

NOTICE OF RACE

TEXAS SAILING ASSOCIATION YOUTH CIRCUIT REGATTA

THE 2019 ROADRUNNER REGATTA

and

2019 TEXAS JUNIOR LASER CHAMPIONSHIP

and

U.S. JUNIOR SAILING AREA F DOUBLE-HANDED CHAMPIONSHIP (BEMIS QUALIFER)

Austin Yacht Club, 5906 Beacon Drive, Austin, Texas 78734

Jun 8-9, 2019

1. RULES:

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS).

1.2 The following documents shall apply:

1.2.1 US Sailing Regulations 2.02, 4.02, 13, 14.04

1.2.2 US Sailing Regulation 10. An alleged breach of US Sailing Regulation 10 shall not be grounds for a protest by another boat; this changes rules 60.1(a), 60.2(a) and 60.3(a). However, when a protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached Regulation 10.03, it shall follow the process described in the Championships' Code of Conduct.

1.2.3 **The sections of the Conditions for the Junior Sailing Championship applicable to the Area Championship.**

1.2.4 US Sailing's SafeSport Handbook

1.2.5 US Sailing's Code of Conduct

1.2.6 The US Sailing Championship Support Vessel Policy. This will be a Grade 1 Coaching event.

1.3 RRS 40 is changed so that each competitor shall wear a USCG approved life jacket that is 100% dependent on foam for flotation and the appropriate size for the sailor, at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. (US Sailing Regulation 10.04) A violation of this instruction may be protested by race officials or a competitor; however an inadvertent and momentary breach of this instruction may receive a penalty less than disqualification at the discretion of the protest committee. This changes rule 64.1.

1.4 "The Texas Youth Racing Circuit Conditions" apply and are available on the web site at <http://www.txsail.org/> . A copy will also be available at the regatta site.

1.5 The rules for all classes are altered so that membership in a class organization is not required.

1.6 Racing Rules 61.1(a), Protest Requirements is modified as described in Section 16, and Appendix A2, Scoring Systems is modified as described in Section 11 for this series. Racing Rule 49.1 is changed to allow the use of hiking pants.

1.7 All boats shall have sail numbers which match the registration form. Sail numbers meeting class standards are encouraged.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1** The regatta is open to the following classes of boats: Optimist, Laser (Full, Radial and 4.7), C420. All classes are “bring your own boat.” A minimum of three boats is required to form a class.
- 2.2** 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.
- 2.3** Sailors competing in the Bemis Qualifier must have reached their 13th birthday but not their 19th birthday during the calendar year of competition.
- 2.4** Sailors competing in the Bemis Qualifier must be individual or family members, in good standing, of US Sailing at the time of registration and the event.
- 2.5** Sailors competing in the Bemis Qualifier must be eligible to compete under the laws, regulations, policies and rules of USOC or its affiliated organizations.
- 2.6** Sailors competing in the Bemis Qualifier must be a member of a Local Sailing Organization (LSO) that is a member of its Regional Sailing Association (RSA) and US Sailing. An LSO is defined to include a yacht club, sailing club, community sailing program or other sailing organization.
- 2.7** Sailors competing in the Bemis Qualifier shall reside in and regularly compete in the same RSA where the club is geographically located.
- 2.8** Optimists are sailed in four fleets:
 - 2.8.1** Green Fleet: Open to all novice sailors under age 15 and through 12/31 of the calendar year in which they turn age 15
 - 2.8.2** White Fleet: Age 10 and under
 - 2.8.3** Blue Fleet: Age 11 – 12
 - 2.8.4** Red Fleet: Age 13 – 15
 - 2.8.5** 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.

3. QUALIFICATION FOR THE AREA F DOUBLEHANDED CHAMPIONSHIP

- 3.1** The Bemis Qualifier will be sailed in the C420 Class. No other class will start with that class.
- 3.2** For the Bemis Qualifier, a minimum of five (5) boats are required to be both entered by the NOR registration deadline and on the starting line in order for the winners to move on.
- 3.3** Area F will qualify two (2) teams for both the doublehanded discipline.

- 4. TEXAS JUNIOR LASER CHAMPIONSHIP:** This regatta has been designated by the Texas Sailing Association as the “2019 Texas Junior Laser Championship” for the Laser Full Rig, Laser Radial and Laser 4.7 classes.

