



**2017 Octoberfest Regatta
September 16-17, 2017
Sail Sand Point, Seattle, WA
Notice of Race**

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing, as modified by the NWYRC Notice of Series, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions for this Regatta.
- 1.2 Class rules shall be observed and enforced by the competitors, except that competitors may use a "club sail" in place of a class approved sail, provided it is of the same dimensions, of similar construction, and provides no added advantage.
- 1.3 In the event of a protest, boats are exempted from displaying a red flag (this modifies Opti Class rules). These changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 This regatta is open to boats of the FJ (non-spinnaker), 29er (high performance), Laser (4.7, Radial, Full Rig), and Opti (Red, White, Blue and Green Fleet) classes, whose crew(s) also meet the eligibility requirements defined in the NWYRC Notice of Series. The age Rules of the Optimist Class shall also apply.
- 2.2 Fleets must have three (3) boats registered to qualify for a start.
- 2.3 Classes not mentioned above with at least three (3) boats sailed by eligible NWYRC competitors may petition for entry by advance request and are subject to the same registration dates.
- 2.4 All sailors must be registered with the NWYRC. [Register at www.nwyouthsailing.org](http://www.nwyouthsailing.org) for FREE.

3 REGISTRATION & ENTRY

- 3.1 Online pre-registration is strongly encouraged. Entries not received by 5:00pm Friday, September 15th will be subject to day-of registration. Day-of registration will be available on-site Saturday, September 16th from 9:30 to 11:00am. Registration link: <https://www.regattatoolbox.com/eventDetails?eventID=qHulhDhEk6>
- 3.2 An entry fee of \$40 per participant (\$55 for day-of registrations) will apply. The cost for Opti Green Fleet is \$20.
- 3.3 Entry fee provides participants with two days of racing, lunch both days, dinner Saturday night, light meal Sunday afternoon, a t-shirt, and prizes. Extra dinner tickets/T-shirts may be purchased online using the registration link, or on Saturday at a cost of \$10/ticket, \$15/T-shirt.

4 SCHEDULE (all times approximate and subject to change)

Saturday, Sept. 16, 2017		Sunday, Sept. 17, 2017	
9:30am-11:00am	Registration / rigging	8:00am-10:00am	Report time / rigging
11:00am	Skipper's Meeting	10:00am	First Warning
12:00 noon	First Warning	3:00pm	No starts after this time
6:00pm (appx)	Dinner	4:00pm (appx)	Award ceremony

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Sailing instructions will be available for pick up Saturday morning at the registration table.

6 VENUE

- 6.1 Registration, meals, skipper's meeting, awards, and boat launching will all take place at Sail Sand Point, on the north shore of Magnuson Park, at **7861 62nd Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98115**.

- 6.2 Race courses will be located in northern Lake Washington, accessible by launching at Sail Sand Point. Sailors must be ready to launch promptly after the skipper's meeting.
- 6.3 The Opti Champ and Opti Green fleets will have their own separate race course.

7 NUMBER OF RACES

- 7.1 For all classes, except green fleet, 12 races are scheduled during the two-day regatta, conditions permitting.
- 7.2 A minimum of one race shall constitute a regatta.

8 SCORING

- 8.1 The Low-Point Scoring System as described in the Racing Rules of Sailing "Appendix A" and as detailed in the Sailing Instructions will apply.
- 8.2 Results of this Regatta will count toward the 2017 NWYRC Summer Series.

9 COACHING & SPECTATOR BOATS

- 9.1 Coaching on the water is permitted between races. After the warning signal for a given race, coaching shall cease until a sailor has finished the race. To avoid interference with boats still racing, sailors shall be required to sail at least 75 feet away from the finish line when meeting with support boats.
- 9.2 Coaching while racing is permitted in cases when novice racers are slowing the progress of the regatta. Coaches shall only coach the back 10% of the fleet if this is the case, except in Opti Green Fleet where direct coaching is encouraged.
- 9.3 Support and spectator boats must carry a working VHF radio and be ready to provide assistance to competitors if hailed.

10 SAFETY

- 10.1 Competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard (USCG) approved personal flotation device (PFD) while on the water other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing.
- 10.2 Competitors shall carry a bowline of at least 20' to be used for towing if necessary.

11 BOAT STORAGE

- 11.1 Boats may be stored at Sail Sand Point over Friday and Saturday night on the beach near the boat launch. Trailers may be stored over Friday and Saturday night in the designated area of the parking lot.

12 PRIZES

- 12.1 Prizes will be awarded to the skippers and crews of the top three finishers in each eligible class.
- 12.2 Overall awards presentation for the 2017 NWYRC shall take place immediately after the awards ceremony for this regatta.

13 CHARTERS

- 13.1 There will be a limited number of charters available for this regatta. Boats will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. There is a \$25/day charter fee (**no fee for Opti charters**). A charter agreement must be signed and sailors are expected to return the boats in good working order at the conclusion of the regatta. Contact Nino Johnson at nino@sailsandpoint.org for charter information.

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 14.1 For further information, please contact SSP at info@sailsandpoint.org or 206-525-8782.