

# Hyannis Yacht Club Youth Invitational Wednesday August 7 and Thursday, August 8, 2024



## NOTICE OF RACE

*The Hyannis Yacht Club is Organizing Authority*

The notation **[DP]** in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

The notation **[NP]** in a rule means that it shall not be grounds for protest by a boat.

### 1. Rules

**1.1** The Regatta will be governed by **The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)**.

**1.2** All competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard approved Personal Flotation Device at all times while afloat except for brief times while clothing may be changed, added, or removed.

**1.3** Specific instructions regarding boat/trailer arrival times and parking can be found at [www.hyannisyachtclub.org/racing](http://www.hyannisyachtclub.org/racing). All boats should be dropped off between 1600 and 2000 on Tuesday August 6, 2024 or after 0700 on Wednesday August 7, 2024. These instructions are rules and must be followed by all competitors and support personnel.

**[DP]1.4** All competitors and support personnel shall comply with the parking, launching and hauling, and support boat regulations, and reasonable requests from regatta officials. The competitor and the boat with which he/she is associated may be protested by the Race Committee and penalized at the discretion of the Protest Committee, which may include disqualification, for breaches of this rule.

#### **[DP]1.5 Hyannis Harbor Shipping Channel Special Rule**

The sailing instructions contain very specific instructions regarding transit to and from the racing areas. These instructions shall be followed by all competitors. The competitor and the boat which he/she is associated may be protested by the race committee and penalized at the discretion of the protest committee, which may include disqualification for breaches of this rule.

**1.6 ILCA Class** All ILCA 4 and ILCA 6 competitors will race and be scored as one class.

Rig swapping will be permitted on a daily basis. Competitors shall sail with the rig size they start the first race of the day with unless given permission to switch by the race committee.

### 2. Eligibility

**2.1** The Regatta is open to all eligible boats in the following classes:

Optimist Green (50 boat cap)

Optimist Championship-Red, Blue and White

C420

ILCA 4 and ILCA 6

**2.2** All sailors must not have reached their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday as of December 31, 2024 to be eligible to compete.

**2.3** Sailors in the Optimist class must not have reached their 15<sup>th</sup> birthday as of December 31, 2024 to be eligible to compete.

**2.4** A minimum of eight (8) boats may be required for a One-Design start.

**2.5 C420 Class**-If there are sixty (60) or more boats registered the Organizing Authority may divide the class into four (4) fleets and race them in a rotational round robin format.

**2.6 Optimist Championship Class**-If there are sixty (60) or more boats registered for the combined Red, White and Blue Fleets, the Organizing Authority may divide the class into fleets and conduct races with flights in a rotational round robin format.

2.7 **C420 and Optimist Championship Classes Red, White and Blue**-Eligible competitors, the scores from this regatta will be part of the Southern Massachusetts Sailing Association 2024 Grand Prix Series.

### 3. Registration

- 3.1 Registration for this event can be found at <http://www.clubspot.com>
- 3.2 **Registration deadline is Friday, August 2, 2024 after which a \$30 per person late fee will be charged. No registration will be accepted after 1200 Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Walk-ins will not be accepted on the day of the regatta.**
- 3.3 Medical Consent Forms are available to download at <http://www.clubspot.com> and must be completed, and payment received, in order for entry to be considered complete.
- 3.4 Entry Fee: **\$100 per person for C420, ILCA and Optimists.** There will be no refunds after Friday, August 2, 2024. The Clubspot fees will be deducted from all refunds.
- 3.5 Breakfast and Lunch will be provided for all competitors, coaches, and volunteers.