5. ENTRY FEE

- 5.1** The entry fee is \$65 for each sailor, whether in single or double-handed boats. A late fee of \$10.00 will be added to all entries after June 5. The entry fee includes one regatta give-away and the following meals for each sailor: breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday and breakfast and lunch on Sunday. Meal tickets will be available for non-competitors for an extra charge of \$25. Make all registration checks payable to Austin Yacht Club.
- 5.2** There are a limited number of Optimist available for charter with a \$30 charter fee. Please contact Spencer LeGrande at **512-266-1336** spencer@austinyachtclub.net

6. REGISTRATION AND CHECK IN:

- 6.1 Pre-registration is extremely helpful for the event planners and is highly encouraged. Please complete your registration at txsail.org
- 6.2 Sailors competing in the Bemis Qualifiers **MUST** complete registration by 11:59 pm, Wednesday, June 5, 2019 at the latest. Payment is required for a registration to be complete.
- 6.3 Registration and check-in at the regatta will be conducted on Saturday, June 8, between 8:00 am and 9:00 am in the AYC Clubhouse. 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.
- 6.4 All sailors are **required to check in** by 9:00 am on Saturday at the registration table, even if the sailor pre-registered by mail or other means.

7. SCHEDULE:

- 7.1 Subject to the decisions of the Race Committee, six or more races are scheduled.
- 7.2 The schedule for the regatta is:

Friday, Jun 7, 2018

1000-1930	Club will be open to allow unloading of boats.
1800-1930	Competitor Check-In and Support Boat Registration

Saturday, Jun 8, 2019

0800-0900	Breakfast and Registration
0930	Skipper's Meeting at the Clubhouse - Attendance Mandatory
1100	Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow Lunch on the water
After Racing	Dinner

Sunday, Jun 9, 2019

0730-0900	Breakfast
1000	Preparatory Signal for the first race, additional races to follow Lunch on the water
1400	No first warning signal after this time
After Racing	Snack and Awards ceremony

8. MEASUREMENT

Each boat shall comply with the equipment measurement rules of its class and may be inspected for compliance at any time during the regatta at the discretion of the Protest Committee.

9. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:** Sailing Instructions will be provided at registration and at the Skipper's Meeting. If published in time, they may also be posted on the TSA website.

10. **VENUE:** Races will be conducted on the waters of Lake Travis in proximity to the AYC point.

11. SCORING

- 11.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply with the following changes:
- 11.2 For the RoadRunner and TX State Champs, one (1) race will constitute a series.

11.3 For the Bemis Qualifier, three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.4 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11.5 When five (5) or more races but less than ten (10) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scored excluding her worst score. If ten (10) races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race score excluding her two worst scores.

11.6 Up to 10 races are scheduled all classes.

12. SPECTATOR BOATS

Spectator boats are to register by 9:00 am, Saturday, June 8. Spectator boats are to comply with applicable terms in US Sailing's Coaching and Support Boat Policy. See 1.2.6 for a link to this document

13. COACHING

13.1 The Bemis Qualifier is a Grade 1 Event as defined in the US Sailing Championship Support Vessel Policy. See 1.2.6 for a link to this document.

13.2 All coaches and/or support personnel shall register by 9:00 am, Saturday, June 8.

13.3 Registered coaches at Area Championships are required to have US Sailing Smallboat Level 1 instructor certification.

14. All coaches shall wear PFDs while on the water

15. EQUIPMENT

15.1 The only gear, rigging, or equipment that a competitor may take aboard a boat is: a refillable water bottle, class-legal compass, watches, flags, plastic bucket or bailer, normally equipped ditty-bag, personal effects, PFDs and protective clothing. For the Doublehanded discipline, competitors may also bring aboard their personal trapeze harness.

15.2 GPS devices of all varieties, styles and combinations and VHF radios are specifically banned.

16. DISCIPLINE :

16.1 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.

16.2 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.

16.3 Hearings will be held generally in accordance with the recommendations of Appendix M3 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.

17. CONDUCT OF COMPETITORS

All competitors are expected to maintain the highest levels of conduct throughout the entire event. Enforcement of discipline and conduct will be conducted as per RRS 69, and the policies and procedures of US Sailing

18. TROPHY PRESENTATION: Trophy presentations will be held on Sunday afternoon approximately one hour after the last race or when protest hearing(s) are completed.

19. LODGING: Please refer to the Facilities Section of the AYC website: www.austinyachtclub.com

20. DIRECTIONS TO THE CLUB: Please refer to the Contact Us Section of the AYC website: www.austinyachtclub.net

21. FURTHER INFORMATION: For further information please contact:

Jeff Brock 808-639-3534 jeffbrock@me.com or
Mary Carew, 512-796-7841, mary@carewcontact.com

Accommodation Information: Cabins and limited RV spots are available for rental on a first-come, first-serve basis, please contact the AYC office. Camping is free and encouraged.

Please note that fireworks, open fires, drones, and pets are not allowed on AYC property. All motorized vehicles must be fully registered and licensed and must obey all AYC posted speed limits. AYC is committed to prevent the spread of invasive species, and asks all boat owners, whether they have sailboats, motorboats, kayaks, to clean their bilges and trailers when coming from another lake to Lake Travis, and when leaving Lake Travis headed to another lake.

The Gate Code for this event will be 0608. Please do not share this code on social media.