

NOTICE OF RACE

July 22-24, 2019

Marblehead, Massachusetts

The organizing authority (OA) is the Pleon Yacht Club, supported by Boston, Corinthian, Eastern, and Manchester Yacht Clubs

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. Competitors are required to wear a appropriate self buoyant PFD with whistle attached at all times while launching boats, on the floats, or on the water, except temporarily while adding or removing clothing. This changes RRS 40.
- 1.3. Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.
- 1.4. Appendix P except for P2.2 and P2.3 will apply (Green Fleets excluded).

2. ELIGIBILITY

2.1. Skippers shall not have reached their 19th birthday as of December 31, 2019.

3. CLASSES

- 3.1. Club 420 (Championship and Green fleets), Laser, Laser Radial, Laser 4.7 and Optimist (Red, White, Blue and Green fleets). Additional fleets may be added at the discretion of the OA.
- 3.2. The minimum number of entries for any class to receive a start is five (5) boats unless approved by the OA.
- 3.3. The number of boats registered for any fleet will not exceed eighty (80) boats unless approved by the OA.
- 3.4. On July 15, 2019 competitors in fleets that do not have five or more entrants will be notified that their fleet is canceled, and a full refund of all fees paid will be made.
- 3.5. The Club 420 Green fleet's use of spinnakers will be determined on a race by race basis by the Race Committee.
- 3.6. Competitors in the Area A Smythe Trophy Qualifiers must refer to the separate Notice of Race for that event available at www.pleon.org and www.ussailing.org.

4. ENTRY

- 4.1. All entries must complete Registration and agree to the Medical Consent, Code of Conduct, and Waiver of Liability statements.
- 4.2. Online registration at either www.pleon.org or https://www.regattatoolbox.com/eventList#upcoming is available until Sunday, July 21 at 7:00pm. Registrations may be accepted in person on Sunday, July 21 from 4:00pm to 7:00pm at the Check-In desk. Registrations may be accepted after Sunday, July 21 at 7:00pm solely at the discretion of the OA.

5. FEES

- 5.1. Discounted registration is \$115 per person until July 19 at noon.
- 5.2. Regular registration is \$125 per person from July 19 at noon to July 21 at 7:00pm.
- 5.3. No refunds will be made after July 15.
- 5.4. Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be provided daily (no dinner on July 24). One branded Regatta item will be provided per registrant.

6. HOUSING

- 1. Limited housing is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Requests for housing must be made by July 15 at 11:59pm and shall require a completed registration including payment. Housing is offered on a best-effort basis only, and is not guaranteed to be available.
- 2. Those requesting housing should do so via this link: http://bit.ly/MJRWHousing. For more information about housing contact Jocelyn at jrwhousing@pleon.org. Clubs that have more than four (4) sailors requesting housing are requested to contact the housing coordinator as early as possible to let us know how many you expect to send. Placement on the list for housing will not be secure until the participant's regatta registration and payment is complete.
- 3. All sailors with confirmed housing must follow the Housing Code of Conduct including arrival at the host family on July 21 by 7:30pm or on July 22 between 9:00am and 10:30am. Late arrivals must find alternate accommodations and will not be housed for Sunday night.
- 4. For a list of local Inns and B&B's visit, https://discovermhd.com/stay/. Pleon Yacht Club cannot provide housing for parents.

No camping is permitted on yacht club grounds. Extended groups, teams, or families may secure local dorm housing at Salem State University. Please contact Debra Melnick at 978-542-7173

7. CHECK-IN

- 7. Check in will be at the Pleon Yacht Club at 42 Foster St. Marblehead, MA on Sunday, July 21 from 4:00pm to 7:00pm and on Monday, July 22 from 8:00am to 9:30am.
- 7.1. All competitors must personally present themselves at check in to be scored in the regatta.
- 7.2. **Absolutely no boats** may be dropped off on the club grounds before Sunday, July 21 at 3:00pm. Trailers may be stored at Riverhead Beach (opposite 105 Ocean Ave.). No trailers shall be stored on Eastern or Pleon Yacht Club grounds.

8. SCHEDULE

Races are scheduled for July 22, 23, and 24. Harbor Start will be on Monday, July 24 at 12:00 noon following the required skipper's meeting. On subsequent days, the Harbor Start will not be sounded before 9:30 am. Multiple races are planned each day. For those racing in the 420 fleets and the Optimist Championship fleet, the maximum number of races will be 12. The Laser fleet may sail a maximum of 15 races. There is no limit on the number of races for the Optimist Green fleet.

The Opti Green fleet will have a delayed harbor start following their individual skippers meeting each day. Monday's skippers meeting will extend beyond the general skippers meeting by one half hour. Tuesday's and Wednesday's skippers meetings will be at 9:30am with the harbor start to follow.

9. SKIPPER'S MEETING

- 9.1. The skipper's meeting is mandatory and will be held on Monday, July 22 at 11:00am under the tent.
- 9.2. On Tuesday and Wednesday the Opti Green fleet will have mandatory skippers meetings at 9:30am.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

10.1. Sailing instructions will be available at check-in and posted online at www.pleon.org & www.regattatoolbox.com.

11. VENUE

- 11.1. Multiple racing areas will be located in Salem Sound just outside of Marblehead Harbor.
- 11.2. A course location map will be provided at check-in.

12. COURSES

12.1. Courses will be described in the sailing instructions.

13. SCORING

- 13.1. The Low Point System, RRS A4, will apply, modified so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, with her worst score discarded if six or more races have been completed.
- 13.2. One race will constitute a regatta.
- 13.3. Overall fleet scoring will be used to determine white, blue and red fleet positions for the Optimist Championship class.

14. COACHES AND SUPPORT BOATS

- 14.1. Support boats and coach boats shall register with On-Water Safety and display issued flags when operating near the race areas.
- 14.2. Coaches are required to register their contact information with registration personnel at check-in.
- 14.3. Coaches intending to operate their own boats must register with On-Water Safety and shall display issued flags when operating near the race areas.

15. PRIZES

15.1. Regatta awards will be determined by the size of each fleet.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

16.1. Visit the Pleon web site at www.pleon.org or email jrw@pleon.org or call Pleon at 781-631-1076