### 4. Schedule of Events

#### Tuesday, August 6, 2024

- 1200 Registration Deadline
- 1600-2000 Parking lot open for boat drop-off

#### Wednesday, August 7, 2024

- 0700 Parking lot open for boat drop-off
- 0800-0900 Check-in for competitors and coaches open, inside, first floor, Scudder Room
- 0845 Coaches Meeting, on the beach
- 0900 Skippers Meeting, C420, ILCA and Optimist Classes, on the beach
- 0930 Harbor Start, C420, ILCA and Optimist Championship Classes  
Skippers Meeting, Optimist Green Class, on the beach
- 1000 Harbor Start Optimist Green Class
- 1015 Warning Optimist Championship Class
- 1030 Warning C420, ILCA Classes
- 1045 Warning Optimist Green Class
- 1400 **No Warning to be signaled for the Optimist Green Class after this time**
- 1500 **Approximate time for Optimist Green Fleet Debrief on the Beach**

#### Thursday, August 8, 2024

- 0745 Coaches' Meeting, on the beach
- 0800 Skippers' Meeting C420, ILCA and Optimist Championship Classes, on the beach
- 0830 Harbor Start C420, ILCA and Optimist Championship Classes  
Skippers Meeting Optimist Green Class, on the beach
- 0900 Harbor Start Optimist Green Class
- 0915 Warning Optimist Championship Class
- 0930 Warning C420, ILCA Classes
- 0945 Warning Optimist Green Class
- 1330 No warning to be signaled for the Optimist Green Class after this time
- 1400 No Warning to be signaled for the C420, ILCA and Optimist Championship Classes after this time

**Awards Ceremony will be conducted as soon as possible at the conclusion of racing**

### 5. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available at <http://www.clubspot.com> and at check-in.

### 6. Venue and Racing Areas

- 6.1 There will be three (3) separate racing areas. See the sailing instructions for course locations.  
**Opti Green Class**-south side of Lewis Bay, east of the Hyannis Harbor shipping channel

**Opti Championship Class**—north side of Lewis Bay, east of the Hyannis Harbor shipping channel

**C420 Class, ILCA**-south of the Hyannis Port Breakwater on Nantucket Sound **Hyannis Harbor, located just inside the Hyannis Port Breakwater, or Lewis Bay** may be used as a race area in the event there are safety concerns.

## 7. Courses

7.1 Courses will be windward/leeward, triangle or combination of both.

## 8. Scoring

8.1 **Appendix A** Low point scoring system shall apply.

8.2 When four (4) or fewer races are completed a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores. When five (5) or more races are completed a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. **This modifies RRS A2.1**

8.3 **Time Limit Expired (TLE)** is added as a scoring abbreviation. **This changes RRS A4, A5 and A10.**

8.4 As many races as practical will be conducted during this regatta.

8.3 One race shall constitute a series.

## 9. Penalty System

9.1 The penalty system for all classes shall be **RRS Appendix V ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES.**

## 9. SUPPORT AND COACH BOATS

9.1 All support boats and coaches shall register with the volunteer patrol boat desk prior to the first competitor's meeting.

9.2 All support boats and coaches are required to carry a working VHF radio and monitor the Race Committee channel for the racing area they are on.

[DP]9.3 All coach and support boats use of ECO Link (aka Kill Switch)

Operators of power boats less than 26ft in length shall use ECO (aka kill switch) at all times when the engine is running except when docking or launching.

## 10. Prizes

10.1 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place prizes will be awarded for all classes.

10.2 Participation awards will be given to all Optimist Green fleet sailors.

10.3 Prizes for sportsmanship may also be awarded.

10.4 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.

## 11. Responsibility & Liability

11.1 Specific attention is directed to the following Fundamental Rules:

**RRS 1.1 - Helping Those in Danger.** A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any, person or vessel in danger applies to coaches as well as competitors. All coach boats shall provide assistance to any competitor in distress or in the event of an emergency.

11.2 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in these events are participating entirely at their own risk. The race organizers (Organizing Authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in these events, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation, to the fullest extent permitted by law. **See RRS3 Decision to Race**

11.3 By participating in this Series, each competitor grants to the Organizing Authority 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 or other reproductions of him or her made during the period of the races without compensation.

**12. Contact**

**13.1** For more information contact: Sailing Program Director, [sailmaster@hyannis yachtclub.org](mailto:sailmaster@hyannis yachtclub.org),  
or Emily Mezzetti, HYC General Manager, [gm@hyannis yachtclub.org](mailto:gm@hyannis yachtclub.org).

**13.2** For directions, or additional information, visit our website at [www.hyannis yachtclub.org](http://www.hyannis yachtclub.org).