

2016 BUZZARDS BAY 420 CHAMPIONSHIP

NOTICE OF RACE

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Organizing Authority: Community Boating Center of New Bedford

Racing Venue: Fort Taber, New Bedford MA

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. Arbitration may be used to resolve protests. If so, Appendix T, section D will apply. Other sections of Appendix T may also be applied by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3. Rule Appendix P will apply except that P2.2 and 2.3 are deleted. This changes Appendix P.
- 1.4. Rule T1 will apply

2. Eligibility

- 2.1. Boats of the following classes are eligible to enter:
 - > Club 420
 - > i420; may be limited to 30 boats
- 2.2.. Each skipper shall be a current member of the C420 class. All competitors (skippers and crew) in the Club 420, and i420, shall be at least 14 years old by August 5, 2016 (born on or before August 1, 2002).
- 2.4 Any competitor (skipper or crew) who will be under 18 years of age at any time during the regatta shall provide a release for medical care signed by a parent or guardian.
- 2.5, 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 (Host). Penalties for a violation of the prohibition may range from a reprimand to dismissal from the regatta. A hearing will be held generally in accordance with the recommendations of Appendix M of the Racing Rules. The hearing officers may also recommend further action under Rule 69. The officers for a hearing regarding a violation of this prohibition will consist of the Chief Judge, acting as chairperson of the hearing and the Jury
- 2.6 Entries will be accepted in the order that complete entry forms and fees are received. Blocks of entries may be reserved by invited southern New England clubs. **If completed entries, including entry fees, for these reserved Club 420 are not received by July 3, the reservations will be cancelled.** In the event that the class has to start a wait list, incomplete registrants will be contacted to complete their applications. If after a period of time specified by the communication with the registrants, not to exceed one (1) week, the applications are still not complete, the entry will be removed from the list to make room for those on the wait list who have completed applications.
- 2.7 Waivers of liability shall be signed and submitted by fax, electronic upload (see NOR 12) or signed at check-in (see NOR 5) in order for the sailors to be eligible to sail.

2.8 Advance entry, including the payment of the entry fee, is online only at <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=2782> **NEED WEBSITE**; see NOR 5 for opening and closing dates.

2.9 Club 420s and i420s shall, before checking in, present their numbered sails to a regatta representative in the launching area, receive a signed sail number verification form, and present that form at check-in during one of the times listed in NOR 5. See NOR 7.4.

2.10 An entry is not complete until a representative of each boat (or team) has checked in during one of the times listed in NOR 5 and completed and turned in a c420 Corinthian safety check in sheet

3 Sailing Instruction Availability

3.7 Preliminary Sailing Instructions will be available online and final Sailing Instructions will be available at check-in.

4 Entry Fees

4.7 Entry fees for entries **received with the fee** by Sunday, July 24, are:

\$175 for Club 420 (includes water and two tee shirt vouchers)

\$175 for i420 (includes water and two tee shirt vouchers)

4.8 Entries received after Sunday, July 24, shall include an additional late entry fee of \$50.

4.9 Entry fees are non-refundable

5 Schedule

Monday, March 14		Entry Registration Opens Online
Sunday, July 3		Deadline for payment for reserved Club 420 entries
Sunday, July 24		Last day to register without paying late fee
Monday, July 25		Late registration fees begin to apply
Thursday, July 31	1600-2000	On-site check-in & sail number verification (NOR 3.5)
Friday, August 5	0700-0830	On-site check-in and sail number verification (NOR 3.5)
	1030	First Warning signal on each racing area
Saturday, August 6	1030	First Warning signal on each racing area
Sunday, August 7	1030	First Warning signal on each racing area
	1400	420 Fleet – No warning signal for first fleet after this time
	ASAP	Awards Ceremony

6 Racing Areas

The racing areas for boats sailing will be in Buzzards Bay directly off Fort Taber and West of the main shipping channel into New Bedford.

7 Scoring

7.1 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes Rule A2

7.1 One (1) completed race will constitute a series.

7.2 A boat racing with any sail number different from the number on her entry form (or as corrected in writing at check-in) will be scored "DNC" without a hearing. This changes rules 63.1, A5 and G4.

7.3 Competitors can change their sail number with the prior written permission from the race committee.

8 Penalty System

All competitors and support personnel shall comply with the parking, launching and hauling, and support boat regulations, and shall comply with reasonable requests from regatta officials. The protest committee may, at its discretion, assess a penalty after a hearing for breaches of this rule, including dismissal from the event.

9 Prizes

- 9.1 Club 420: Club 420's will receive awards for first through fifth place to skipper and crew.
- 9.2 I 420, prizes will be awarded for first through third places to skipper and crew.

10 Radio Communications

- 10.1 The race committee will use VHF radio for courtesy communications to boats
- 10.2 Radio Communications will not be grounds for redress under Rule 62

11 Disclaimer of Liability

- 11.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.
- 11.2 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.

12 Safety

12.1 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.

12.2 A whistle shall be attached to the PFD by a lanyard. 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.

12.3 All Club 420 boats are subject to a safety/inspection check, **See Exhibit A.**

13 Media

By participating in this regatta, each 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 or other reproductions of him or her made during the period of the regatta without compensation.

14 Contact Information

For further information please contact Community Boating Center:

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ENTRY CHECKLIST (see NOR 5 for deadlines):

- ⇒ Complete the on-line entry form, including sail number and US Sailing membership number.

- ⇒ Pay the entry fee on-line (also required to reserve Club 420 entries), including the late fee if applicable (see NOR 4).
- ⇒ For each competitor under 18, submit by fax or electronic upload, or in person at check-in, a release for medical care (available on the web site) signed by a parent or guardian (see NOR 2.4).
- ⇒ Submit a signed waiver of liability by fax, electronic upload, or in person at check-in (see NOR 3.2).
- ⇒ Present sail(s) for number verification prior to check-in (see NOR 3.4).
- ⇒ Check-in in person (see NOR 3.5).
- ⇒ for the Club 420 an inspection checklist shall be required to be completed and signed by the skipper