



NOTICE OF RACE
TEXAS SAILING ASSOCIATION YOUTH CIRCUIT REGATTA

SEAHORSE REGATTA

Lakewood Yacht Club
2322 Lakewood Yacht Club Drive, Seabrook, TX 77586

February 9-10, 2019

1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. "The Texas Youth Racing Circuit Conditions" apply and are available on the web site at <http://www.tx sail.org/> . A copy will also be available at the regatta site.
- 1.3. The rules for all classes are altered so that membership in a class organization is not required.
- 1.4. Racing Rules 61.1(a), Protest Requirements and Appendix A2, Scoring Systems are modified for this series. Racing Rule 49.1 is changed to allow the use of hiking pants.
- 1.5. All boats shall have sail numbers which match the registration form. Sail numbers meeting class standards are required.
- 1.6. Appendix P – Special Procedure for Rule 42 will apply to all fleets except Opti Green. However, P2.1 will apply for all penalties. P2.2 and P2.3 are deleted.

2. ADVERTISING:

- 2.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY:

- 3.1. *The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist, Laser (Full, Radial and 4.7) and Double-Handed (C420, I-420, FJ or other double handed boat). All classes are "bring your own boat" or arranged charter of FJs. A minimum of three boats is required to form a class. All boats shall have identifiable sail numbers. Sail numbers meeting class standards are encouraged.*
- 3.2. The regatta is open to all junior sailors who are less than twenty years old and who do not turn twenty years of age during this calendar year.
- 3.3. Optimists are sailed in four fleets:
Green Fleet: Open to all novice sailors under age 15 and through 12/31 of the calendar year in which they turn age 15
White Fleet: Age 10 and under
Blue Fleet: Age 11 – 12
Red Fleet: Age 13 – 15
- 3.4. For Optimist White, Blue and Red fleets, skipper's age on the first day of the regatta determines his or her fleet. Skippers move fleets on their 11th and 13th birthdays. Those turning 15 may continue in Red fleet through 12/31 of that year.

4. ENTRY FEE:

- 4.1. The entry fee is \$65 for single handed boats or \$130 for double-handed boats. The entry fee includes one regatta shirt, breakfast and lunch on Saturday and Sunday, and warm food for

dinner/snack after sailing on Saturday. Meal tickets will be available for non-competitors for an extra charge of \$20. Make all checks payable to Lakewood Yacht Club.

5. REGISTRATION AND CHECK IN:

- 5.1. Pre-Registration is encouraged and may be completed online at www.txsail.org
- 5.2. Registration and check-in at the regatta will be conducted on Saturday, February 9, 2019, between 0800 and 0900 in the LYC Seahorse Lounge. Execution of a Liability Release Agreement as set forth in the Registration Form shall be required. Parents are urged to provide a signed Medical Consent Form to enable other adults to obtain emergency medical services in the event of the parents' unavailability during the regatta.
- 5.3. All sailors are required to check in by 0900 on Saturday at the registration table, even if the sailor pre-registered online.

6. SCHEDULE:

- 6.1. Subject to the decisions of the Race Committee, six or more races are scheduled. One or more races will constitute a regatta. If five or more races are completed, there will be one throw out race for scoring purposes. If ten or more races are completed there will be one additional throw out – two total – for scoring purposes.
- 6.2. The schedule for the regatta is:

Friday, February 8, 2019

The Club will be open all day to allow unloading of boats. You may enjoy club facilities and use a credit card, just let them know you are registered for the regatta. There is a dress code for dining room but the lounge, bar and pool area are casual.

Saturday, February 9, 2019

0800-0900	Breakfast and Registration at the Seahorse Sailing Facility
0930	Skipper's Meeting - Attendance Mandatory
	Pick up lunches after meeting in Seahorse Lounge
1015	Harbor Start
1100	Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow
After racing	Dinner/Hot Snacks

Sunday, February 10, 2019

0800-0830	Breakfast
0830	Pick up lunches in the Seahorse Lounge
0915	Harbor Start
1000	Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow

- 6.3. No warning signal for a race will be given after 1330 on Sunday.
- 6.4. Attendance at the Skippers' Meeting held at 0930 on Saturday of the regatta in the Seahorse Lounge is mandatory.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

- 7.1. Sailing Instructions will be provided ONLINE at the TSA Website (txsail.org) and posted on the Notice Board.

8. VENUE:

- 8.1. Green Fleet races will be conducted on the waters of Clear Lake.
- 8.2. Opti RWB and Laser/420 races will be conducted on Galveston Bay.

- 9. COURSES:**
9.1. All fleets will typically sail windward/leeward, triangle, or Olympic courses.
- 10. SAFETY:**
10.1. A U.S. Coast Guard approved personal buoyancy device will be worn by all competitors while on the water. Wet or Dry suits are not considered adequate buoyancy devices for this purpose. All buoyancy devices shall be worn on the outside of all clothing.
- 11. DISCIPLINE :**
11.1. Per US SAILING Regulation 5.03 no contestant shall use, either on or off the water, during any Texas Sailing Association Junior event: marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in chapter 51 of the U.S. IRC Code and intended for beverage use). This regulation is in effect from date and time of arrival through date and time of departure from the locale. The penalty shall be that the contestant after a proper hearing, be immediately removed from the regatta venue and, where practical, sent home.
11.2. All competitors, coaches and parents are expected to maintain the highest level of conduct throughout the entire event. When the Protest Committee, from its own observation or a report received from any source believes that a competitor may have committed a breach of a rule, good manners, or sportsmanship, or may have brought the sport into disrepute, it may call a hearing. After a proper hearing the penalty may range from a reprimand to dismissal from the regatta and additional action may be taken under RRS 69.
11.3. Hearings related to 12.1 and 12.2 will be held generally in accordance with the recommendations of Appendix M5 of the RRS. The officers for hearing a violation will consist of the Chief Judge, acting as chairman of the hearing, the Protest Committee and the Chairman of the Texas Sailing Association Junior Committee or his or her designee in the event he or she is not present. The regatta chair shall serve ex officio as a nonvoting member of the panel and will have an open right to express his or her views during the course of the hearing process.
- 12. TROPHY PRESENTATION:**
12.1. Trophy presentations will be held on Sunday afternoon approximately one hour after the last race or when protest hearing(s) are completed.
- 13. FURTHER INFORMATION:**
13.1. For further information please contact Marie Wise at 713-419-5329 or sailmom@gmail.com

Thank You



