

August 9 & 10, 2017
Harraseeket Yacht Club
South Freeport, Maine

420's

PRELIMINARY-2017 (final upon day of event)

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. In order to promote fair and equitable sailing, all racers will use sails that are legal according to the Club 420 class rules with certain exceptions. Specifically:

Rule 5.1 (aka official class builder rule) will not be required.

There is no need for national letters on main sails.

Royalty patches will not be required.

Loose-footed mains will not be allowed (5.6 sails should not be oversized).

The HYC 420 Race Committee, at its sole discretion, will have the right to measure any sail to insure its compliance with size, material, or volume. The Race Committee will have the final say on what is a compliant sail. There will be no avenue for appeal.

As always, the Harraseeket Yacht Club wants to insure that all sailors who want to participate in the event can. To that end, the Club will gladly lend any sailor a suit of sails for the competition. The above sail limitations are not aimed at keeping sailors and clubs away, but are in place to provide the fairest platform for friendly competition.

2. Entries: Eligible crews may be entered by completing registration with the organizing authority and paying the entry fee to HYC before the start of the event.

3. Notices to Competitors: Notices to competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board located inside the HYC clubhouse near the registration desk.

4. Changes to Sailing Instructions: Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hours on the day before it will take effect.

5. Signals Made Ashore: Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located outside.

6. Schedule of Races

6.1. A competitors meeting will be held inside the HYC clubhouse:

Wednesday: 420's @ 9:30 am (harbor start 10:00am)

Thursday: No competitors meeting, harbor start 9:30am.

6.2. The schedule time for the first race:

Wednesday: 420's @ 11:00am

Thursday: 420's @ 10:30am

6.3. Subsequent races will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race.

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- 6. Schedule of Races:**
 - 6.1.** A competitors meeting will be held inside the HYC clubhouse
Wednesday: Opti's @ 9:45 (harbor start 10:15am)
Thursday: No competitors meeting, Opti's harbor start 9am
 - 6.2.** The scheduled time for the first race
Wed: Opti's @ 11:15am
Thursday: Opti's @ 10:00am
 - 6.3.** Subsequent races will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race.
- 7. Class Racing Area**
 - 7.1.** The Opti Championship racing area will be outside of the harbor East of Pound of Tea and the R"4" flasher. The distance from the dock to the racing area is approximately 1.4 nautical miles.
 - 7.2.** The Opti Green Fleet will be outside of the harbor south of Pound of Tea and south of the R"4" flasher. Distance from the dock to the racing area is approximately 1.2 nautical miles.
 - 7.3.** HYC will provide each Opti Championship division their respective Red, White or Blue flag streamer to be attached to the sprit loop at the top of it's sail at check-in. Green fleet Opti will be issued a green streamer.

8. Courses

- 8.1.** All boats must check in with the race committee boat before the start of the first race of each day, and check out on shore at the end of each day.
- 8.2.** The diagrams in Illustration "1" show the courses
- 8.3.** The courses will be windward-leeward, triangles or trapezoids. The course will be designated by dry erase board on the committee boat and verbal hail.
- 8.4.** Changing the Course After the Start – To maintain a course configuration or change course length, marks may be moved as necessary, but no mark shall be moved when any boat is on the leg that it terminates.
- 8.5.** After the start, the race committee may shorten the course. If the race committee signals a shortened course (displays flag S with two sounds), the finishing line shall be at a rounding mark, between the mark and a staff displaying flag S. The shortened course shall be signaled before the first boat crosses the finishing line.

9. Marks:

- 9.1.** Marks will be inflatable balls or tetrahedrons.
- 9.2.** The starting and finish marks will be between the staff of the green or orange flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the mark to port of the committee boat.

10. The Start

- 10.1.** Opti's will be using a 3-minute starting sequence (Appendix S). The Opti race committee will hail which fleet is in sequence and fly a green flag for the green fleet and a purple flag for the championship fleet.
- 10.2.** A series of short sound signals will be made within one minute of the start of the starting sequence.
- 10.3.** Boats will not start later than four minutes after their starting signal.
- 10.4.** Opti's Closed Gate: Opti's are NOT ALLOWED to pass through the starting line during a leg of the race.
- 10.5.** Opti's whose 3-minute signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting line and of all Opti's whose signal has been made.

