

Notice of Race
SailFest Junior Olympic Regatta
April 6th – 8th 2018
Sarasota Youth Sailing

1. Organizing Authority & Host

The regatta is organized under the authority of Sarasota Youth Sailing. The event will be held at the Sarasota Sailing Squadron.

2. Rules

The Junior Olympic Festival will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.

3. Eligibility & Entry

3.1. The regatta is open to the following classes: Optimist Green, O'Pen BIC's, Optimist RWB, C420, Laser Radial, Laser Standard, and Laser 4.7.

3.2. All classes shall sail two days.

3.3. US Sailing membership is required for each competitor (helmsman and crew for doublehanded classes).

4. Registration & Fees

4.1. All Optimists, O'Pen BIC's and Lasers: \$100 if registered by March 25, 2018 or \$125 if registered on or after March 26, 2018. C420 \$150 if registered by March 25, 2018 or \$175 if registered on or after March 26, 2018.

4.2 Registrations received April 6th or 7th will be charged an additional late fee of \$25.00.

4.3 Online Registration is available on Regatta Network. If you register after March 25, 2018 your correct t-shirt size is not guaranteed.

4.4. Sailors will receive 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, Sailors Social and an event T-shirt per registered sailor. Additional T-shirts will be available online and onsite.

5. Schedule of Events

Friday, April 6th

1600-1800 Check-In and Late Registration

Saturday, April 7th

0800-0900 Check-In and Late Registration

0915 Competitors' Briefing

1030 First Warning Signal for All classes except Optimist Green/ O'Pen BIC's

1045 First Warning Signal for Optimist Green/ O'Pen BIC's

Sailors Social after racing

Sunday, April 8th

0930 First Warning Signal for all classes except Optimist Green/ O'Pen BIC's

1000 First Warning Signal for Optimist Green/ O'Pen BIC's

1400 No Warning after this time

Awards to follow

6. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available at check-in.

7. Venue

7.1. Boats will launch from the Sarasota Sailing Squadron and Ken Thompson Park.

7.2. The racing area will be Sarasota Bay.

8. Courses

Courses will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.

9. Scoring

9.1. One race constitutes a regatta.

9.2. If five (5) or more races are sailed, a boat's worst score shall be discarded. This changes RRS A2.

10. Safety

10.1. All competitors are required to wear US Coast Guard approved lifejackets at all times while afloat, except when temporarily adding or removing clothing.

10.2. Parents/guardians are responsible for the safety of all sailors under 18.

11. Liability

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

12. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded to each fleet with five (5) boats or more. Participation awards will also be given to all competitors in the Optimist Green fleet.

13. Photographers and TV Rights

Competitors give absolute right and permission for any photographs or video footage taken of them or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever for editorial or advertising purposes, or to be used in press information.

14. Parking

Ample parking is available outside the main gate. Inside parking is reserved for regatta volunteers. Vehicles parked inside, blocking members' boats or trailers will be towed.

15. Coach Boats

Coach boats must use the city ramp which is located SW of the Sarasota Sailing Squadron.

16. Further Information

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Sarasota Youth Sailing

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Host Club:

Sarasota Sailing Squadron

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Sarasota, FL 34236

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NOTE:

This regatta will be a Sailor's for the Sea "Clean Regatta." As such, all competitors are encouraged to use non-single use water bottles and recycle all appropriate items. Competitors are reminded of rule 55, which states that competitors "shall not intentionally put trash in the water."

Accommodations

Camping is available on premise for a fee of \$10 per night. Please contact the Sarasota Sailing Squadron for information at 941.388.2355.

Lodging Options: regatta rate and block of rooms reserved until March 6, 2018

Coquina on the Beach- located near the SSS on Lido Key

1008 Benjamin Franklin Drive, Sarasota, Florida 34236

(941) 388-2141

Garden View Rooms @\$239/night plus tax and hotel fees

Poolside Rooms @ \$269/night plus tax and hotel fees

Hotel Indigo Sarasota- located in downtown Sarasota

1223 Boulevard of the Arts, Sarasota, Florida 34236

(941) 487-3800

@\$169.00/night plus tax and hotel fees