sail number on the entry form will be informed and will be scored DNC without a hearing. This changes RRS A5 and G4. Boats may amend the sail number on their entry form in writing to the organizing authority at least one hour before the harbor start, but will not be re-scored in any race that has already been completed.

7.2 A competitor who wishes to file a protest must inform the start boat or the finish boat of their protest as soon as possible after finishing and no later than the start of the next race.

8 – FORMAT OF THE REGATTA AND SCORING

8.1 If more than 80 boats are registered, the fleet may be divided into divisions.

8.2 The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A will apply as modified below.

8.3 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.

8.4 There will be a maximum of 12 races sailed.

8.5 When five or more races have been completed, a boat's score shall be the total of her individual race scores, excluding her worst score.

8.6 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 third race day, then the regatta will remain in the Qualifying Round format. If five or more races have been completed in the Qualifying Round, there will be a Medal Round on the third race day.

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

9 - SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Competitors may arrive at Sail Newport beginning at 1000 hours on Saturday, July 20, 2019.

Saturday July 20

1600-1800 Regatta Check-in Only (no Coach / Spectator flags available)

Sunday July 21

1200 Online registration closes

1200–1800 Regatta Check-In, Obtain Coach and Spectators Flags



Monday July 22

0900 Coaches Meeting at New Sail Newport Building

0930 Harbor Start

1030 First warning Signal

Tuesday July 23

0930 Harbor Start

1030 First warning Signal

Pizza or BBQ at the Mule Barn after racing

Wednesday July 24

0930 Harbor Start

1030 First warning Signal

No warning signal after 1430

Pizza or BBQ and Awards as soon as possible after racing at the Mule Barn

10 - ARRIVAL AND LAUNCHING

10.1 On Site trailer storage will be available at no cost in the South Lot seen on the site diagram.

10.2 Car parking is in the South Lot as seen on the site diagram.

10.3 Coach and spectator boat launching and hauling is permitted during the regatta at deep water ramp in Fort Adams State Park- as seen on the site diagram.

11 – SAFETY

11.1 Competitors who are US citizens or US residents must wear a US Coast Guard approved personal flotation device (PFD), properly secured at all times, from dock to dock except when temporarily adding or removing clothing. Competitors who are citizens or residents of another country 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.



11.2 A whistle shall be attached by a lanyard to the PFD. The lanyard shall be long enough to permit the sailor to use the whistle while wearing the PFD. Competitors not complying with this instruction shall be given a penalty of five (5) points for each race in which they have failed to observe this instruction.

11.3 Safety inspections will be performed for all boats entered and all skippers will be required to complete a copy of the Club 420 Association Inspection List.

11.4 All coach boats are considered Safety boats and will at the direction of the OA or Race Committee render aid.

12 – RISK, RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY

12.1 Participants compete entirely at their own risk. Each competitor must complete and submit a “RELEASE OF LIABILITY FORM” before they may leave shore and participate in the regatta. The form must be signed by the competitor and also by their parent/legal guardian/Designated Adult if the competitor is a minor. The form is available on the event website and will be available at registration.

12.2 Parents or legal guardian of competitors under the age of eighteen (18) not personally attending any part of the event shall ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their child. The “Designated Adult” person 18 years of age or older, who shall be present at all times in their absence and who will supervise the minor competitor at all times to assure his/her safety. The Designated Adult will accept full responsibility for all actions of the minor competitor during any activity related to the regatta. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the event.

12.3 It is the parent's, legal guardian's or Designated Adult's decision for any minor competitor to enter the regatta, to leave shore for the day's racing, to start or finish any race in the sea and weather conditions that arise, or to return to shore without parental escort. The parent, legal guardian or Designated Adult of each minor competitor is responsible for the safety of their minor competitor and accepts full responsibility for the risks involved in participating in the regatta or in any activities related to the event before, during, and after the regatta, including both on-shore and on-the-water activities.

12.4 A competitor age 18 or older retains all of the responsibilities for himself or herself (See RRS 4, Decision to Race).

13 – Prizes

Overall: 1st place through 10th place.

Top Juniors: 1st place (both skipper and crew are under 17 throughout 2019).

14 – COACH BOATS AND SUPPORT BOATS

14.1 Coach/Spectator boats must register prior to the first competitors’ meeting on the first day of racing with Organizing Authority. Boats will be provided with a flag and assigned number, a \$20 deposit



will be required. 14.2 Coach/Spectator boats shall carry a working VHF radio and monitor the Race Committee Channel.

14.3 Failure to return the flag at the end of the regatta will result in loss of the \$20 deposit.

14.4 Coaching boats and spectator boats may be launched at the deep water ramp in Fort Adams State Park.

14.5 Dockage will be provided to coach and support boats with a length not to exceed 19ft. Dockage will require boats to raft up together in the Alofsin Piers which can be seen on our site diagram.

15 – LODGING

It is strongly recommended that competitors make lodging reservations as early as possible. For a comprehensive list of local accommodations, please visit Discovernewport.org.

16 – Charters

Contact: Sturgis Boat Works, Contact Tristan Story at
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OR

Zim Sailing, Contact- Carson Turowski at charters@zimsailing.com
401-237-6117 <http://www.zimsailing.com/charters/>

17 – For additional information:

Regatta Chair – Matt Duggan (774)-313-9578 or Matt.Duggan@SailNewport.org

Principal Race Officer – Chip Till (843) 556-6554 or ChipTill5351@gmail.com

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