11. Recalls: The race committee intends to hail the sail numbers of OCS boats after the starting signal. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, an untimely hail of OCS boats, failure to hail any boats, and the order of the boats in the hail shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes rules 41 and 62.1.

12. Penalty System: Rules 44.1 and 44.2 exoneration by turns shall apply.

13. Time Limit

- 13.1.** The time limit for each race will be 60 minutes for the first boat to finish. The race committee, in its sole discretion, may waive the time limit if it deems the waiver to be appropriate for any reason.

- 13.2.** Boats still racing 25 minutes after the first boat finishes, and not thereafter retiring, being penalized or given redress, will be scored time limit expired (TLE) and will be assigned scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus one point. This changes rules 35 and A5.
- 13.3.** If a boat(s) in or near last place in a race is/are unduly delaying the start of another race, the race committee may terminate the race and score those boats in the place they would have finished based on their position at the time the race is terminated.

14. Protests and Requests for Redress

- 14.1.** A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the race committee finish boat of her intention, including the sail number of the boat(s) being protested when finishing the race. This changes RRS 61.1(a).
- 14.2.** Protests shall be in writing, forms available at the registration desk, and delivered to the Race committee officer within one hour after the race committee boat docks.
- 14.3.** The protest time limit and a list of protests will be posted on the official notice board within 15 minutes of the end of protest time. This posting constitutes the notification required in RRS 61.1(b) and 63.2
- 14.4.** A boat is not permitted to protest another boat for breaking sailing instructions 17 and/or 18.1. This changes RRS 60.1(a). The penalty for breaking these instructions may be less than disqualification from the regatta at the discretion of the protest committee.

- 15. Scoring:** The *LowPoint Scoring System*, RRS A2 will apply, modified so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with her one worst score discarded if 6 or more races have been completed. One race shall be completed to constitute a series.

- 16. Disposal of Trash:** Boats observed purposefully discharging trash into the water will either be disqualified from all races sailed on the day the infraction is observed, or be subject to other suitable disciplinary action or both.

17. Safety Regulations

- 17.1** All competitors shall wear, while on the water, a U.S. (or Canadian) Coast Guard approved PFD.
- 17.2** A boat retiring from a race shall notify a race committee boat before leaving the course, or, when that is impossible, on-shore race personnel immediately after arrival ashore.

18. Sail Numbers: Please ensure your sail number is legible. If not, we reserve the right to place that sailor at the end of each cluster of boats as they cross the finish line for each race. Very difficult to read block numbers, especially if they are overlapped on both sides of the sails. Here are some guidelines:

http://www.optiworld.org/uploaded_files/Get%20your%20Sail%20Numbers%20right!.pdf_2528_en.pdf

http://www.optiworld.org/uploaded_files/IODA_SailIdentification_20160328.pdf_2529_en.pdf

19. Prizes: Trophies will be awarded to sailors finishing in the top three positions within the Opti Championship divisions Red, White, and Blue. Green Fleet will be awarded participation awards, and with recognition to the top 3.

Signal Flags



INDIVIDUAL RECALL



GENERAL RECALL



“I” FLAG INDICATING ROUND-the-ENDS RULE 30.1



AP: POSTPONEMENT

GREEN FLEET STARTING SEQUENCE

CHAMPIONSHIP FLEET STARTING SEQUENCE

Tide Information- South Freeport August 2017

DATE	HIGH				LOW				☀️		🌙
	AM	ft	PM	ft	AM	ft	PM	ft	RISE	SET	MOON
9 Wed	12:46	9.9	1:17	9.1	7:02	-0.1	7:10	0.6	5:37	7:53	☾
10 Thu	1:24	10.0	1:54	9.3	7:38	-0.2	7:50	0.4	5:38	7:52	☾